

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service Division of Consumer Services

Motor Vehicle Repair Estimate and Invoice Requirements

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Estimate Requirements 559.905(1), F.S.

In accordance with the Florida Motor Vehicle Repair Act s. 559.905, F.S., the motor vehicle repair estimate must include at least the following items:

- a. The name, address, and telephone number of the motor vehicle repair shop.
- b. The name, address, and telephone number of the customer.
- c. The date and time of the written repair estimate.
- d. The year, make, model, odometer reading, and license tag number of the motor vehicle.
- e. The proposed work completion date. (form may say promised)
- f. A general description of the customer's problem or request for repair work or service relating to the motor vehicle.
- g. A statement as to whether the customer is being charged according to a flat rate or an hourly rate, or both.
- h. * The estimated cost of repair. The following must appear:
 - The form must state whether the estimate includes a separate charge for shop supplies or hazardous/other waste removal
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 include the following statement: "This charge represents costs and profits to the motor vehicle repair facility for
 miscellaneous shop supplies or waste disposal."
 - The estimate shall contain a statement identifying charges mandated by state or federal law, as follows:
 - If the estimate includes the sale of new tires it must state: F.S. 403.718 mandates a \$1.00 fee for each new tire sold in the State of Florida.
 - If the estimate includes the sale of a new or remanufactured battery it must state: F.S. 403.7185 mandates a \$1.50 fee for each new or remanufactured battery sold in the State of Florida.
- The charge for making a repair price estimate or, if the charge cannot be predetermined, the basis on which the charge will be calculated.
- j. The customer's intended method of payment.
- k. The name and telephone number of another person who may authorize repair work, if the customer desires to designate such person.
- A statement indicating what, if anything is guaranteed in connection with the repair work and the time and mileage period for which the guarantee is effective.

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