



**Georgia Department of Revenue – Motor Vehicle Division
Title Ad Valorem Tax
Informational Bulletin
Vehicles Donated to 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organizations**

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to announce a clarification of O.C.G.A. § 48-5C-1(d)(13) pertaining to vehicles donated to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that are titled in the name of the non-profit organization.

POLICY

Georgia Code Section 48-5C-1(d)(13) allows for 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations to title donated motor vehicles in their name at a 1% rate of TAVT instead of the ordinary rate; e.g., 6.75 % in 2014, 7% in 2015, etc. The statute requires that the motor vehicle ultimately be transferred to another person. At the same time, the statute does not prohibit the non-profit organization from registering and using the motor vehicle for its own use nor does the statute provide a required time frame between the time of donation and the subsequent transfer.

Due to the lack of an enforceable standard, and to promote consistent treatment of all 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, county tag offices shall process all title applications for a motor vehicle donated to a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization at the 1% rate of TAVT. In order to receive the reduced rate, the non-profit organization should execute Form MV-31 and provide it to the county tag office when applying for a Certificate of Title in the name of the non-profit organization.

Please note, for motor vehicles purchased by 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations (as opposed to donated to the organization) the ordinary TAVT rate applies; e.g., 6.75% for 2014, 7% for 2015, etc. In either instance, having been subject to TAVT the non-profit organization will receive the associated exemption from sales tax and the annual ad valorem tax.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

**For more information on this subject, contact the Motor Vehicle Division at 1-855-406-5221,
from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm EST, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call our TDD number at 404-417-4302.**

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