

Everything you didn't know about the Clerk and Recorder's Office

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RECORDING & MARRIAGE LICENSE:

On Friday, March 5th, the main server for Recording will be in the process of an upgrade. The plan is not to interrupt regular business but the transactions may need to be closed early on that day. If you are needing a Marriage License or something recorded, please plan on doing it early in the day on March 5th or on another day.

MOTOR VEHICLE:

Motor Vehicle Information:

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS C.R.S 42-1-102(81) C.R.S 42-3-103 & 42-6-140

- All vehicles are registered for a 12-month period and have a one-month grace period from the date of expiration to renew.

C.R.S 42-3-114 Every vehicle registration under this article shall expire on the last day of the month at the end of each twelve-month registration period and shall be renewed, upon application by the owner, the payment of the fees required by law, and in accordance with section 42-3-113

(3), not later than the last day of the month following the date of expiration. No license plates other than those of the registration period to which they pertain shall be displayed on a motor vehicle operated on the highways of Colorado.

- When renewed within the grace period, the vehicle will retain the original month of expiration.
 - Registration renewals do not require secure and verifiable identification information. The presentation of identification is recommended, secure and verifiable identification is preferred.
 - * Vehicles renewed past the one-month grace period do not get placed into a new cycle and will remain in their current cycle, unless 12 months expired, then they will be processed as a new registration.
- Prior Specific Ownership Tax will be collected from the month following the month of expiration through the month of application for renewal.
 - Colorado Motor Vehicle law allows for a penalty to be assessed if a vehicle is not registered at the time required by law (see C.R.S. 42-3-112 Failure to Pay-Tax-Penalty-Rules).

Please note that the Kit Carson County Clerk and Recorder's does require scheduling for Driver License appointments. There is only one station and it's important to everyone that people do not have to wait in line if at all possible. Currently, Driver License appointments are limited to Kit Carson County and neighboring county residents because of the limited appointments.

The following departments of the Kit Carson County Clerk and Recorder's Office can also be reached by calling (719) 346-8638 and dialing the extension number:

Ext. 242 – Election Department for voter and election questions.

Ext. 236 – Recording Department for information concerning recording legal instruments.

Ext. 301 – Drivers' License & Motor Vehicle Department for license plates/renewals or titling a vehicle.

You can also reach the clerk's office by email at clerkandrecorder@kitcarsoncounty.org.