



## **MINNESOTA WATER WELL ASSOCIATION**

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### **Well Rig and Pump Hoist Licensing**

All water well drilling rigs and pump hoists are registered with the Minnesota Department of Health – Well Management Unit as opposed to being licensed through the Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services. Under Minnesota State Law presented in 2000 and signed in 2001 (Section 169.781, Subdivision 5) stipulates that registration be done through the MDH.

It was later amended to require that these vehicles display a yearly inspection sticker, as well as the license number and sticker.

Well drilling machines and pump hoists are the only pieces of equipment affected. Proof of insurance is still required by the MDH and as stated there is no need for registration nor a license plate from the DVS.

It is always highly recommended that anyone owning a vehicle licensed by the MDH have a copy of this Statute in these vehicles (these can be obtained from the MWWA). It is also recommended to have the registration “card” issued by the MDH within the vehicle at all times as well. These two items may expedite any stop or inspection by law enforcement.

Please contact the Minnesota Water Well Association if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Dave Schulenberg – MWWA Executive Director