Bought a Vehicle Without a Title?

If you receive incomplete or incorrect evidence of ownership or have lost the evidence of ownership and cannot contact the seller for the necessary documentation, you may have the option of using the bonded title procedure to transfer of ownership. Here are the steps to do so:

Step 1: In order to qualify, you must be:

- A Texas resident, or
- Military personnel stationed in Texas.

The vehicle must be in your possession and cannot be considered junked, non-repairable, or otherwise ineligible for a title. Although not required to be operational, it must be a complete vehicle including a frame, body and motor or if a motorcycle, a frame and motor.

If you meet the above eligibility requirements you may take or mail the following documents and a \$15.00 administrative fee (TxDMV accepts cash, checks, and money orders as payment) to the nearest TxDMV Regional Service Center:

- Bonded Title Application (Form VTR-130-SOF)
- Any supporting evidence of ownership (Bill of Sale, Invoice, Cancelled Check, etc.)
- Acceptable photo ID

Out of State Vehicles

If the vehicle has never been titled or registered in Texas then a vehicle identification number inspection is required from an auto theft investigator on the *Law Enforcement Identification Number Inspection* (Form VTR-68-A). Inquire with local law enforcement agencies such as the police department or sheriff's office to determine when and where your local law enforcement offers these inspections. These inspections are not offered by the TxDMV. Upon completion of the inspection, the inspecting officer will provide you with a Form VTR-68-A.

Tyler Auto Theft Task Force: 903-590-4910 Paris Auto Theft Task Force: 903-737-4138

Upon Approval

If your documents are approved, you will be issued a *Notice of Determination for a Bonded Title or Tax Assessor-Collector Hearing* (Form VTR-130-ND) stating the amount of the bond you must purchase. The amount is equal to 1 ½ times the value of the vehicle. The department will determine the value of the vehicle using:

- The Standard Presumptive Value (SPV) from our web site as the primary source
- If an SPV is not available, the National Auto Dealers Association (NADA) reference guide will be used, or
- If a value is not available either through SPV or NADA, a licensed motor vehicle dealer or insurance adjuster may appraise the vehicle on a form provided by TxDMV (Form VTR-125).

Note: For appraisals under \$4,000 on vehicles 25 years old or older, the value will be set at \$4,000.

Step 2: Buy Bond

Take the *Notice of Determination for a Bonded Title or Tax Assessor-Collector Hearing* (Form VTR-130-ND) and other documents given to you by the TxDMV Regional Service Center to an auto insurance agency or any agency that is licensed to sell vehicle Surety Bonds in Texas.

You have one year from the date of the notice to purchase a Surety Bond in the amount shown on the notice, otherwise a new notice and bond will be required.

Note: If records indicate that the vehicle has a lien that is less than 10 years old, the surety bonding company is responsible for ensuring that the lien has been satisfied or released.

Step 3: Apply for Title

Within 30 days of purchasing the surety bond, take the original *Notice of Determination for a Bonded Title or Tax Assessor-Collector Hearing* (Form VTR-130-ND) given to you by the Regional Service Center and the documents listed in Step 1, to your county tax office, in addition to:

- Completed Application for Texas Title and/or Registration (Form 130-U)
- If no Texas record: Law Enforcement Identification Number Inspection (Form VTR-68-A), completed by an auto theft investigator
- If commercial vehicle or truck: weight certificate
- If the vehicle is imported: Customs documents indicating that the vehicle was properly imported and is compliant or exempt from all Federal safety regulations.

Longview Regional Service Center 4549 W Loop 281 Longview, TX 75604 Phone: 903-237-2800

Bonded title instructions updated 9/9/2025

Application for Texas Title and/or Registration

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Application for Texas Title and/or Registration

General Instructions

With a few exceptions, you are entitled to be informed about the information the department collects about you. The Texas Government Code entitles you to receive and review the information and to request that the department correct any information about you that is incorrect. Please contact the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles at 1-888-368-4689 or 512-465-3000 for details.

This form must be completed and submitted to a county tax assessor-collector's office accompanied by any required application fee, supporting documents, registration fee, if applicable, and any motor vehicle tax due. An application form may be reproduced or faxed. A completed form must contain the original signature of the buyer. The seller's signature may be reproduced or faxed. All title applications must include one of the government-issued photo IDs listed in Box 15. Detailed instructions for completing this form are located in the Detailed Instructions for Application for Texas Title and/or Registration (Form VTR-130-UIF).

AVAILABLE HELP

- For assistance in completing this form, contact your county tax assessor-collector.
- For information about motor vehicle sales and use tax or emission fees, contact the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Tax Assistance Section, at 1-800-252-1382 toll free nationwide or call 512-463-4600.
- For title or registration information, contact your county tax assessor-collector or the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles at 1-888-368-4689 or 512-465-3000.

Additional Details

Title Only: License plates and registration insignia previously issued for this motor vehicle must be surrendered in accordance with Transportation Code §501.0275, if applicable, unless this vehicle displays a license plate under an applicable status of forces agreement. The following types of vehicles are not eligible for Title Only: construction machinery (unconventional vehicles), water well drilling units, machinery used exclusively for drilling water wells, construction machinery not designed to transport persons or property, implements of husbandry, farm equipment (including combines), golf carts, slow moving vehicles, or any vehicle with a suspended or revoked title.

Registration Purposes Only: Do not surrender an original out of state title with this application. A Texas title will NOT be issued for a vehicle applying for Registration Purposes Only. The receipt issued upon filing this application will serve as the registration receipt and proof of application for Registration Purposes Only.

• <u>Foreign Vehicles</u>: Foreign vehicles applying for Registration Purposes Only must attach DOT Form HS-7 or U.S. Customs Form CF-7501 to indicate the vehicle is: 1) over 25 years old, or 2) complies with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, or 3) is being imported in the United States for a temporary period by a nonresident or a member of the armed forces of a foreign country on assignment in the U.S., and does not conform to the Federal Motor Vehicle Standards and cannot be sold in the U.S.

Nontitle Registration: Certain trailers, farm equipment, construction machinery, oil well servicing machinery, water well drilling units, etc. are either exempt from, or not eligible for title, but are eligible for, or required to, obtain registration or a specialty plate in order to operate on the highway. Applicants should mark this box only when applicable. **Note**: A lien cannot be recorded on this type of application.

Notice

- The sales and use tax must be paid to the county tax assessor-collector within 30 days from the date of purchase or entry of the vehicle into Texas.
- A \$2.50 transfer fee is paid to transfer current registration to the new owner in addition to the title application fee and other applicable fees. If the registration is not current, full registration fees are due unless applying for Title Only.
- A 6.25 percent motor vehicle sales and use tax is imposed on the sales price (less trade-in allowance) of motor vehicles for use in Texas or a motor vehicle purchased outside of the state and later brought into this state by a Texas resident.
- Standard Presumptive Value (SPV) applies to private-party sales of most used motor vehicles purchased or brought into Texas. The tax is computed on the greater of the sales price or 80 percent of the SPV on the day of title application.
- New Texas residents are subject to a \$90 use tax on a vehicle brought into this state that was previously registered to the new resident in another state or foreign country. This is in lieu of the 6.25 percent use tax imposed on a Texas resident.
- A \$10 gift tax is due when a person receives a motor vehicle as a gift from an immediate family member, guardian, or a decedent's estate. A vehicle donated to, or given by, a non-profit service organization qualifying under IRC 501(c)(3) is also taxed as a gift. Both donor and recipient must sign the Comptroller's joint affidavit, *Affidavit of Motor Vehicle Gift Transfer* (Form 14-317). The affidavit and the title application must be submitted in person by either the donor or recipient.
- A transaction in which a motor vehicle is transferred to another person without payment of consideration and one that does not qualify as a gift described above is a sale and will be subject to tax calculated on the vehicle's standard presumptive value.
- A late penalty equal to 5 percent of the tax will be charged if the tax or surcharge is paid from 1 to 30 calendar days late. If more than 30 calendar days late, the penalty will be 10 percent of the tax; minimum penalty is \$1.
- In addition to the late tax payment penalty, Texas Transportation Code provides for an escalating delinquent transfer penalty of up to \$250 for failure to apply for title within 30 days from the date of title assignment. Submit this application along with proper evidence of ownership and appropriate valid proof of financial responsibility such as a liability insurance card or policy.
- All new residents applying for a Texas title and registration for a motor vehicle must file at a county tax assessor-collector's office within
 30 days of establishing residency. Texas law requires that all vehicles previously registered and titled or registered in another state or
 country must have the vehicle identification number verified before such vehicles may be registered in Texas. The verification may occur
 through an emissions inspection performed by a state appointed inspection station, or through self-certification by the applicant on this
 form.



Bonded Title Application or Tax Collector Hearing Statement of Fact

Ve	chicle Information									
Veh	icle Identification Number		Year	Make		Body Style	Мо	odel		
Veh	icle Purchased or Obtained From (Name of Individual or	Odometer Reading	(no tenths)	Purchas	se Date	Purcha \$	se Price			
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Provide an explanation for requesting a bonded title or tax assessor-collector hearing.										
Αŗ	pplication Questions – An answer	must be provi	ded to ALL que	stions				Yes	No	
1.	Do you live in Texas?									
2.	Are you military personnel stationed in Tex	as?								
3.	Has the vehicle been titled in Texas?									
4.	Is the vehicle you are attempting to title a nonrepairable vehicle?									
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7. Are you in legal control of the vehicle? If no, provide the physical location of the vehicle and short explanation.										
8. Was the vehicle manufactured for sale or distribution in the United States by a motor vehicle manufacturer? If no, proof of compliance with U.S. Department of Transportation safety requirements is required or evidence the vehicle is an assembled vehicle. If newly assembled, "Yes" is required for question 9.										
9.	Is the vehicle an assembled vehicle from ne If yes, a <i>Rebuilt Vehicle Statement</i> (Form VTR-61)		•		-	=				
10.	 Is the vehicle complete? A motor vehicle (such as a passenger car or pickup truck) must have a motor, body, and frame. A motorcycle must have a motor and frame. A trailer must have a bed, frame, and axle assembly. An incomplete motor vehicle will not be titled. 									
11.	Is the vehicle 25 or more years old? If yes, w	hat is the current	value of the vehicle	?\$						
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Bonded Title Application or Tax Collector Hearing Statement of Fact

Part 1: Requirements for Obtaining a Notice of Determination for a Bonded Title

Complete page 1 of this form and submit the following to a TxDMV Regional Service Center:

- 1. Both pages of this form, Bonded Title Application or Tax Collector Hearing Statement of Fact (VTR-130-SOF).
- 2. \$15.00 processing fee. Mailed fees must be in the form of a check or money order payable to the TxDMV. Temporary checks are not accepted. **Do not mail cash. Fees are non-refundable**.
- 3. Any evidence of ownership (such as a title, bill of sale, or canceled check) and/or any other available documentation.
- 4. The following additional documents, if applicable:
 - Rebuilt Vehicle Statement (Form VTR-61) if the vehicle is a salvage vehicle that has been repaired, rebuilt, or reconstructed or if the vehicle is newly assembled.
 - ASE inspection on Form VTR-64 or VTR-852 if the vehicle is newly assembled.
- 5. An original release(s) of lien or letter(s) of no interest if the vehicle has a lien of less than 10 years old.
- 6. If the vehicle does not have a Texas record, a vehicle identification number inspection completed by law enforcement on Form VTR-68-A is required.
- 7. If mailing this application to a TxDMV Regional Service Center, an email or phone number must be provided.

Each person signing this form must provide a copy of current government issued photo identification (ID). An ID that is expired not more than 12 months is considered current. An agent of the applicant must provide 1) a letter of signature authority on letterhead, printed business card, or an employee identification (all may be copies) and 2) a copy of their current government issued photo ID.

You may be required to leave this application and any additional documentation for processing.

Determining the Value of a Vehicle

Vehicle value is determined by the department using the Standard Presumptive Value (SPV) calculator found on the department's website at www.TxDMV.gov. If the SPV calculator does not return a value, the department will use a value from a national reference guide. If the department is unable to determine a value, you must obtain an appraisal from a licensed dealer or licensed insurance adjuster on a Motor Vehicle Appraisal for Tax Collector Hearing / Bonded Title (Form VTR-125). The appraisal must be legible, include the appraiser's business name, address, and license number; and must have the appraiser's original signature. Contact your local TxDMV Regional Service Center or visit our website at www.TxDMV.gov for additional information.

Part 2: Filing an Application for Texas Title and/or Registration

After this form is processed by a TxDMV Regional Service Center, the following must be submitted to your county tax assessor-collector's office for the bonded title to be processed or for the tax assessor-collector hearing to be held:

- 1. Application for Texas Title and/or Registration (Form 130-U).
- 2. Both pages of form Bonded Title Application or Tax Collector Hearing Statement of Fact (VTR-130-SOF).
- 3. Notice of Determination for a Bonded Title or Tax Assessor-Collector Hearing (VTR-130-ND) issued by the TxDMV Regional Service Center with all enclosures attached (all documentation submitted to the TxDMV Regional Service Center in Part 1).
- 4. If proceeding with a bonded title, the original bond (VTR-130-SB) purchased from the surety company (and the accompanying power of attorney, if applicable).
- 5. An original release(s) of lien or letter(s) of no interest if the vehicle has a lien of less than 10 years old.
- 6. Any evidence of ownership (such as a title, bill of sale, or canceled check) and/or any other available documentation.
- 7. If applying for registration:
 - Vehicle Inspection Report issued by a Texas vehicle safety inspection station or
 - Vehicle Identification Number Certification (Form VTR-270) if a certification option on the form applies.
- 8. Proof of financial responsibility (liability insurance) in the applicant's name if applying for registration.
- 9. Acceptable government issued photo ID (driver license, ID card, or U.S. or foreign passport, etc...).
- 10. A certified weight certificate for any out of state commercial vehicle or any vehicle whose weight cannot be determined.

TxDMV Department Use Only												
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TxDMV \$15 receipt for administrative processing fee provided?					Vel	Vehicle Value Established by:						
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Vehicle Value			TxDMV Trailer	Value				Bond Amount	(vehicle valu	ue x 1.5)		
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