

**321.98 Operation without registration.**

1. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in [this chapter](#), a person shall not operate and an owner shall not knowingly permit to be operated upon any highway any vehicle required to be registered and titled under [this chapter](#) unless:

a. A valid registration card and registration plate or plates issued for the vehicle for the current registration year are attached to and displayed on the vehicle when and as required by [this chapter](#); and

b. A certificate of title has been issued for the vehicle.

2. Any violation of [this section](#) is a simple misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled violation under [section 805.8A, subsection 2](#).

[C24, 27, 31, 35, §5085; C39, §5007.02; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §321.98]  
[2001 Acts, ch 176, §50, 59](#); [2010 Acts, ch 1190, §34](#); [2013 Acts, ch 90, §77](#)

Referred to in [§322C.6, 805.8A\(2\)\(r\)](#)