Guidance for Completing Vehicle Weight-Tax Waiver Form

U.S. Military Hawai'i Resident Certificate Hawai'i National Guard/Reserves Certificate CS-L(MVR)50A (blue form)

Eligibility requirements:

Hawai'i residents on active duty, and members of the National Guard and Reserves who are assigned to units located in Hawai'i, are exempt from motor vehicle weight taxes for <u>one</u> vehicle registered in their name. If you qualify and want to be exempt from the weight tax, submit a properly completed Hawai'i Resident/National Guard/Reserves Certificate, Form CS-L(MVR)50A (blue form). You must submit an updated form with each annual registration renewal.

Benefit:

- County weight tax and state weight tax fees are waived.
- You will pay the state registration fee (\$46), county registration fee (\$20), Beautification fee (\$7), emblem fee (.50), and if applicable, new plate fee (\$5), electric/hybrid/alternate fuel vehicle fee (\$50), and any specialty/organizational or personalized plate annual surcharge.
- Weight-tax waiver applies to <u>one</u> vehicle registered in eligible service member's name.
- A vehicle leased to a Hawai'i resident military service member is eligible for the weight-tax fee waiver (50A).

Procedures:

Only a properly completed and certified original form will be accepted. Copied or scanned forms will be rejected. Certifying officials should never sign and distribute blank forms.

- 1. Eligible Hawai'i resident service member:
 - Obtain an original CS-L(MVR)50A (blue form) from your military unit or military personnel office.
 - Service member completes the top two-thirds of the form, signs and dates form.
 - Use one ink pen to complete the form: provide all requested information, sign and date form.
 - Using different pens or ink colors in the top two-thirds of the form will invalidate the form.
 - o No white-out or lined out corrections allowed; if you make a mistake, get a new, original form.
 - Submit completed, signed and dated form to the certifying official.

2. Certifying official (commanding officer or designated personnel officer):

- Certifying official is responsible for certifying the service member-provided information.
- Certifying official uses one pen to complete all spaces (date; printed name, rank, branch of service; and signature) in the CERTIFICATION portion of the form.
 - Using different pens or ink colors in the CERTIFICATION portion will invalidate the form.
- Properly completed and certified forms are valid for 30 days.
 - Certified forms older than 30 days will be rejected.
- 3. Schedule an appointment to register vehicle at any satellite city hall:
 - Go online to <u>alohaq.org</u> to make an appointment to register your vehicle or renew your vehicle registration.
 - Be sure your annual safety inspection is current, gather your properly completed and certified CS-L(MVR)50A (blue form) along with all required supporting documentation and valid military ID, and report for your appointment, allowing time to park and get inside the facility a few minutes before the appointment time.

Exceptions to the benefit:

- A commercial use vehicle is **not eligible** for the weight-tax fee waiver (50A).
- Upon discharge or retirement, you are no longer exempt from Hawai'i's motor vehicle weight tax fees.
 - o To avoid a penalty, re-register your vehicle within 30 days of the effective date of your change in status.

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