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Definitions

- 1 In this regulation:
 - "consignment agreement" means an agreement between a motor dealer and a consignor for the sale by the motor dealer of a motor vehicle owned by the consignor;
 - "consignment" means an arrangement by which a motor vehicle is entrusted to a motor dealer
 - (a) for sale by the motor dealer,
 - (b) under a conditional sale to the motor dealer for the purpose of resale, or
 - (c) to display by the motor dealer for sale;
 - "consignor" means a person who makes a consignment;
 - "lien holder" means, as applicable, one or more persons who have a valid lien on the consigned motor vehicle;
 - **"purchase agreement"** means an agreement between a motor dealer and a purchaser for the sale and purchase of a consigned motor vehicle;
 - **"purchaser"** means a person who purchases a consigned motor vehicle primarily for personal, family or household purposes.

[am. B.C. Reg. 47/96, s. 1.]

Form of consignment agreement

- 2 (1) If a consignment is negotiated between a motor dealer and a consignor, the motor dealer must prepare a consignment agreement and provide the consignor with a copy of the consignment agreement at the time of signing by the consignor.
 - (2) The consignment agreement must contain all of the following information:
 - (a) a complete description of the motor vehicle being consigned;
 - (b) the minimum price the consignor will accept for the sale of the motor vehicle;
 - (c) the amount payable to the motor dealer, for services provided by the motor dealer as a consignment agent, expressed as
 - (i) a fixed amount payable only if the motor vehicle is sold,

- (ii) a fee for services that is
 - (A) a fixed amount payable whether or not the motor vehicle is sold,
 - (B) a percentage of the actual selling price of the motor vehicle payable only if the vehicle is sold, or
 - (C) an amount that exceeds an agreed upon minimum selling price of the motor vehicle payable only if the vehicle is sold, or
- (iii) any combination of the fee for services under subparagraph (ii) (A), (B) or (C);
- (d) the duration of the consignment agreement;
- (e) a statement that any cheque, bank draft or money order of the purchaser must be made payable to the motor dealer in trust;
- (f) a statement that the consignor must not sign over vehicle ownership registration forms in blank to the motor dealer;
- (g) a declaration of title from the consignor, including any outstanding liens, which must be discharged at the time of sale;
- (h) a description of any warranty or guarantee assignable by the consignor;
- (i) a statement of the responsibilities of both the consignor and the motor dealer with respect to insurance coverage on the motor vehicle during the period of the consignment agreement;
- (j) a statement of the responsibilities of both the consignor and the motor dealer when the motor vehicle is sold by the motor dealer, including a statement that
 - (i) the motor dealer must send or deliver to the consignor notification of the sale of the consigned vehicle within one day after the sale of the consigned vehicle, and
 - (ii) disbursement of the sale proceeds must take place within 14 days after the sale of the consigned vehicle unless the consignor specifically waives this right, in writing, after the sale.

[am. B.C. Reg. 47/96, s. 2.]

3 Repealed. [B.C. Reg. 47/96, s. 3.]

Form of purchase agreement

- 4 (1) If the purchase of a consigned motor vehicle is negotiated between a motor dealer and a purchaser, the motor dealer must prepare a purchase agreement and provide the purchaser with a copy of the purchase agreement at the time of signing by the purchaser.
 - (2) The purchase agreement must contain, in addition to any content required by the Motor Dealer Act Regulation, the following statements:
 - (a) a statement that the motor vehicle is on consignment;

- (b) a statement that any cheque, bank draft or money order received from the purchaser in payment for the consigned motor vehicle must
 - (i) be made payable to a trust account of the motor dealer at a savings institution located in British Columbia, and
 - (ii) identify the trust account in the manner that the trust account is identified in the records of the savings institution.

[en. B.C. Reg. 47/96, s. 4; am. B.C. Reg. 200/2017, Sch. 3.]

Use of plain language in agreements

5 Every consignment agreement and purchase agreement must be written in plain language, in not less than 8 point type, and in a manner which is easily understood by a reasonable person.

Manner of payment

- **6** (1) Any payment received from a purchaser is deemed to be held in trust for the consignor and lien holder.
 - (2) Money held by a motor dealer in trust under subsection (1)
 - (a) continues to be the beneficial property of the consignor and lien holder,
 - (b) must not be used as collateral by the motor dealer, and
 - (c) is not subject to attachment or execution against the motor dealer.
 - (3) Within one day after payment is received from the purchaser, the payment must be deposited by the motor dealer in a trust account at a savings institution located in British Columbia, and the trust account must be designated as a trust account in the records of the savings institution and the motor dealer.
 - (4) A motor dealer must not withdraw or authorize the withdrawal of any trust funds referred to in this section unless the funds are for the purpose of
 - (a) disbursing sale proceeds to a consignor or lien holder under a consignment agreement,
 - (b) correcting an error caused by money deposited in the trust account by mistake, or,
 - (c) making payments to the motor dealer as authorized in the consignment agreement after the payment of the disbursements described in paragraph (a).

[en. B.C. Reg. 47/96, s. 5.]

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