

**355.9-313 When possession by or delivery to secured party perfects security interest without filing.**

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  - (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section, a secured party may perfect a security interest in goods, instruments, negotiable tangible documents, or tangible money by taking possession of the collateral.
  - (b) A secured party may perfect a security interest in certificated securities by taking delivery of the certificated securities under KRS 355.8-301.
- (2) With respect to goods covered by a certificate of title issued by this Commonwealth, a secured party may perfect a security interest in the goods by taking possession of the goods only in the circumstances described in KRS 355.9-316(4).
- (3) With respect to collateral other than certificated securities and goods covered by a document, a secured party takes possession of collateral in the possession of a person other than the debtor, the secured party, or a lessee of the collateral from the debtor in the ordinary course of the debtor's business, when:
  - (a) The person in possession signs a record acknowledging that it holds possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit; or
  - (b) The person takes possession of the collateral after having signed a record acknowledging that it will hold possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit.
- (4) If perfection of a security interest depends upon possession of the collateral by a secured party, perfection occurs not earlier than the time the secured party takes possession and continues only while the secured party retains possession.
- (5) A security interest in a certificated security in registered form is perfected by delivery when delivery of the certificated security occurs under KRS 355.8-301 and remains perfected by delivery until the debtor obtains possession of the security certificate.
- (6) A person in possession of collateral is not required to acknowledge that it holds possession for a secured party's benefit.
- (7) If a person acknowledges that it holds possession for the secured party's benefit:
  - (a) The acknowledgment is effective under subsection (3) of this section or KRS 355.8-301(1), even if the acknowledgment violates the rights of a debtor; and
  - (b) Unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this article otherwise provides, the person does not owe any duty to the secured party and is not required to confirm the acknowledgment to another person.
- (8) A secured party having possession of collateral does not relinquish possession by delivering the collateral to a person other than the debtor or a lessee of the collateral from the debtor in the ordinary course of the debtor's business if the person was instructed before the delivery or is instructed contemporaneously with the delivery:
  - (a) To hold possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit; or
  - (b) To redeliver the collateral to the secured party.
- (9)
  - (a) A secured party does not relinquish possession, even if a delivery under subsection (8) of this section violates the rights of a debtor.

- (b) A person to which collateral is delivered under subsection (8) of this section does not owe any duty to the secured party and is not required to confirm the delivery to another person unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this article otherwise provides.

**Effective:** January 1, 2025

**History:** Amended 2024 Ky. Acts ch. 10, sec. 63, effective January 1, 2025. -- Amended 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 132, sec. 70, effective July 1, 2013. -- Repealed and reenacted 2001 Ky. Acts ch. 119, sec. 8, effective July 1, 2001. -- Repealed and reenacted 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 408, sec. 53, effective July 1, 2001. -- Amended 1986 Ky. Acts ch. 118, sec. 72, effective July 1, 1987. -- Created 1958 Ky. Acts ch. 77, sec. 9-313, effective July 1, 1960.

**Legislative Research Commission Note (3/14/2013).** 2013 Ky. Acts ch. 10, secs. 2 and 3 provide that the statutes in Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code that were amended or created in 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 132, secs. 60 to 99, are effective July 1, 2013. This statute was one of those sections. Since only the effective date of a prior Act was altered, and not the text of the affected statutes, reference to 2013 Ky. Acts ch. 10 does not appear in the history for this statute.

**Legislative Research Commission Note (7/12/2012).** In 2010, the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and the American Law Institute proposed a Uniform Act for adoption by the states that contained revisions to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. The effective date for all proposed Article 9 revisions was to be July 1, 2013. Those revisions were enacted in 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Sections 60 to 99. Sections 60 to 90 contained the substantive Article 9 revisions, and Sections 91 to 99 contained the transitional Article 9 revisions created to handle secured transactions made prior to July 1, 2013. Section 91 of that Act (codified as KRS 355.9-801) and Section 102 of that Act (a noncodified effective date provision) both stated, "Sections 91 to 99 of this Act take effect July 1, 2013." The normal effective date for legislation enacted at the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly is July 12, 2012. In Opinion of the Attorney General 12-010, issued July 3, 2012, Section 91 (codified as KRS 355.9-801) was determined to have contained a manifest clerical error, and should have instead read, "Sections 60 to 90 of this Act take effect July 1, 2013," thereby making the substantive Article 9 revisions effective on the same date as the transitional Article 9 provisions in conformity with the 2010 Uniform Act proposal and 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Section 102. This statute was one of the substantive provisions of Article 9 contained in 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Sections 60 to 90.