

**I. All Uses of the Phrase “Immediate Family” in Title 23.**

(1) 23 V.S.A. § 304(c)(2) (low number plates)

(c) The Commissioner shall issue registration numbers 101 through 9999, which shall be known as reserved registration numbers, for pleasure cars, motor trucks that are registered at the pleasure car rate, and motorcycles in the following manner:

(1) A person holding a reserved registration number may retain the number for the ensuing registration period, provided application is made at least 60 days prior to expiration of the registration.

(2) If the registrant does not renew the registration, the number may be reassigned to a member of the immediate family if application is made at least 60 days prior to expiration of the registration. As used herein, “immediate family” means the spouse, household member, grandparents, parents, siblings, children, or grandchildren of the registrant.

(2) 23 V.S.A. § 454(a)(5) (motor vehicle dealer plates)

(a) A motor vehicle owned by a dealer may be operated, while so owned, under the distinguishing number assigned to him or her as provided in this subchapter, for the following purposes and uses:

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(5) For the private pleasure use of the dealer and members of his or her immediate family, residing in the same household;

(3) 23 V.S.A. § 3204(b)(1) (snowmobile dealer plates)

(b)(1) Dealer; manufacturer and repair plates; fees. Unless exempted pursuant to subsection 3205(d) of this title, any person engaged in the manufacture or sale of snowmobiles shall obtain registration certificates and identifying number plates subject to such rules as may be adopted by the Commissioner which shall be valid for the following purposes only: testing; adjusting; demonstrating; temporary use of customers for a period not to exceed 14 days; private business or pleasure use of such person or members of his or her immediate family; and use at fairs, shows, or races when no charge is made for such use.

(4) 23 V.S.A. § 3206(b)(5)(A) (snowmobiles; permitted places of operation)

(b) A snowmobile shall not be operated:

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(5) On any privately-owned land or body of private water unless:

(A) the operator is the owner, or member of the immediate family of the owner or lessee of the land or private body of water; or

(5) 23 V.S.A. § 3305(c)(1)(E) (motorboat dealer registration numbers)

(1) A dealer motorboat registration number may be used:

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(E) for the private business or pleasure use of the dealer and members of his or her immediate family residing in the same household;

(6) 23 V.S.A. § 3504(b) (ATV dealer plates)

(b) Any person engaged in the manufacture or sale of all-terrain vehicles shall obtain registration certificates and identifying number plates subject to rules which may be adopted by the commissioner which shall be valid for the following purposes only: testing; adjusting; demonstrating; temporary use of customers for a period not to exceed seven days; private business or pleasure use of the person or members of his or her immediate family; and use at fairs, shows, or races when no charge is made. Fees for registration certificates shall be \$45.00 for the first certificate issued to any person and \$5.00 for any additional certificate issued to the same person within the current registration period. Fees for temporary number plates shall be \$3.00 for each plate issued.

(7) 23 V.S.A. § 3506(b)(3)(A) (ATVs; permitted places of operation)

(b) An all-terrain vehicle may not be operated:

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(3) On any privately owned land or body of private water unless:

(A) the operator is the owner, or member of the immediate family of the owner of the land; or

## II. Examples of Definitions of “Immediate Family” and Similar Phrases in Vermont Law

### 2 V.S.A. § 261(13) (Definitions in the chapter governing the registration of lobbyists)

(13) “Immediate family” means a person’s spouse or civil union partner, parent, sibling, child, or in-law, including a parent, sibling, or child of a spouse or civil union partner.

### 8 V.S.A. § 2200(10) (definitions in the licensed lender chapter of law)

(10) “Immediate family member” means a spouse, child, sibling, parent, grandparent, or grandchild, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, including stepparents, stepchildren, stepsiblings, step grandparents, step grandchildren, and adoptive relationships. The term also includes former spouses dividing property in connection with a divorce or separation.

**8 V.S.A. § 30101(15) (supervision and regulation of credit unions; definitions)**

(15) “Immediate family member” means persons related by blood, civil marriage, or civil union and includes foster children, stepchildren, and adopted children, as well as surviving spouses of persons who were members in good standing at the time of their death.

**Vt. Admin. Code 1-3-102:3(e) (Department of Taxes; Division of Property Valuation and Review; Domicile)**

(e) The factors which are deemed of primary relevance to a fair determination of an individual's domicile are the facts and circumstances that are not readily changeable by the taxpayer in order to alter their domicile for tax reasons. The following factors, in no particular order, shall be considered in determining an individual's domicile. The Department will consider where members of the individual's immediate family reside; where minor children attend school, and the type of school facility. “Immediate family” means the spouse, civil union partner, child, or parent of an individual.