MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERSHIP COMPLIANCE WALK-THRU OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION

Please complete the following Dealership Overview so that you will better understand the nature of your customer's business and can better assist them during your audit consultation. Once you have completed the Overview section, please obtain a response to each Audit question and record the response by checking the appropriate box- "Yes", "No" or "N/A" (Not Applicable/Unsure). At the conclusion of the Audit, please note any questions you may have or specific areas which need to be followed up on in the future.

GENERAL OPERATIONS

		YES	NO	N/A
LIC	CENSING	_	_	
1)	Is your Dealership license current and properly displayed?			
2)	Are all of your salespeople properly licensed?			
3)	Are the salespersons' licenses available for inspection?			
4)	Do you have procedures to ensure that licenses are renewed timely?			
5)	Do all employees who operate (at any time) Dealership or customer vehicles			
	possess a valid driver's license?			
6)	Do you have all required vendor permits and are they properly posted?			
7)	If you employ security personnel, are they properly licensed?			
FA	CILITIES			
8)	Are your business hours properly posted?			
9)	Are showroom and employee work areas arranged in an orderly fashion?			
10	Are your facilities equipped for handicap customers (i.e. Do you have ramps,			
	reserved parking spaces, wheelchair accessible restrooms?)			
11	Are employee work areas maintained in a professional manner (i.e. no off-color			
	jokes or inappropriate calendars posted)?			
12) If you have smoke alarms, are they tested at regular intervals?			
13	Are your fire extinguishers tested at regular intervals?			
14) When you service or arrange services for a customer vehicle, do you			
	a) Lock the vehicles when they are not being serviced?			
	b) Park the vehicles in a secure location?			
	c) Restrict access to customer vehicles and keys?			

BUSINESS OPERATIONS 15) Does the Dealership have a "Policies and Procedures Manual?" If so: a) Is it distributed to all new employees? b) Is the Manual updated regularly? c) Are employees required to sign a document acknowledging that they have received and read the original Manual and updated versions? 16) Do you have a written contract with each person and entity with whom you do business (i.e. repossession companies; after market product suppliers; repair facilities; and independent contractors like security guards)? 17) Are all of your contracts with third parties reviewed by legal counsel prior to signing them? 18) Do you retain copies of all contracts you enter into?	
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18) Do you retain copies of all contracts you enter into?	
19) Do you have procedures in place to ensure that all of the records you are required	
to retain by government agencies are kept for the appropriate period of time? \Box	
20) Are the computers used in the operation of the Dealership connected to a main	
frame?	
a) Is there a system in place for backing up the computer(s)?	
b) Are computers backed up on a daily basis?	
c) Are back up disks stored in a safe location (i.e. in a fire proof area or an offsite	
location)?	
21) Does your Dealership liability insurance policy provide coverage for:	
a) Defense costs, including attorneys' fees?	
b) Federal and State odometer claims?	
c) Damage to vehicles being test driven by or loaned to a customer?	
d) Damage to or the theft of a customer's vehicle on your lot?	
e) Personal injury claims of someone injured on your lot?	
f) Truth in Lending and Truth in Leasing Claims?	
22) Are there procedures in place to put the Dealership's insurance company on	
notice immediately when a claim is brought to the attention of Dealership	
personnel?	

HUMAN RESOURCES

	YES	NO	N/A
23) Do you require potential employees to complete an employment application?			
24) Do you contact references provided by applicants?			
25) Do you conduct background investigations or obtain credit reports on applicants?			
26) Do you take steps to ensure that employees are eligible to work in the United			
States and complete the required paperwork?			
27) Do you require any of your employees to submit to drug tests?			
28) Are the terms of employment reduced to writing?			
29) If you employ independent contractors, do you have a written agreement setting			
forth each party's obligations and duties?			
30) Do you have written policies regarding the payment of bonuses?			
31) Do you maintain an employment file for each employee? If so,			
a) Do you conduct regular performance reviews and retain copies of written			
reviews in each file?			
b) If you take disciplinary action, do you retain a written statement setting forth			
the problem and action taken and have it signed by a dealership			
representative as well as the employee being disciplined?			
32) Do you require all new employees to attend training and/or educational seminars			
related to their duties at the Dealership?			
33) Do you periodically hold training seminars for employees as procedural and legal			
issues arise?			
34) Do you offer health care coverage for your employees?			
35) Do you have an employee handbook? If so,			
a) Does it include an internet and e-mail policy statement?			
b) Does it contain policies and procedures to handle claims of discrimination			
and/or sexual harassment?			
c) Have you included policies for holiday parties and other work functions?			
d) Is the handbook updated regularly?			
e) Do you require employees to sign a document acknowledging that they have			
received and read the original handbook and updated versions?			
MARKETING AND ADVERTISING			
36) Is your Dealership name registered with the appropriate state authority?			

	YES	NO	N/A
37) If you have a trademark or service mark, is it registered with the appropriate state			
authority and/or with the Federal Patent and Trademark Office?			
38) Are procedures in place to ensure that your Marks are renewed timely?			
39) Please indicate which of the following marketing/advertising methods your			
Dealership uses:			
i) Newspaper			
ii) Radio			
iii) Television			
iv) Internet			
v) Billboards			
vi) Magazines			
vii) Direct Mail Offers			
viii)Balloons, signs, etc. on the Dealership's premises			
ix) Other:			
40) Are the persons who create your Dealership's advertisements familiar with the			
Truth in Lending and Truth in Leasing Acts?			
41) Are they also familiar with your state laws and rules as they pertain to			
advertising?			
42) Do all of your advertisements clearly disclose any material limitations or			
exclusions when the offer is made and the time period during which offers are			
valid?			
43) Do you advertise guaranteed financing for customers?			
44) If you advertise the ability to "help repair credit" or "re-establish credit", are you			
familiar with the Credit Repair Services Act?			
45) Do you review all advertisement copy before it is run?			
46) Do you retain copies of all advertisements?			
47) If your telephone system provides information to customers on hold, has the			
content been reviewed for compliance with applicable advertising laws?			
48) Do you advertise on the Internet? If so,			
a) Do you have your own website?			
b) Have you registered applicable domain names?			
c) Do you advertise on other websites (i.e. banners, etc)?			

	YES	NO	N/A
d) Do you apply the same procedures to your online advertisements as you do to			
your other advertisements?			
e) Are the advertisements/offers updated regularly?			
f) When vehicles are sold, are the advertisements deleted within 24 hours?			
g) Do you have the ability to maintain/update your own website?			
h) Are modifications to the online advertisements made at your Dealership?			
i) Do you print copies of any screens that contain advertisements/offers and			
retain copies for your records?			
SALES			
49) Do you utilize a deal jacket that has information to help you establish a bona fide			
error defense?			
50) Has your Retail Buyers Order been reviewed for legal compliance?			
51) Does Retail Buyers Order include language integrating the Buyers Guide into the			
form?			
52) Do you use a Wholesale Buyers Order for wholesale transactions?			
53) Do you have a separate purchase agreement to use when purchasing vehicles			
directly from a customer or another dealership?			
54) Do you have a comprehensive test drive agreement (i.e. limits the number of			
miles the customer may drive; informs the customer of items for which he may be			
liable; and instructs the customer when to return the vehicle)?			
55) If you offer a limited warranty in connection with the sale of a motor vehicle, are			
you aware that you need a separate limited warranty document?			
56) When you appraise a trade-in vehicle, do you obtain information about the history			
of the vehicle?			
57) Do you have procedures in place to verify the history of used vehicles?			
58) Is your trade-in appraisal form designed so that the information obtained from the			
previous owner is available when the vehicle is offered for sale?			
59) Do you utilize a form in which the customer confirms and acknowledges the terms			
of the transaction?			
60) Do you utilize a "We Owe/Due Bill" that clearly indicates that nothing is owed to			
the customer or, if you have promised something, what is owed?			
61) Does your "We Owe/Due Bill" include language whereby the customer			

	YES	NO	N/A
acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to inspect the vehicle and found			
that it was free from any reasonably discoverable defects?			
62) Do you have titles to vehicles in your possession prior to offering the vehicles for			
sale?			
63) Do you have procedures in place to ensure the titles are transferred within the			
statutory period and/or the period required by your dealer/lender agreements?			
64) Have all of your motor vehicle sales related forms been reviewed by legal counsel			
within the past year to ensure legal compliance?			
65) If you are made aware that an airbag has deployed on a vehicle in your inventory,			
do you ensure that it has been properly repaired before offering the vehicle for			
sale?			
66) If you do business with non-English speaking customers, do you have paperwork			
and procedures in place to ensure that the customers understand the			
transaction?			
67) Is an FTC Buyers Guide posted on each used motor vehicle prior to it being			
offered for sale?			
68) Does the format of the Buyers Guide comply with the FTC Used Car Rule?			
69) Have you taken steps to ensure that the Buyers Guide is properly completed (i.e.			
using the language "balance of factory warranty exists" is not appropriate to			
disclose that the manufacturer's warranty has not expired)?			
FINANCE AND INSURANCE			
70) Please indicate which of the following types of financing you utilize:			
a) Traditional Financing (finance contract between the lender and the			
customer)?			
b) Sub-prime Financing (finance contract between your Dealership and the			
customer which is subsequently assigned to a lender)?			
c) Buy Here-Pay Here Financing (finance contract between your Dealership and			
the customer)?			
71) Do you have a copy of the dealer agreement for each lender with whom your			
Dealership does business?			
72) Have these dealer agreements been reviewed by legal counsel prior to doing			
business with each lender?			

	YES	NO	N/A
73) If a review of the dealer agreements has identified provisions that may be			
problematic, have you been successful in negotiating revisions?			
74) Do you have a Related Finance Company?			
75) If you have a Related Finance Company, do you have a dealer agreement			
between your Dealership and the Related Finance Company? If so,			
a) Has this agreement been reviewed by legal counsel and a tax consultant?			
76) Do you "spot deliver" vehicles (i.e. deliver vehicles to the customer subject to final			
financing being obtained or approved)?			
77) If you engage in more than one type of financing (i.e. Traditional/ Sub-prime/ Buy			
Here—Pay Here), do you have more than one type of spot delivery agreement?			
78) Do you use a generic credit application?			
79) Do you disclose the name of each lender to whom a credit application is			
submitted?			
80) Does anyone at your Dealership assist the customer with the completion of the			
credit application? If so,			
a) Does the customer review and sign the application thereby acknowledging			
and agreeing that all information contained therein is true and accurate?			
81) Do you take steps to verify the information contained in the credit application?			
82) Do you retain copies of credit applications for a period of 3 years?			
83) Do you request that the lender notify you in writing of its decision to either			
approve or deny financing? If so,			
a) Are copies of the lender's decisions retained in your files?			
84) Do you pull credit reports for customers at the Dealership? If so,			
a) Do you limit who has access to pull and/or review the credit reports?			
b) Do you have written policies and procedures regarding when and how to	_	_	_
obtain credit reports?			
c) Is the customer's written permission obtained prior to pulling a credit report?			
d) Do you have the ability to pull credit reports online?			
85) If you require a co-signer, do you utilize a form containing the proper disclosure			
language?			
86) Do you use Retail Installment Contracts provided by lenders? If so,			
a) Are these Contracts reviewed by legal counsel to ensure compliance with			

	applicable federal and state laws?	YES	NO	N/A
b)	Are you familiar with the representations and warranties contained in the			
5)	Assignment portion of these Contracts?			
c)	Do you know if the representations and warranties contained in the Contract			
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(ام	will apply with respect to your relationship with the lender?			
d)	Are you asked to check a box indicating whether the Contract is assigned with			
	recourse, without recourse, or subject to terms contained in a separate	_	_	_
、	agreement?			
e)	Are you aware that there may be circumstances under a Contract or dealer			
	agreement labeled "non-recourse" when you may be required to repurchase a	_	_	
	Contract(s)?			
87) lf y	ou engage in Buy Here-Pay Here sales, do you have Retail Installment			
Co	ntracts designed for that purpose? If so,			
a)	Has this Contract been reviewed by legal counsel?			
88) Are	e the finance charges and payments terms in your Retail Installment Contracts			
ca	culated by a computer program? If so,			
a)	Have you verified that the computer calculations are accurate and in			
	compliance with applicable law?			
89) Do	you provide the customer with a copy of the completed Retail Installment			
Co	ntract prior to obtaining the customer's signature?			
90) Do	you provide the customer with a copy of the completed Retail Installment			
Co	ntract after obtaining the customer's signature?			
91) Wi	th respect to down payments paid by the customer:			
a)	Are all of the down payments paid in cash?			
b)	Do you accept "deferred down payments" or "pick up payments?" If so,			
	i) Have you taken steps to ensure that your dealer agreements do not			
	prohibit the acceptance of deferred down payments or pick up payments?			
	ii) Do you disclose the amount of the deferred down payment to the			
	customer?			
	iii) Is the amount of the deferred down payment paid before the second			
	regularly scheduled payment?			
92) Do	you provide the customer with a receipt when you accept a deposit, down			
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		YES	NO	N/A
pa	yment or any other type of payment?			
93) Wł	nen you accept a deposit, does the receipt state:			
a)	How long the customer's option to purchase the vehicle is binding?			
b)	Whether or not the deposit is refundable?			
c)	Any conditions that will limit the customer's ability to obtain a refund?			
94) Do	you have procedures to verify the payoff amount of a trade vehicle?			
95) Do	you have a written agreement that explains the obligations of the Dealership			
an	d customer if the amount of the estimated payoff is different from the actual			
pa	yoff amount?			
96) Do	you engage in transactions that include the financing of negative equity? If so,			
a)	Is the amount of the negative equity disclosed to the customer?			
b)	Is the customer required to sign a document wherein he/she acknowledges			
	that there is negative equity and that he/she knows that the price of the			
	vehicle will be increased as a result?			
c)	Have you taken steps to ensure that your dealer agreements do not prohibit			
	the financing of negative equity?			
97) Do	es your Dealership engage in collection activities? If so,			
a)	Have your employees been properly trained to engage in such activities?			
b)	If an outside person or entity collects debts on behalf of the Dealership, do			
	you have a written agreement setting forth the obligations of the parties?			
98) lf y	our Dealership engages in repossession activities, are your employees trained			
as	to the proper repossession methods and notices?			
99) lf y	ou utilize a person or entity not affiliated with the Dealership to repossess			
vel	nicles, do you have a written agreement setting forth the obligations of the			
pa	rties?			
100)Pl	ease indicate which of the following products you sell:			
a)	Service Contracts offered by a third party			
b)	Service Contracts offered on behalf of the Dealership			
c)	Credit Life and Disability Insurance			
d)	Guaranteed Asset Protection ("GAP") Waiver Agreements			
e)	Other:			
101)H	ave you taken steps to ensure that these products are offered in accordance			

	YES	NO	N/A
with applicable laws?			
102)Do you have contracts with all third party suppliers and/or administrators? If so,			
a) Have you had these contracts reviewed by legal counsel?			
b) Do you know whether your Dealership or a the third party is the "obligor" for			
each of these products (i.e. the party obligated to perform the services)?			
c) Are you aware of the differences between a "dealer obligor" and			
"administrator obligor" program?			
103)Do you have advertisements, brochures, applications, agreements, cancellation			
forms, policies and procedure manuals and other documents provided to you by			
the third party suppliers and/or administrations for distribution to your customers			
reviewed for legal compliance?			
104)Do you retain copies of the above listed documents for your records?			
105)Are your employees trained on how to sell service contracts, GAP waiver			
agreements, insurance products and any other "after market" products sold at			
your Dealership? If so,			
a) Is training provided by the company supplying the products and related			
documents?			
b) Is training provided by an independent third party?			
c) Are training materials reviewed by your legal counsel to ensure compliance			
with applicable laws?			
106)Are you aware that your Dealership may be held liable for statements and			
representations contained in or made about the suppliers/administrators products	;		
and related documents?			
SERVICE			
FACILITIES			
107)Do you repair vehicles at your Dealership?			
108) If you sublet or refer repairs to third parties, do you have written agreements with	ı		
the repair facilities?			
109)Have service personnel been trained on safety-related issues?			
110)If your technicians are required to be licensed, do you maintain copies of the			
licenses and have procedures to ensure that they are current?			

	YES	NO	N/A
111)If you are required to give oral or written estimates, do you have the proper			
signage in the service area informing customers of that right?			
112)Do you have signage posted advising customers of an estimate choice in the			
area where the customer drops off the vehicle?			
113)Are additional charges that may be incurred by the customer (i.e. restocking			
charges and charges for miscellaneous materials, etc.) properly disclosed?			
114)Have you taken steps to ensure that the signage posted in the service area is			
consistent with the information provided to customers in your paperwork (i.e.			
warranties offered and disclaimed)?			
115)Do you have first aid kits, eye wash stations, and other safety equipment in your			
service department?			
116)Is safety equipment properly placed so that it is easily accessible to your			
employees?			
117)Do you have signs explaining the proper use of safety equipment (i.e. the			
wearing of goggles near a grinder)?			
118)Do you have signage that restricts the access of customers to certain areas?			
119)Do you have procedures in place to ensure that areas to which customers have			
access are kept in a safe fashion?			
120)Do you have policies in place for the disposal of hazardous waste?			
121)Are Dealership personnel properly trained to handle hazardous waste?			
122)Do you use haulers certified by the Environmental Protection Agency and obtain			
confirmation that your waste has been properly disposed of?			
123)Do you have a Hazardous Materials Communication Manual?			
124)Do you require each customer to sign a written estimate choice form prior to			
beginning repairs?			
125)Do you obtain proper authorization before performing any services/repairs?			
126)Does your written repair order contain all information required by applicable state			
law?			
127)Does your written repair order include all disclosures required by applicable law?			
128)Do you obtain permission from the customer prior to road-testing a vehicle?			
129)Is your warranty policy regarding parts and labor clearly communicated to the			
customer in the repair order?			

	YES	NO	N/A
130)Is the language contained in the repair order regarding warranties consistent			
with any posted signage?			
131)Do you have a policy for the return of replaced parts to the customer?			
132)If your policy offers the right to receive returned parts, do you have procedures in			
place to ensure that the parts are returned in the proper manner?			
133)If you perform a repair when you are not obligated to do so, at no charge or a			
reduced charge to a customer (a "goodwill" repair), do you utilize a form indicating			
that the performance of the goodwill repair does not create any additional			
Dealership obligation or warranty in connection with the repair or service?			
134)In the event a deposit is required prior to commencing a repair, do you provide a			
written receipt that states any conditions that will limit the customer's ability to			
obtain a refund?			
135)Do you maintain copies of all service records?			

Please list any questions you may have or areas of concern you would like to discuss with a Consultant.