Statutory Requirements of KRS 186A.190(4):

1. This lien is only applicable when a motor vehicle is voluntarily towed. This process allows vehicles that are VOLUNTARILY towed by a motor vehicle dealer licensed as a used motor vehicle dealer and motor vehicle auction dealer the opportunity to obtain (salvage or regular) title clear of all liens.

2. The vehicle towed or transported pursuant to a request of the current owner or an insurance company that a motor vehicle dealer, licensed as a used motor vehicle dealer and motor vehicle auction dealer, take possession of and store the motor vehicle in the regular course of business.

3. Within forty-five (45) days of taking possession of the motor vehicle, the motor vehicle dealer has not been paid storage fees by the current owner or lienholder and has not been provided both a properly endorsed certificate of title and if applicable, any lien satisfactions.

4. For a motor vehicle auction dealer or a licensed used car dealer more than fourteen (14) days before presenting the affidavit to the county clerk, the affiant had published a legal notice stating his or her intention to obtain title to the vehicle. The legal notice appeared at least twice in a seven (7) day period in a newspaper published, and with a statewide circulation, in Kentucky.

In compliance with the statutory requirements above, the following documents are required from the motor vehicle dealer licensed as a used motor vehicle dealer and motor vehicle auction dealer:

A. An Affidavit of Motor Vehicle Sale (TC96-159) completed by the seller.

B. Application for Title and Registration (TC96-182)
   - The buyer completes the buyer/transferee section
   - Any prior recorded lien must be released by the lienholder(s)

C. The certified mail receipt and the return receipt from each certified letter or a receipt from a nationally recognized courier service.

D. Sheriff’s inspection is required if the vehicle is from out-of-state or not currently titled in Kentucky.

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