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RULE TITLE: Junk Titles

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RULE SUMMARY: The DMV proposes to amend OAR 735-020-0070 to explain that DMV may issue a branded title for a vehicle listed in the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) if additional information is provided in the Junk and Salvage Information (JSI) section. The proposed rule clarifies that the DMV will issue a branded title for a vehicle that a reporting entity has marked in NMVTIS JSI as "scrap," "parts only" or "crushed" only if the same entity later marks the vehicle as "sold."

RULE TEXT:

(1) Prior to issuance of an Oregon title or salvage title, DMV makes an electronic record inquiry of the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS), as defined in OAR 735-024-0030.

(2) DMV may not issue an Oregon title or salvage title for a vehicle if the vehicle has a junk status or similar brand, disposition or notation as described in section (3) of this rule, as indicated:

(a) In the vehicle record within NMVTIS, as updated by a jurisdiction or other entity that is required to report to NMVTIS under 28 CFR Part 25.

(b) On the current title, certificate, or ownership document.

(3) A junk or similar brand, disposition or notation is a word, term, brand or notation that includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:

(a) Destroyed;

(b) Dismantled or Dismantler only;

(c) Hulk;

(d) Junk;

(e) Non-rebuildable;

(f) Non-repairable;

(g) Parts only;

(h) Scrap

(i) Crushed; or

(j) Wreck or Wrecker only.

(4) Section (3) of this rule does not include the word, term, brand or notation of "salvage."

(5) A designation as described in section (2)(a) of this rule is based solely on a determination made by a jurisdiction or other entity required to report to NMVTIS under 28 CFR Part 25, as indicated in NMVTIS.

(6) A designation as described in section (2)(b) of this rule is based solely on a determination made by another jurisdiction, as reflected on the current title or other ownership document issued by that jurisdiction.

(7) Notwithstanding section (2) of this rule, DMV may issue a branded title for a vehicle if a reporting entity has initially marked the NMVTIS vehicle record as "scrap," "parts only," or "crushed" in the Junk and Salvage Information (JSI) section, but later the same reporting entity updates the vehicle status to "sold."

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 184.619, 802.010, 803.045, 803.140

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 803.045, 803.140, 28 CFR Part 25, 49 U.S.C. § 30502