

**186.073 Commercial trailer temporary registration placard -- Application process -  
- Uses -- Record of use -- Activation.**

- (1) For the purposes of this section, "semitrailer" and "trailer" shall have the same meaning as established in KRS 186.650.
- (2) Any manufacturer, dealer, or distributor engaged in the business of manufacturing, selling, or customizing commercial semitrailers or commercial trailers may obtain a commercial trailer temporary registration placard from the Department of Vehicle Regulation. The fee for each placard shall be five dollars (\$5) per placard and each applicant shall specify the number of placards to be issued. A company may make additional requests for temporary placards at any time it exhausts the placards supplied by the department.
- (3) The commissioner shall prescribe the application form for the commercial trailer temporary registration placard, require each applicant to submit proof of eligibility to receive the placard, and certify that the applicant has need of the placard in the ordinary course of business, and may request other information as part of the application process.
- (4) The commercial trailer temporary registration placard shall be placed on a semitrailer or trailer in the same manner as a regular trailer license plate. The temporary placard shall be issued if a permanent registration issued pursuant to KRS 186.655 cannot be obtained.
- (5) The use of a commercial trailer temporary registration placard shall be limited to the following activities:
  - (a) A demonstration of the semitrailer or trailer to a prospective purchaser;
  - (b) The transportation of the semitrailer or trailer to a facility engaged in the customizing of a motor vehicle for eventual use on the highway;
  - (c) The transportation of the semitrailer or trailer to a trade show or other activity designed to promote the selling of the product;
  - (d) The transportation of the semitrailer or trailer by a purchaser to a location outside Kentucky, provided that the semitrailer or trailer is not eligible to be registered in Kentucky; or
  - (e) Transportation of a trailer or semitrailer from the manufacturer to a place of business in Kentucky in order to obtain a permanent registration issued pursuant to KRS 186.655.
- (6) Each manufacturer, dealer, or distributor receiving the temporary placards shall maintain a record of use for each temporary placard to include the following:
  - (a) The make and model of each semitrailer or trailer and the vehicle identification number or other identification number of each vehicle on which a placard is used;
  - (b) The date the placard was issued and the registration number of the placard; and
  - (c) The address of the final destination and reason for movement of the semitrailer or trailer receiving the temporary placard.

- (7) A commercial trailer temporary registration placard shall not be activated until it is placed upon the semitrailer or trailer and used in a manner as authorized by subsection (5) of this section. The commercial trailer temporary registration placard shall expire thirty (30) days after it is activated and placed in use on a semitrailer or trailer and shall be designed in a manner that an expiration date shall be noted clearly on the face of the placard.

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**Legislative Research Commission Note (7/15/2008).** While the lead-in language for this statute in 2008 Ky. Acts ch. 176, sec. 2 provided that "A NEW SECTION OF KRS 186 (sic) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:" it is clear that a new statute was actually being created and the Reviser of Statutes has codified it as such to effectuate that intent.