



New Odometer Rules January 1, 2021

Odometer reporting requirements will now apply to vehicles where the manufacturer's model year designation equals 2011 or newer AND an age of less than 20 years.

The immediate impact of this change is to 2011 model vehicles transferring ownership on or after January 1, 2021.

The odometer changes are the result of a ruling published by The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the passage of LB 944 by the Nebraska legislature. Passage of LB 944 ensures Nebraska will stay in compliance with the NHTSA requirements.

Unfortunately, not every jurisdiction has changed its laws, documents and procedures to meet the Jan. 1, 2021, deadline. Those states include: Alaska, Delaware, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Vermont and Washington. Compliance by these states is expected on January 1, 2022.

If an odometer has been reported as exempt through a transaction in one of the non-compliant states, it will remain as exempt.

Example #1: Used vehicle is 3 years old with actual mileage. No change required. There is no odometer exemption to disclose.

Example #2: Used 2011 model year vehicle has title issued in Missouri (non-compliant state) after January 1, 2021, odometer recorded as exempt. Vehicle transfers to Nebraska dealer or consumer, odometer continues as exempt, Nebraska title will be issued with odometer recorded as exempt.

Example #3: Used 2011 model year vehicle transfers ownership, seller erroneously writes "exempt" on title. Title is mutilated, seller must obtain a duplicate title and properly record odometer reading as part of transfer.

Separate odometer statements will not be accepted in lieu of recording mileage on title documents.