

(c) (A) [In the case of all other motor carriers the Comptroller shall provide an identification marker to be issued to each motor vehicle operated by such motor carrier.] ALL MOTOR CARRIERS SHALL REGISTER EACH OF THEIR VEHICLES WITH THE COMPTROLLER ON AN ANNUAL BASIS FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR AND EXPIRING DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ISSUE AN IDENTIFICATION MARKER FOR EACH MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTERED BY A MOTOR CARRIER. [Such] THE identification marker [must] SHALL be displayed in accordance with [the] regulations promulgated by the Comptroller. The identification marker shall remain the property of the State of Maryland and may be recalled for any violation of the provisions of this subtitle or of the regulations promulgated thereunder. The fee for THE issuance of [such] AN identification marker [shall be \$1.00] IS \$3.00 per vehicle.

[(d)] (B) A motor carrier who operates special mobile equipment, as defined in § 11-159 of the Transportation Article, that are subject to the provisions of this subtitle[,] may register these vehicles in accordance with [other applicable provisions] SUBSECTION (A) of this section or, in the alternative, may elect to register as follows:

(1) Each vehicle for which a special mobile equipment certificate has been issued by the Motor Vehicle Administration may be registered upon payment of an annual fee, and the Comptroller shall provide a distinctive identification marker to be issued to the vehicle and displayed as required by the Comptroller.

(2) The annual registration fee shall be \$50 and shall be in lieu of the road tax otherwise assessable against a motor carrier for operation of the vehicle so registered and reports of mileage may not be required with respect to the vehicle so registered.

[(e) The registration of motor vehicle fleets as provided in subsections (a) and (b) above, may be rescinded by the Comptroller for any violation of the provisions of this subtitle or of the regulations promulgated thereunder, and in such case the motor carrier shall be required to obtain identification markers for each individual vehicle in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Comptroller.

(f) A vehicle shall not be considered in violation of the provisions of this section until April 15 of each year, provided that the motor carrier was registered in accordance with the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) above during the preceding registration year.]

(C) A VEHICLE SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION UNTIL JANUARY 15 OF EACH YEAR, PROVIDED THAT THE MOTOR CARRIER WAS REGISTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS IN EFFECT DURING THE PRECEDING REGISTRATION YEAR.