

7410.0300 NAME, NAME COMBINATION, LENGTH.

Subpart 1. **Full name required.** Except as otherwise provided in this part, the full name is required on drivers' licenses, identification cards, permits, and vehicle title and registration records.

Subp. 2. **Length of full name.** The space provided for recording a full name may not exceed 32 characters and spaces.

A. If the full name exceeds 32 characters and spaces on a new application, it will be truncated by the department in a manner that will permit proper record storage and printing on the license.

B. If the full name of an individual must be shortened, each middle name will be truncated beginning with the last character of the middle name and proceeding, as necessary, through the second letter of the middle name. Each middle initial must be recorded. If the full name still exceeds 32 characters, truncation will continue starting with the last character of the first name and proceeding, as necessary, through the second letter of the first name. The first initial of the first name must be recorded.

C. If an individual has only one name, that name must be recorded as the individual's last name.

D. If the individual's first name is unknown, no first name may be recorded.

E. Multiple middle names must be recorded with a space separation and, if necessary, according to item B.

F. No titles or forms of address such as "Mr." or "Ms." may be recorded.

Subp. 3. **Name combinations.** If an individual has more than one middle name or more than one last name, the last name must be recorded in combination separated by a hyphen only if that is how it is recorded on the presenting primary document.

Subp. 4. **Name difference.** The full name of an individual on a driver's license, permit, identification card, or vehicle certificate of title or registration when the owner is an individual, must be the full name as listed on a primary document unless:

A. the applicant submits a document, as specified in part 7410.0500, subpart 2, verifying a name change; or

B. the name has been truncated following the policy in subpart 2.

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