# Definitive Guide to Reno Tint Laws

Navigating the regulations surrounding window tinting in Reno can be confusing. This guide provides a comprehensive overview of the current laws in Nevada to ensure your vehicle complies with all legal requirements. The tint laws in Reno are the same as the laws for the entire state of Nevada.

## Visible Light Transmission (VLT) Requirements

The amount of light that can pass through your window tint is measured in Visible Light Transmission (VLT). Nevada has specific VLT requirements for different windows on your vehicle:

| Window | VLT Percentage |
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| **Windshield** | Non-reflective tint is allowed above the manufacturer's AS-1 line (approximately the top 5 inches). |
| **Front Side Windows** | Must allow more than 35% of light to pass through. |
| **Back Side Windows** | Any darkness can be used. |
| **Rear Window** | Any darkness can be used. |

It's important to note that if your rear window is tinted, you are required to have dual side mirrors on your vehicle.

## Color and Reflectivity Restrictions

Nevada law prohibits the use of certain colors and limits the reflectivity of window tints:

- **Prohibited Colors:** Red and amber tints are not allowed on any window.
- **Reflectivity:** Highly reflective or "mirror-finish" tints are not permitted on the front side windows. While some sources suggest there are no restrictions on the reflectivity of auto tint, others indicate that reflectivity cannot exceed 20% or 35%. To be safe, it's best to avoid highly reflective tints.

## Other Important Rules

Here are a few other key regulations to keep in mind:

- **Film Certification:** Film manufacturers are required to certify the film they sell in Nevada. It's recommended to confirm with your installer that they are using certified film.

- **Medical Exemptions:** Nevada allows for medical exemptions for darker window tints. A signed statement from a physician is required to apply for a permit.

## Penalties for Non-Compliance

If your vehicle's window tint does not comply with Nevada law, you could face fines and be issued a "fix-it" ticket, which requires you to remove the illegal tint.