STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION/DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING

VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY PLACARDS

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SECTION 1.0 – AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1.1 – AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Title 42, Chapter 35 and in accordance with Title 31, Chapter 3, Section 17 of the Rhode Island General Laws, the Division of Motor Vehicles of the Department of Administration adopts the following rules and regulations for the issuance of volunteer fire company placards.

SECTION 1.2

The purpose of these rules and regulations is to provide for the issuance of volunteer fire company placards.

SECTION 2.0 – DESIGN

SECTION 2.1 – A volunteer fire company placard shall be designed by the Rhode Island Associations' of Fire Chiefs and approved by the Administrator for the Division of Motor Vehicles.

SECTION 2.2 – Said design shall contain the same classification identification and number/letters as in the applicant's registered motor vehicle registered in the State of Rhode Island.

SECTION 3.0 – PROCEDURE

SECTION 3.1 – Any volunteer fireman desiring the issuance of a volunteer fire company placard shall submit an application upon a form provided by the Administrator for the Division of Motor Vehicles.

SECTION 3.2 – Said application shall be accompanied by a letter signed by the fire chief of said volunteer fire company applicant attesting the said applicant is a bonifide person of a volunteer fire company duly incorporated in the State of Rhode Island.

SECTION 3.3 – Said application shall be accompanied with an application fee of $10.00 and this shall be deposited with Division of Motor Vehicles manufacturing account.

SECTION 3.4 – Upon receipt and approval of said application, one placard shall be issued to the applicant regardless of the number of motor vehicles registered to said applicant.

~~SECTION 3.5 – The Chief of any volunteer fire company shall be required to maintain a current list of company members possessing said placards and it shall be the responsibility of said chief to recall the placard and return to the Division of Motor Vehicles the placard of any individual who terminates his relationship with the volunteer fire company.~~

~~SECTION 3.6 – Said placard shall be displayed on the rear of the volunteer fireman's vehicle which is registered in Rhode Island in a conspicuous place which should not obstruct said motor vehicle registration plate.~~

~~SECTION 4.0 – APPEAL PROCESS~~

~~SECTION 4.1 – Any applicant dissatisfied with the decision of the Administrative Division of the Division of Motor Vehicles concerning the issuance of said volunteer fire company placard may appeal to the Director.~~

~~SECTION 4.2 – The appeal must be in writing and submitted to the Director within ten (10) days of the receipt of decision. The appeal must include a copy of the Administrator's decision. The Director's decision may be appealed to the Superior Court in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act. (R.I. Generals Laws, Section 42-35-24).~~

~~SECTION 5.0 – SEVERABILITY~~

~~SECTION 5.1 – If any provisions of these rules and regulations or the application thereof to any person, circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the provisions or applications of the regulations which can be given effect and to this end, the provisions of these regulations are declared to be severable.~~

~~SECTION 6.0 – EFFECTIVE DATE~~

~~SECTION 6.1 – These rules and regulations shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.~~

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy.

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THOMAS M. HARRINGTON, ADMINISTRATOR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of October, 1999

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ROSEANNA HARRINGTON
NOTARY PUBLIC

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