

DVLA- Enforcement Centre
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DVLA
Longview Road
Swansea
SA99 1AH



23rd July 2014

Ref: XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing to further appeal a penalty for failing to tax a vehicle in response to your letter dated 16th July 2014. The vehicle details are as follows:

Registration: XXXX XXXX
Make and Model: HONDA CBR600F

I wish to provide the following mitigating information in relation to this alleged offence:

I purchased the vehicle on April 27th 2014 with 5 days road tax left (31/04/14); I was aware of this and decided that due to financial constraints I would declare the vehicle SORN. Because I was not currently the registered keeper (on the DVLA system) I was unable to make a SORN over the phone, you will have a record of the call as it was clearly stated all calls were recorded and monitored (XXXXXXXXXXXX). I was advised by a DVLA employee to wait 4-6 weeks for the V5C to turn up before making a SORN declaration, as any SORN in the previous keepers name would be invalid upon keeper change. I did enquire about the expiry of tax but was informed that I would not receive a penalty because the V5C was not in my name.

At the 5-week mark the V5C had still not turned up and so I contacted the DVLA to inform them of this, they advised me to wait until 6 weeks before completing a V62. Section E of the V62 states to wait 6 weeks.

Shortly before sending off the V62 the previous owner contacted me to apologise for the delay in sending off the V5C; he was going to send it off the next day. Up until the point the DVLA received the V5C he was still the registered keeper on the DVLA system. I did not send the V62 off because the previous keeper was posting the V5C.

I finally received the V5C on the 27th June 2014 (2 months after purchasing) along with an LLP.

I contest that a penalty is due by myself, having followed the advice given by DVLA advisors in good faith throughout. Please revisit your records to establish my contacts and what was advised and furthermore check the same for the timings in relation to the previous keeper's advice of a change.

I trust this is the end of the matter.

Yours Faithfully,

Miss Karen 