

STATE OF VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES 120 STATE STREET Montpelier, VT 05603-0001

APPLICATION FOR <u>FLEET</u> LIGHT PERMIT

IMPORTANT! ONLY <u>ONE</u> TYPE OF LIGHT PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED PER VEHICLE.

1	TYPE OF LIGHT PERMIT DESIRED:	DO NOT WRITE IN THE SPACE BELOW
	☐ Siren & Red or Red & White (R) ☐ Siren & Blue or Blue & White (B)	RECEIPT LINE:
2	TYPE OF VEHICLE:	
	☐ Municipal (J)☐ Volunteer (J)☐ State (K)	PID:COMMENT: FLEET PERMIT R or B
3	REGISTERED OWNER:	(circle one)
	Organization Name:	INSTRUCTIONS: Please type or print in INK.
	Street:	Sect. 1 - Check type of light desired. Sect. 2 - Check type of vehicle.
	City:State:Zip:	Sect. 3 - Give the full name and mailing address of the registered owner (organization)i.e. Town of Middlesex or Middlesex Volunteer Fire Department. If registered under multiple names, an application for each has to be completed. Sect. 4 - Organizations appointed authority. If a RED light is being applied for, the authorization must be completed by and include the signature of the Department Head or Chief of Fire, Ambulance, or Rescue organization.
4	FLEET LIGHT AUTHORIZATION & CERTIFICATION	
	Organization Name (PRINT):	
	Rank/Title:	
	Street:	If a BLUE light is being applied for, the authorization must be completed by and include the signature of the
	City:State:Zip:	Department Head, Sheriff or Chief of the law enforcement agency. (Include applicant's title i.e., deputy sheriff or volunteer fireman.) Sign and date this application or application will not be processed.
signal lamps shall be installed and operated in accordance with 23 V.S.A. Sections 201,202 1050, 1251, 1253, 1255.		For Information, Please Call Registration/License Information Unit at (802)-828-2000 Telecommunications Relay Service:
	(Signature) (Date)	-Vermont is an Equal Opportunity Employer- TA-VP-22A (d) INTERNET 06/02 VC

NOTE: LIGHT PERMITS ARE NOW TRANSFERABLE.

EXCERPTS FROM 23 V.S.A.:

§ 1050. Operation on approach of emergency vehicles

- (a) Upon the approach of a law enforcement vehicle which is sounding a siren or displaying a blue or blue and white signal lamp or both, all other vehicles shall pull to the right of the lane of traffic and come to a complete stop, until such law enforcement vehicle has passed, or until signaled by an enforcement officer; and provided further, that upon the approach of ambulances, fire apparatus, vehicles owned by volunteer firemen, and motor vehicles used in rescue operations as set forth in section 1252 of this title, which are sounding a siren or displaying a red signal lamp, or both, all other vehicles shall pull to the right of the lane of traffic and come to a complete stop until such emergency vehicle has passed. Whenever enforcement officers are stationed, they shall have full power to regulate traffic irrespective of the foregoing provisions.
- (b) This section does not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the highway.

§ 1251. Sirens and colored signal lamps

No motor vehicle shall be operated upon a highway of this state equipped with a siren or signal lamp colored other than amber unless a permit authorizing such equipment, issued by the commissioner of motor vehicles, is carried in the vehicle. The commissioner may adopt additional rules as may be required to govern the acquisition of permits and the use pertaining to sirens and colored signal lamps.

§ 1252. Uses of sirens or colored lamps or both

- (a) When satisfied as to the condition and use of the vehicle, the commissioner shall issue and may revoke, for cause, permits for sirens or colored signal lamps in the following manner:
- (1) Sirens or blue and white signal lamps, or a combination of these, for all law enforcement vehicles, owned or leased by, a law enforcement agency or certified law enforcement officer and if the applicant is a constable, the application shall be accompanied by a certification by the town clerk that the applicant is a duly elected or appointed constable and attesting that the town has not voted to limit the constable's authority to engage in enforcement activities under 24 V.S.A. § 1936a.
- (2) Sirens and red or red and white signal lamps for all ambulances, fire apparatus, vehicles owned or leased by, or provided to volunteer firemen and voluntary rescue squad members, including a vehicle owned by a volunteer's employer when the volunteer has the written authorization of the employer to use the vehicle for emergency fire or rescue activities and motor vehicles, used solely in rescue operations.
- (3) No vehicle may be authorized a permit for more than one of the combinations described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection.
- (4) Notwithstanding subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, no motor vehicle, other than one owned by the applicant, shall be issued a permit until such time as the commissioner can adequately record the information regarding both the owner of the vehicle and the applicant for the permit.
- (b) Amber signal lamps shall be used on road maintenance vehicles, service vehicles, and wreckers and shall be used on all registered snow removal equipment when in use removing snow on public highways and the amber lamps shall be mounted so as to be visible from all sides of the motor vehicle. A vehicle equipped with an amber signal lamp may not be issued a permit for the installation and use of a siren.
- (5) Upon application to the commissioner, the commissioner may issue a single permit for all the vehicles owned or leased by the applicant.

§ 1253. Inspection of permits

Permits issued by the commissioner in accordance with the provisions of sections 1251 and 1252 of this title shall be carried in some easily accessible place in the vehicles authorized to use the equipment and shall be available for inspection at any or all times by any law enforcement officer, or during the inspection by the authorized personnel of an official inspection station designated as such by the department of motor vehicles, as provided by section 1222 of this title. No inspection sticker may be issued for a vehicle equipped with a siren or colored signal lamp or both, unless a current or valid permit for the siren or colored signal lamp or both is produced for inspection. If a vehicle's permit is issued pursuant to subdivision 1252(a) (5) of this title, a copy of the permit is acceptable.

§ 1255. Exceptions

- (1) The provisions of section 1251 of this title shall not apply to directional signal lamps of a type approved by the commissioner of motor vehicles.
- (2) All persons with motor vehicles equipped as provided in section 1252(a)(1) and (a)(2) of this title, shall use the sirens or colored signal lamps or both only in the direct performance of their official duties. When any person other than a law enforcement officer is operating a motor vehicle equipped as provided in section 1252(a)(1) of this title the colored signal lamp shall be either removed, covered, or hooded. When any person other than an authorized ambulance operator, fireman, or authorized operator of vehicles used in rescue operations is operating a motor vehicle equipped as provided in section 1252(a)(2) of this title, the colored signal lamps shall be either removed, covered or hooded unless the operator holds a senior operator license.