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Cancellation of certificates of title.

(A) Pursuant to section 4505.02 of the Revised Code and except as set forth in paragraph (C) of this rule, the registrar of motor vehicles may determine that a certificate of title has been improperly issued for any reason, including, but not limited to, erroneous issuance to the wrong individual, incorrect information on the certificate of title, or the omission of essential information on the certificate of title.

(B) If the registrar determines that a certificate of title has been improperly issued, the registrar shall notify the person to whom it was issued and any lienholders in writing. The person who received the certificate of title shall immediately return it to the registrar. Upon receipt of the certificate of title, the registrar shall issue a cancellation notice and record it in the automated title processing system. The clerk of courts shall obtain the digital image of the cancellation notice in the automated title processing system and enter the cancellation in its records. The clerk may, at their discretion, issue a corrected certificate of title after cancellation of the improperly issued one.

(C) A title shall not be considered improperly issued if an individual takes delivery of a motor vehicle and returns the vehicle for, but not limited to, the following reasons:

(1) Denial of a finance or lease agreement;

(2) The individual's dissatisfaction with the vehicle;

(3) Insufficient funds to purchase the vehicle;

(4) A returned check from the individual's bank or financial institution;

(5) A mechanical or warranty issue with respect to the motor vehicle; or

(6) The individual's inability to obtain or maintain financial responsibility insurance with respect to the operation of the vehicle.

(D) Upon the receipt of the improperly issued title and any information requested by the registrar, the clerk of courts of common pleas may issue a corrected title.