1308 Purchase of State Vehicles

1. Agencies must follow NRS 334.010 and **chapter 1500** of this manual when purchasing vehicles, including, but not limited to chapter 1511 through 1514.

2. Any options not included on the Vehicle Directive issued by the Purchasing Division for the current year requires special justification.

3. State fleets based in Clark County and Washoe County may be subject to alternate fuel vehicle acquisition requirements per NAC 486A. Agencies are responsible for ensuring all vehicle purchases meet the requirements of NAC 486A if applicable. Law enforcement and emergency vehicles are exempt from NAC 486A. Fleets based in Clark County may also be subject to the alternative fuel vehicle purchase requirements of the federal Energy Policy Act (EPAct). The Nevada State Office of Energy reports EPAct compliance for State fleets to the U.S. Department of Energy and will provide guidance on meeting vehicle purchase requirements.

4. Vehicles with a police package are recommended for all law enforcement work. Agencies should reference NRS 484A.480 prior to purchasing emergency lights to ensure lights are authorized.

5. Agencies purchasing new passenger sedans with a vehicle classification size of either compact or intermediate are required to purchase vehicles that have achieved the "Smart Way or Smart Way Elite" designation of "Federal" as published in the "Federal Green Vehicle Guide". A listing of approved vehicles can be viewed on the Purchasing Division website at: http://purchasing.state.nv.us. Agencies may also view the federal green vehicle guide at http://www.epa.gov/greenvehicles/Index.do. The Board of Examiners must approve any exemptions to this requirement.

6. Law Enforcement vehicles are exempt from the Smart Way and Smart Way Elite requirement. Other agencies requesting an exemption for a specific vehicle purchase must request the exemption by submitting a Vehicle Order Justification Sheet with their requisition to Purchasing.