



TAX & TAG TIPS

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Time-Saving Tip: Check Vehicle Insurance Before Tag Office Visit

By far the No. 1 problem people encounter when they visit a tag office to register a newly-purchased vehicle is that the insurance isn't showing in the state's insurance system. Vehicles cannot be registered without insurance reflected in this system.

Here's my tip: Avoid this problem by checking the status of your insurance before you visit the tag office. Here's how to check your vehicle insurance status:

1. Go to my website: GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com/eservices
2. Scroll to 'Look-Up Information' and click 'Check Insurance Status'
3. Enter your vehicle information, county of residence, and click 'Get Vehicle Status'

The results will show the status of your registration and insurance, any penalties assessed to your vehicle and the most recent emissions record.

If no insurance is listed, call your insurance company and let your agent know. Be sure to verify that the VIN is correct. Your agent must electronically submit the insurance to the state system.



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Best regards,



Apply for Homestead Exemptions by April 1

The best way to reduce your property tax bill is to apply for a homestead exemption. You are likely eligible if you own and occupy your home as your primary residence on or before Jan. 1 and apply by Apr. 1. It's quick and easy to apply online at GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com/Apply. If you already have an exemption in place, you do not need to reapply.



Does my Vehicle Need an Emissions Test in 2022?

Model years **1998-2019** must have a passing emissions test to register or renew in 2022. This applies to gasoline-powered vehicles up to 8,500 pounds. Visit CleanAirForce.com for testing locations and other emissions information.



We're Here to Help!

Customer Service Agents available 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. weekdays.

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Tag Office Hours • All Locations

MON • TUE • THU • FRI	WED	SAT
8:30 - 5:30	8:30 - 6:00	Closed

Make an appointment or check tag office wait times in advance at GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com.