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annual requirement [beginning 1 April through 31 May] that must be paid for all vehicles unless they are deregistered before 1 April. Vehicle owners who out-process and elect to use a special power of attorney for someone to sell their vehicle must pay their road tax before they out process. If buying a car from the dealership, the road tax should be paid for the remainder of the current year.

Each year, the Joint Service Vehicle Registration Office (JSVRO) [Bldg 5638 on Camp Foster] sets up road tax collection sites at different locations on different dates around military installations on Okinawa, between 1 May and 31 May. Road taxes can be paid prior to 1 May at the Land Transportation Office near Camp Kinser, or through your "American" insurance agent. No matter where you pay your road tax, do NOT wait until last day. Once your road tax expires, you CANNOT legally drive your vehicle until you renew it.

<u>Step 1</u>: Paying your road tax at a collection site — bring all of your vehicle paperwork to include Japanese title, Japanese Compulsory Insurance (JCI) policy (must be current), Property Damage Insurance (PDI) policy (must be current), base registration paperwork, and the current road tax receipt. (this paperwork should be in the blue plastic folder you keep with the vehicle) and <u>you will need to pay your road tax fee in ¥EN ONLY.</u> U. S. currency and credit cards are <u>NOT</u> accepted.

<u>Step 2</u>: Fees vary depending on vehicle / size of engine which correlates with your license plate series. <u>You can find your license plate series and engine size at the top right corner of your base registration paperwork and at the top left on your Japanese title.</u>

License plates series 40/400 and 50/500: ¥7,500 License plates series 33/300 (4.5L and below): ¥19,000 License plates series 33/300 (4.6L and above): ¥22,000 License plates series 11/100 and 88/800 plates: ¥32,000

Mini-Car: ¥3,000 Motorcycles:

-126cc and above: ¥1,000 -125cc and below: ¥500

Mini-Car and Motorcycle taxes must be paid to local City, Town, or Village offices between 0830-1200 and 1300-1700.

Bring the paid receipt to the JSVRO or tax collection site to receive your current Road Tax sticker.

<u>Step 3</u>: Once the road tax fee is paid, you will receive a current year road tax receipt and sticker. Place your road tax sticker inside your vehicle's windshield. Keep the receipt with the rest of the vehicle paperwork.

Step 4: If you pay your road tax through your PDI ("American") insurance agent, you can pay with either ¥en or U. S. dollars—cash only, but it will usually cost more. Similar to paying a provider to JCI your vehicle, you are paying a "service fee" for convenience. You must provide the same vehicle paperwork as you would when paying at a collection site onbase. (all insurance policies must be current). They will keep your title during the process and provide you a receipt to use as a temporary title. After the process is complete, they will provide you a road tax "paid" receipt.

Step 5: Take this receipt to the JSVRO to receive your road tax sticker. *Adhere the sticker inside your windshield.

*Note: These stickers are pre-cut into "pie slices" and need to be peeled away carefully from the backing to keep it in one piece.

Disclaimer: This information is compiled from local Okinawa websites and is intended as a quick reference guide only. III MEF does not imply ownership of this information nor endorsement of any particular insurance company. For further details on Road Tax collection sites, contact the Joint Services Vehicle Registration Office at 645-7481 or visit them at or visit them at

http://www.mcbbutler.marines.mil/BaseInformation/VehicleRegistration.aspx