

Rule 3 – Advertising

2. ADVERTISING GUIDELINES FOR SALE OR LEASE OF NEW AND USED MOTOR VEHICLES:

A. General advertising guidelines

(1) The advertised price of a motor vehicle must be the full cash price for which the dealer will sell or lease the vehicle to any consumer and shall exclude only the following charges:

- (a) State, county, local and other applicable taxes,
- (b) License fees, and
- (c) Title fees.

Charges including but not limited to dealer service and handling fees, freight and transportation fees, and preparation fees must be included in the advertised price.

(2) The price of a new motor vehicle, when advertised by a dealer, must be the price that is available to every consumer. Rebates or incentives that are available to all consumers without qualification can be deducted from the price. Limited Rebates or incentives that are only available to select or qualifying consumers shall not be deducted from the advertised price.

(3) Additionally, a qualification may not be used when advertising the sales price of a vehicle such as “with trade”, “with acceptable trade”, or “with down payment”.

(4) Dealers must clearly and prominently identify themselves by their dealership name or their DBA name listed on file with the Commission.

(5) Specific motor vehicles, new or used, or line-make of vehicles advertised for sale or lease shall be in the possession of the dealer as advertised at the address given at the time the advertisement is placed or be available to be shipped to the dealer from the manufacturer or distributor within a reasonable period of time. However, if the time between the placement and the broadcast of the advertisement to the public is excessive, the dealer must have a similar line-make new motor vehicle or an equivalent used motor vehicle to the specific motor vehicle advertised. The vehicles shall be in condition to be demonstrated, and shall be willingly shown and sold or leased at the advertised prices and upon the terms advertised.

(6) Specific claims or discount offers shall only be used in connection with new or demonstrator vehicles.

(7) Specific claims or discount offers must only be used to show the difference between the dealer's current selling price and the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price. The dealer shall include dealer add-ons identified in the dealership addendum when advertising the current selling price.

(8) If an advertisement discloses a rebate, cash back, discount savings claim or other incentive, the full price of the vehicle (MSRP) must be conspicuously disclosed or stated in the ad as well as the price of the vehicle after deducting the incentive(s). Rebates cannot be combined as one.

Rule 7 – Off-Premise Sales, Displays and/or Events

**5.PARTICIPATION BY QUALIFIED DEALERS:**

**A.** Qualified dealers may be invited to participate in an Off-Premise Sale provided that:

- (1)** The sponsor obtains written approval from the Director,
- (2)** A reciprocity agreement has been executed between the State of Arkansas and the state in which the contiguous county is located and such agreement is on file in the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission office, and
- (3)** Qualified dealers must adhere to all requirements of Rule 7 Off-Premise Sales, Displays and Events.

**B.** Any qualified out-of-state dealer shall submit:

- (1)** An application provided by the Commission office;
- (2)** Meet all requirements of Rule 7, Section 2, Paragraph N;
- (3)** A fee for a temporary permit must be paid:
  - (i)** For an out-of-state motor vehicle dealer, one hundred dollars (\$100);
  - (ii)** For a manufacturer or distributor, two hundred fifty dollars (\$250); and
  - (iii)** For a factory representative or distributor representative, fifty dollars (\$50.00).