

MINNESOTA

Definitions

Classic Car. Any motor vehicle manufactured between and including the years 1925 and 1948, and designated as a full classic car because of its fine design, high engineering standards, and superior workmanship, and owned and operated solely as a collector's item. No commercial vehicles such as hearses, ambulances, or trucks are considered to be classic cars.

Collector Military Vehicle. A motor vehicle, including a truck, shall be listed and registered under this section if it meets the following conditions:

(1) it is at least 20 years old;

(2) its first owner following its manufacture was a branch of the armed forces of the United States and it presently conforms to the vehicle specifications required during the time of military ownership, or it has been restored and presently conforms to the specifications required by a branch of the armed forces for the model year that the restored vehicle could have been owned by that branch of the armed forces; and

(3) it is owned by a nonprofit organization and operated solely as a collector's vehicle. For purposes of this subdivision, "nonprofit organization" means a corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for historical or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of a private individual.

Collector Vehicle. A motor vehicle for which the commissioner of public safety has issued a pioneer license, classic car license, collector license, or street rod license under section 168.10, or a motor vehicle registered as a collector vehicle in another state.

Essential Parts. All integral and body parts of a vehicle of a type for which a certificate of title is required hereunder, the removal, alteration, or substitution of which would tend to conceal the identity of the vehicle or substantially alter its appearance, model, type or mode of operation.

Identifying Number. The numbers, and letters, if any, on a vehicle designated by the department for the purpose of identifying the vehicle.

Late-Model Vehicle. A vehicle with a manufacturer's designated model year equal to or greater than the fifth calendar year immediately preceding the current calendar year.

Older Model Vehicle. A vehicle that is not a late-model vehicle.

Restored Pioneer Vehicle. A vehicle:

(1) for which a certificate of title is required under this chapter;

(2) originally manufactured prior to 1919;

(3) for which one or more essential parts, whether new or used, are replaced; and

(4) for which each essential part under clause (3) is replaced:

(i) only as necessary in order to restore or retain the character and appearance of the vehicle as originally manufactured;

(ii) in a manner which reasonably restores or retains the character and appearance of the vehicle as originally manufactured; and

(iii) in a manner which substantially conforms to the fit, form, and function of the original essential part.

(b) A vehicle meeting both the requirements under paragraph (a) and subdivision 16 for a reconstructed vehicle is a restored pioneer vehicle.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, replacement of an essential part includes, but is not limited to, removal, addition, modification, or substitution of the essential part.

Previously Registered Vehicle. A vehicle registered in this state on October 1, 1972 or a vehicle whose last registration before October 1, 1972 was in this state.

Reconstructed Vehicle. A vehicle of a type for which a certificate of title is required hereunder materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition, or substitution of essential parts, new or used.

(b) Reconstructed vehicle does not include a restored pioneer vehicle.

Specially Constructed Vehicle. Every vehicle of a type for which a certificate of title is required hereunder not originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of vehicles and not materially altered from its original construction.

Street Rod. Any modernized motor vehicle manufactured prior to the year 1949 or designed and manufactured to resemble such vehicle.

Minnesota DMV Guidance

GUIDE FOR RECONSTRUCTED AND SPECIALLY ASSEMBLED VEHICLES: Vehicles that have been reconstructed, or specially assembled, are subject to a motor vehicle inspection. Vehicle identification numbers must be left on all parts. If an identification number appears to have been tampered with or has been removed, a title may not be issued. If you are doing a reconstruction that would require the removal of a vehicle identification number (such as cutting the neck piece on a motorcycle for a custom rake), you must contact the Inspection Unit before beginning the reconstruction. They will provide you with additional assistance.

Required Application Documents:

- Completed Application to Title and/or Register a Motor Vehicle (PS2000)
- Completed Declaration of Reconstruction (PS2015). Please be specific about the alterations or reconstruction done to the vehicle.
- Proof of ownership for all major parts used in the reconstruction. Please note: If minimum proof of ownership for each cab, body or frame of a car or truck; or for the frame or major components of a motorcycle cannot be provided, the vehicle is subject to bonding. A statement of facts and an affidavit of protection must accompany the application for title (See back of this form for minimum ownership requirements).

Minnesota statute 168A.15 Subd. 3 does not allow DVS to issue titles for junked vehicles. A new title will not be issued to any vehicle with a title containing the words, "junked, non-repairable, scrapped, dismantled, or destroyed."

Minnesota Statute 235F.6642 requires any branding on a title of an out-of-state vehicle to be included on all future titles used for that vehicle. For example, if an out-of-state vehicle is branded as flood damaged, that will appear on any future Minnesota title that is issued for that vehicle.

Additional information or documents may be requested after application is reviewed by central office.

Minnesota Laws

From Minnesota Statutes:

M.S.A. § 168A.15 Reconstructed, scrapped, dismantled, or destroyed vehicle

Subdivision 1. Deleted by amendment, Laws 1988, c. 496, § 18.

Subd. 2. Certain unconventional vehicles; requirements to obtain certificate. If a vehicle is altered so as to become a reconstructed vehicle or restored pioneer vehicle, the owner shall apply for a certificate of title in the manner provided in section 168A.04, and any existing certificate of title to the vehicle shall be surrendered for cancellation.

Subd. 3. Title; scrapped, dismantled, or destroyed vehicle. A dealer who purchases a vehicle as scrap or to be dismantled or destroyed shall maintain the certificate of title on the vehicle for three years before destroying the title as prescribed by the commissioner. A certificate of title for the vehicle shall not again be issued.

Subd. 4. Motorcycle with new engine. (a) If the commissioner does not require that a new or amended title be issued and stamped as reconstructed or otherwise under this chapter for an automobile being operated with an engine that is not its original engine, then the commissioner shall not require that title issued for a motorcycle being operated with an engine that is not its original engine be stamped or otherwise labeled as reconstructed or otherwise.

(b) This subdivision does not prevent the commissioner from requiring that a new application be completed according to section 168A.04 and be filed with the commissioner. Upon receipt of the completed application and the old title, and subject to section 168A.05, subdivision 1, the commissioner shall issue another certificate of title, which must list the engine number, for the motorcycle with the nonoriginal engine.

M.S.A. § 168A.04. Form and content of application

Subdivision 1. Contents. The application for the first certificate of title of a vehicle or manufactured home in this state, or for reissuance of a certificate of title for a manufactured home under section 168A.142, shall be made by the owner to the department on the form prescribed by the department and shall contain:

- (1) the first, middle, and last names, the dates of birth, and addresses of all owners who are natural persons, the full names and addresses of all other owners;
- (2) a description of the vehicle or manufactured home including, so far as the following data exists, its make, model, year, identifying number in the case of a vehicle or serial number in the case of a manufactured home, type of body, and whether new or used;

(3) the date of purchase by applicant, the name and address of the person from whom the vehicle or manufactured home was acquired, the names and addresses of any secured parties in the order of their priority, and the dates of their respective security agreements;

(4) with respect to motor vehicles subject to the provisions of section 325E.15, the true cumulative mileage registered on the odometer or that the actual mileage is unknown if the odometer reading is known by the owner to be different from the true mileage;

(5) with respect to vehicles subject to section 325F.6641, whether the vehicle sustained damage by collision or other occurrence which exceeded 70 percent of the actual cash value; and

(6) any further information the department reasonably requires to identify the vehicle or manufactured home and to enable it to determine whether the owner is entitled to a certificate of title, and the existence or nonexistence and priority of any security interest in the vehicle or manufactured home.

Subd. 2. Secured party. If the application refers to a vehicle purchased from a dealer it shall contain the name and address of any secured party holding a security interest created or reserved at the time of the sale and the date of the security agreement and be signed by the dealer as well as the owner, and the dealer shall within ten days mail or deliver the application and appropriate taxes to the department.

Subd. 2a. Alternate mailing address. If the United States Postal Service will not deliver mail to the residence address of a registered owner who is an individual as listed on the title application, then the registered owner must provide verification from the United States Postal Service that mail will not be delivered to the registered owner's residence address and that mail will be delivered to a specified alternate mailing address. When an applicant provides an alternate mailing address under this subdivision, the commissioner shall use the alternate mailing address in lieu of the residence address for all notices and mailings to the registered owner.

Subd. 3. New vehicle; certificate of origin. If the application refers to a new vehicle it shall be accompanied by a manufacturer's or importer's certificate of origin.

Subd. 4. Vehicle last registered out of state. If the application refers to a vehicle last previously registered in another state or country, the application shall contain or be accompanied by:

(1) any certificate of title issued by the other state or country;

(2) any other information and documents the department reasonably requires to establish the ownership of the vehicle and the existence or nonexistence and priority of any security interest in it;

(3) the certificate of a person authorized by the department that the identifying number of the vehicle has been inspected and found to conform to the description given in the application, or any other proof of the identity of the vehicle the department reasonably requires; and

(4) with respect to vehicles subject to section 325F.6641, whether the vehicle sustained damage by collision or other occurrence which exceeded 70 percent of actual cash value. Damage, for the purpose of this calculation, does not include the actual cost incurred to repair, replace, or reinstall inflatable safety restraints and other vehicle components that must be replaced due to the deployment of the inflatable safety restraints.

Subd. 5. Certain unconventional vehicles; additional information; identifying number. (a) Except as provided in subdivision 6, if the application refers to a specially constructed vehicle, a reconstructed vehicle, or a restored pioneer vehicle, the application shall so state and shall contain or be accompanied by:

(1) any information and documents the department reasonably requires to establish the ownership of the vehicle and the existence or nonexistence and priority of security interests in it;

(2) the certificate of a person authorized by the department that the identifying number of the vehicle has been inspected and found to conform to the description given in the application, or any other proof of the identity of the vehicle the department reasonably requires; and

(3) at the time of application, a written certification to the department that the vehicle to be titled meets the requirements of chapter 169 for vehicles in its class regarding safety and acceptability to operate on public roads and highways.

(b) As part of the application for certificate of title on a restored pioneer vehicle, the applicant shall supply evidence of the manufacturer's year, make, model, and identifying number of the vehicle. A manufacturer's identifying number is valid under this paragraph if it matches a number permanently affixed, stamped, or otherwise assigned to at least one essential part of the motor vehicle, including but not limited to the engine block or the vehicle body. In the case of an insufficient application, the commissioner may require additional documentation to confirm the manufacturer's identifying number on the vehicle, including but not limited to photographic proof, copies of original vehicle catalogs, or certification letters from antique car collector organizations.

Subd. 6. Assembled motorcycles. (a) If the application refers to an assembled motorcycle, the application must so state and be accompanied by:

(1) a manufacturer's statement or certificate of origin from a recognized motorcycle manufacturer for the frame, complete engine or engine cases, provided that if a statement or certificate of origin is submitted for engine cases it must also be accompanied by copies of original documentation for cylinder heads, cylinders, flywheels, and piston and rod assemblies; and

(2) vendor receipts or copies of the receipts from suppliers on the transmission assembly, engine assembly, fork assembly, and front and rear wheel assemblies. If the applicant is a motorcycle assembler, the applicant must also provide copies of original vendor receipts for the assemblies listed in this clause.

(b) An assembled motorcycle for which the documentation required under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), has been submitted is not subject to the filing requirement of section 168A.07, subdivision 1, clause (2).

M.S.A. § 168A.07. Conditional registration

Subdivision 1. Ownership at issue; certificate withheld or bond filed. In the event application is made in this state for a certificate of title on a vehicle and the department is not satisfied as to the ownership of the vehicle or the existence of security interests therein, the vehicle may be registered but the department, subject to subdivision 1a, shall either:

(1) withhold issuance of a certificate of title until the applicant shall present documents reasonably sufficient to satisfy the department of the applicant's ownership of the vehicle and as to any security interest therein; or

(2) as a condition to issuing a certificate of title, require the applicant to file a bond in the form and amount provided in subdivision 1b.

Subd. 1a. Ownership at issue; requirements for certificate issuance. (a) In the event application is made in this state for a certificate of title on a vehicle with a model year designated by the manufacturer of more than five years prior to the year in which application is made, and the applicant is unable to establish sole ownership of the vehicle because one or more owners, prior owners, or lienholders cannot be found, the department shall issue a certificate of title to the applicant if the applicant submits:

(1) the application;

(2) a bond in the form and amount provided in subdivision 1b;

(3) an affidavit that identifies the make, model year, and vehicle identification number of the vehicle, and includes a statement that:

(i) the applicant is an owner of the vehicle;

(ii) the applicant has physical possession of the vehicle; and

(iii) in attempting to transfer interest in the vehicle or obtain a certificate of title or lien release, the applicant was unable after using due diligence to (A) determine the names or locations of one or more owners, prior owners, or lienholders; or (B) successfully contact one or more owners, prior owners, or lienholders known to the applicant; and

(4) payment for required taxes and fees.

(b) Unless the department has been notified of the pendency of an action to recover the bond under paragraph (a), clause (2), the department shall allow it to expire at the end of three years.

Subd. 1b. Bond requirements. A bond filed under this section must be in the form prescribed by the department and executed by the applicant, and either accompanied by the deposit of cash or executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, in an amount equal to 1- ½ times the value of the vehicle as determined by the department. The bond shall be conditioned to indemnify any prior owner and secured party and any subsequent purchaser of the vehicle or person acquiring any security interest therein, or the successor in interest of any said person, against any expense, loss, or damage, including reasonable attorneys' fees, by reason of the issuance of the certificate of title to the vehicle or on account of any defect in or undisclosed security interest upon the right, title and interest of the applicant in and to the vehicle. Any such interested person shall have a right of action to recover on such bond for any breach of its conditions, but the aggregate liability of the surety to all such persons shall in no event exceed the amount of the bond. Unless the department has been notified of the pendency of an action to recover on the bond and if all questions as to ownership and outstanding security interests have been resolved to the satisfaction of the department, such bond, and any deposit accompanying it, shall be returned at the end of three years or prior thereto in the event the vehicle is no longer registered in this state and the currently valid certificate of title is surrendered.

Subd. 2. Nontransferable certificate. In the event the issuance of a certificate of title is withheld in accordance with subdivision 1, or because the applicant is unable to surrender an existing certificate of title to the vehicle issued by another state, the department, upon payment of the same fee as for issuing a certificate of title, may issue to the applicant a nontransferable certificate in form designated by the department certifying that the applicant has applied for a certificate of title; provided that such certificate shall not be issued if the department has reasonable grounds to believe the applicant is not the owner or that the application contains a false or fraudulent statement.

Subd. 3. Fees. The filing fee to create a conditional registration shall conform with the fee provided in section 168.33, subdivision 7, paragraph (a), clause (3). A subsequent removal and clearing of a conditional registration is considered a separate transaction and requires payment of an additional filing fee of the same amount, provided the removal and clearing was initiated by a motor vehicle dealer licensed under section 168.27.

M.S.A. § 325F.6642. Title branding

Subdivision 1. Flood damage. If the application for title and registration indicates that the vehicle has been classified as a total loss vehicle because of water or flood damage, the registrar of motor vehicles shall record the term "flood damaged" on the certificate of title and all subsequent certificates of title issued for that vehicle.

Subd. 2. Total loss vehicles. Upon transfer and application for title to all total loss vehicles, the registrar of motor vehicles shall record the term "prior salvage" on the first Minnesota certificate of title and all subsequent Minnesota certificates of title used for that vehicle.

Subd. 3. Out-of-state vehicles. (a) Upon transfer and application for title of all repaired vehicles with out-of-state titles that bear the term "damaged," "salvage," "rebuilt," "reconditioned," or any similar term, the registrar of motor vehicles shall record the term "prior salvage" on the first Minnesota certificate of title and all subsequent Minnesota certificates of title used for that vehicle.

(b) The registrar shall mark "prior salvage" on the first Minnesota certificate of title and all subsequent certificates of title issued for any vehicle which came into the state unrepaired and for which a salvage certificate of title was issued.

(c) For vehicles with out-of-state titles which bear the term "flood damaged," the registrar of motor vehicles shall record the term "flood damaged" on the first Minnesota certificate of title and all subsequent Minnesota certificates of title issued for that vehicle.

(d) The registrar shall mark "prior salvage" on the first Minnesota certificate of title and all subsequent certificates of title issued for any vehicle that had a salvage certificate of title issued at any time in the vehicle's history by any other jurisdiction.

Subd. 4. Reconstructed vehicles. For vehicles that are reconstructed within the meaning of section 168A.15, the registrar shall record the term "reconstructed" on the certificate of title and all subsequent certificates of title.

Subd. 5. Manner of branding. The designation of "flood damaged," "rebuilt," "prior salvage," or "reconstructed" on a certificate of title shall be made by the registrar of motor vehicles in a clear and conspicuous manner, in a color different from all other writing on the certificate of title.

Subd. 6. Total loss vehicle; definition. For the purposes of this section, "total loss vehicle" means a vehicle damaged by collision or other occurrence, for which a salvage certificate of title has been issued. Total loss vehicle does not include a stolen and recovered vehicle verified by the insurer who declared the vehicle to be a total loss vehicle unless there is more than minimal damage to the vehicle as determined by the registrar.

Subd. 7. Dealer disclosure. If a licensed motor vehicle dealer offers for sale a vehicle with a branded title, the dealer shall orally disclose the existence of the brand in the course of the sales presentation.

Subd. 8. Flood damage; dealer lots. If a motor vehicle, which is part of a licensed motor vehicle dealer's inventory, has been submerged or flooded above the bottom of the dashboard while parked on the dealer's lot, the dealer must disclose that fact in writing to any buyer and must

orally disclose that fact in the course of a sales presentation to any prospective buyer. The buyer must also disclose the existence of the flood damage in writing to any subsequent buyer.

M.S.A. § 169.79. Vehicle registration; displaying license plates

Subdivision 1. Registration required. No person shall operate, drive, or park a motor vehicle on any highway unless the vehicle is registered in accordance with the laws of this state and has the number plates or permit confirming that valid registration or operating authority has been obtained, except as provided in sections 168.10 and 168.12, subdivision 2f, as assigned to it by the commissioner of public safety, conspicuously displayed thereon in a manner that the view of any plate or permit is not obstructed. A plate issued under section 168.27 or a permit issued under chapter 168 may be displayed on a vehicle in conjunction with expired registration whether or not it displays the license plate to which the last registration was issued.

Subd. 2. Semitrailer. If the vehicle is a semitrailer, the number plate displayed must be assigned to the registered owner and correlate to the documentation on file with the department.

Subd. 3. Rear display of single plate. If the vehicle is a motorcycle, motor scooter, motorized bicycle, motorcycle sidecar, trailer registered at greater than 3,000 pounds gross vehicle weight (GVW), semitrailer, or vehicle displaying a dealer plate, then one license plate must be displayed horizontally or vertically, for a motorcycle issued vertical license plates under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, with the identifying numbers and letters facing outward from the vehicle and must be mounted on the rear of the vehicle.

Subd. 3a. Small trailer. If the vehicle is a trailer with 3,000 pounds or less GVW with lifetime registration, the numbered plate or sticker must be adhered to the side of the trailer frame tongue near the hitch.

Subd. 4. Collector's vehicle. If the vehicle is (1) a collector's vehicle with a pioneer, classic car, collector, or street rod license; (2) a vehicle that meets the requirements of a pioneer, classic, or street rod vehicle except that the vehicle is used for general transportation purposes; or (3) a vehicle that is of model year 1972 or earlier, not registered under section 168.10, subdivision 1c, and is used for general transportation purposes, then one plate must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle, or one plate on the front and one on the rear, at the discretion of the owner.

Subd. 5. Truck-tractor, road-tractor, or farm truck. If the vehicle is a truck-tractor, road-tractor, or farm truck, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 8, but excluding from that definition semitrailers and trailers, then one plate must be displayed on the front of the vehicle.

Subd. 6. Other motor vehicles. If the motor vehicle is any kind of motor vehicle other than those provided for in subdivisions 2 to 4, one plate must be displayed on the front and one on the rear of the vehicle.

Subd. 7. Plate fastened and visible. All plates must be (1) securely fastened so as to prevent them from swinging, (2) displayed horizontally with the identifying numbers and letters facing outward from the vehicle, and (3) mounted in the upright position. The person driving the motor vehicle shall keep the plate legible and unobstructed and free from grease, dust, or other blurring material so that the lettering is plainly visible at all times. It is unlawful to cover any assigned letters and numbers or the name of the state of origin of a license plate with any material whatever, including any clear or colorless material that affects the plate's visibility or reflectivity.

Subd. 8. Plate registration stickers. As viewed facing the plates:

(a) License plates issued to vehicles registered under section 168.017 must display the month of expiration in the lower left corner of each plate and the year of expiration in the lower right corner of each plate.

(b) License plates issued to vehicles registered under section 168.127 must display either fleet registration validation stickers in the lower right corner of each plate or distinctive license plates, issued by the registrar, with "FLEET REG" displayed on the bottom center portion of each plate.

(c) License plates issued after July 1, 2008, requiring validation must display the month of expiration in the lower left corner of each plate and the year of expiration in the lower right corner of the plate.

Subd. 9. Tax-exempt vehicle marking. Vehicles displaying tax-exempt plates issued under section 16B.581 or 168.012 must have vehicle markings that comply with section 168.012, subdivision 1.

M.S.A. § 168.09. Registration; reregistration

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Subd. 7. Display of temporary permit. (a) A vehicle that displays a Minnesota plate issued under this chapter may display a temporary permit in conjunction with expired registration if:

- (1) the current registration tax and all other fees and taxes have been paid in full; and
- (2) the plate has been applied for.

(b) A vehicle may display a temporary permit in conjunction with expired registration, with or without a registration plate, if:

- (1) the plates have been applied for;
- (2) the registration tax and other fees and taxes have been paid in full; and

(3) either **the vehicle is used solely as a collector vehicle while displaying the temporary permit and not used for general transportation purposes** or the vehicle was issued a 21-day permit under section 168.092, subdivision 1.

(c) The permit is valid for a period of 60 days. The permit must be in a format prescribed by the commissioner and whenever practicable must be posted upon the driver's side of the rear window on the inside of the vehicle. The permit is valid only for the vehicle for which it was issued to allow a reasonable time for the new plates to be manufactured and delivered to the applicant. The permit may be issued only by the commissioner or by a deputy registrar under section 168.33.

M.S.A. § 168.10. Registration; collector vehicle

Subdivision 1. Application. (a) Except as provided in subdivisions 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1g, and 1h, every owner of any motor vehicle in this state, not exempted by section 168.012 or 168.26, shall as soon as registered ownership of a motor vehicle is acquired and annually thereafter during the period provided in section 168.31, file with the commissioner of public safety on a blank provided by the commissioner a listing for taxation and application for the registration of such vehicle, stating the first, middle and last names, the date of birth, and the address of the primary residence of each registered owner thereof who is a natural person or mailing address if the address of the primary residence has been classified as private data under this chapter, the full name and address of any other registered owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, make of motor vehicle, year and number of the model, manufacturer's identification number or serial number, type of body, the weight of the vehicle in pounds, for trailers only, its rated load carrying capacity and for buses only, its seating capacity, and such other information as the commissioner may require. Any false statement willfully and knowingly made in regard thereto shall be deemed perjury and punished accordingly. The listing and application for registration by dealers or manufacturers' agents within the state, of motor vehicles received for sale or use within the state shall be accepted as compliance with the requirements of this chapter, imposed upon the manufacturer.

(b) Registration shall be refused a motor vehicle if the original identification or serial number has been destroyed, removed, altered, covered, or defaced. However, if the commissioner is satisfied on the sworn statements of the registered owner or registered owners or such other persons as the commissioner may deem advisable that the applicant is the legal owner, a special identification number in the form prescribed by the commissioner shall be assigned to the motor vehicle. When it has been determined that the number had been affixed to such vehicle in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, the vehicle may thereafter be registered in the same manner as other motor vehicles. In the case of a new or rebuilt motor vehicle manufactured or assembled without an identification or serial number, the commissioner may assign an identification number to the motor vehicle in the same manner as prescribed heretofore.

Subd. 1a. Collector's vehicle, pioneer plate. (a) Any motor vehicle that: (1) was manufactured prior to 1936 or is a restored pioneer vehicle, as defined in section 168A.01, subdivision 16a; and (2) is owned and operated solely as a collector's item, shall be listed for taxation and registration as provided by paragraph (b).

(b) An affidavit shall be executed stating the name and address of the owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the make of the motor vehicle, year and number of the model, the manufacturer's identification number and that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes. If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list such vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue a single number plate.

(c) The number plate so issued shall bear the inscription "Pioneer," "Minnesota" and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plate is valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner has the power to revoke said plate for failure to comply with this subdivision.

Subd. 1b. Collector's vehicle, classic car plate. (a) Any motor vehicle manufactured between and including the years 1925 and 1948, and designated as a full classic car because of its fine design, high engineering standards, and superior workmanship, and owned and operated solely as a collector's item shall be listed for taxation and registration as follows: An affidavit shall be executed stating the name and address of the owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the make of the motor vehicle, year and number of the model, the manufacturer's identification number, verification of the vehicle's full classic car status from nationally published standards and guides as determined by the registrar, and that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes. If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and that the motor vehicle qualifies to be classified as a classic car, and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list such vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue a single number plate.

(b) The number plate so issued shall bear the inscription "Classic Car," "Minnesota," and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plate is valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner has the power to revoke said plate for failure to comply with this subdivision.

(c) No commercial vehicles such as hearses, ambulances, or trucks are considered to be classic cars.

Subd. 1c. Collector's vehicle, collector plate. (a) The owner of any self-propelled motor vehicle, including any truck, (1) that is (i) at least 20 model years old, or (ii) at least ten model years old

and with a body or engine style of which not more than 500 were manufactured in or imported into the United States in any model year, (2) that was manufactured after 1935, and (3) that is owned and operated solely as a collector's vehicle, shall list the vehicle for taxation and registration as provided in paragraph (b).

(b) The owner shall execute an affidavit stating (1) the name and address of the person from whom purchased and of the new owner, (2) the make of the motor vehicle, (3) the year and number of the model, (4) the manufacturer's identification number, (5) in the case of a vehicle described in paragraph (a), clause (1)(ii), that the vehicle has a body or engine style of which not more than 500 were manufactured or imported into the United States in any model year, and (6) that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes.

(c) The owner shall provide a statement of the manufacturer or importer regarding the number of vehicles manufactured or imported during the model year.

(d) The owner shall also prove that the owner also has one or more vehicles with regular license plates.

(e) If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list the vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue a single number plate.

(f) The number plate issued shall bear the inscription "Collector," "Minnesota," and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plate is valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner has the power to revoke the plate for failure to comply with this subdivision.

Subd. 1d. Collector's vehicle, street rod plate. Any modernized motor vehicle manufactured prior to the year 1949 or designed and manufactured to resemble such vehicle shall be listed for taxation and registration as follows:

An affidavit shall be executed stating the name and address of the person from whom purchased and of the new owner, the make of the motor vehicle, year number of model, and the manufacturer's identification number. The affidavit shall further state that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a street rod and not for general transportation purposes. The owner must also prove that the owner has one or more vehicles with regular license plates. If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list such vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue a single number plate.

The number plate issued shall bear the inscription "Street Rod," "Minnesota," and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plate is valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is

in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner has the power to revoke such plate for failure to comply with this subdivision.

Subd. 1e. Outdoor storage. Pioneer, classic, collector vehicles, collector military vehicles, or street rods, licensed or unlicensed, operable or inoperable, may be stored in compliance with local government zoning and ordinances on their owners' property, provided that the vehicles and any outdoor storage areas they may require are maintained in such a manner that they do not constitute a health or environmental hazard and are screened from ordinary public view by means of a fence, shrubbery, rapidly growing trees or other appropriate means. The appropriate local agency or authority may inform an owner of the owner's failure to comply with these requirements, and may order the vehicles removed from the outdoor storage area if the owner fails to comply with these requirements within 20 days after the warning.

Subd. 1f. Equipment. Any pioneer, classic, collector vehicle, collector military vehicle, or street rod shall have all equipment, in operating condition, which was specifically required by law as a condition for its first sale after manufacture.

No law requiring any particular equipment or specifying any standards to be met by motor vehicles shall apply to pioneer, classic, collector vehicles, collector military vehicles, or street rods unless it specifically so states.

Subd. 1g. Original plates. A vehicle registered pursuant to subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c or 1d may in lieu of being issued number plates by the commissioner display original Minnesota number plates issued in the same year as the model year of the car on which they are displayed. The number of the original plates must be provided to the commissioner. The original plates must be in good condition. Original Minnesota number plates shall not be used if the number on the original plate is identical to a number on any current plate or any other plate in a numbering system used by the commissioner without written authorization from the commissioner. Any person currently using plates issued pursuant to subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c or 1d shall return those plates to the commissioner before substituting original plates. The commissioner shall charge a fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12, subdivision 5, for registering the number on original plates.

Subd. 1h. Collector military vehicle. (a) A motor vehicle, including a truck, shall be listed and registered under this section if it meets the following conditions:

(1) it is at least 20 years old;

(2) its first owner following its manufacture was a branch of the armed forces of the United States and it presently conforms to the vehicle specifications required during the time of military ownership, or it has been restored and presently conforms to the specifications required by a branch of the armed forces for the model year that the restored vehicle could have been owned by that branch of the armed forces; and

(3) it is owned by a nonprofit organization and operated solely as a collector's vehicle. For purposes of this subdivision, "nonprofit organization" means a corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for historical or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of a private individual.

(b) The owner of the vehicle shall execute an affidavit stating the name and address of the person from whom purchased and of the new owner; the make, year, and model number of the motor vehicle; the manufacturer's identification number; and the collector military vehicle identification number, if any, located on the exterior of the vehicle. The affidavit must affirm that the vehicle is owned by a nonprofit organization and is operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes. If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list the vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue number plates. The number plates shall bear the inscriptions "Collector" and "Minnesota" and the registration number, but no date. The number plates are valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner may revoke the plates for failure to comply with this subdivision.

(c) Notwithstanding section 168.09, 168.12, or other law to the contrary, the owner of a registered collector military vehicle is not required to display registration plates on the exterior of the vehicle if the vehicle has an exterior number identification that conforms to the identifying system for military vehicles in effect when the vehicle was last owned by the branch of the armed forces of the United States or in effect in the year to which the collector military vehicle has been restored. However, the state registration plates must be carried in or on the collector military vehicle at all times.

(d) The owner of a registered collector military vehicle that is not required to display registration plates under paragraph (c) may tow a registered trailer behind it. The trailer is not required to display registration plates if the trailer:

- (1) does not exceed a gross weight of 15,000 pounds;
- (2) otherwise conforms to registration, licensing, and safety laws and specifications;
- (3) conforms to military specifications for appearance and identification;
- (4) is intended to represent and does represent a military trailer; and
- (5) carries registration plates on or in the trailer or the collector military vehicle towing the trailer.

(e) This subdivision does not apply to a decommissioned military vehicle that (1) was also manufactured and sold as a comparable civilian vehicle, and (2) has the same size dimensions and vehicle weight as the comparable civilian vehicle. A decommissioned military vehicle under

this paragraph is eligible for a motor vehicle title under chapter 168A and is subject to the same registration, insurance, equipment, and operating requirements as a motor vehicle.

Subd. 1i. Collector plate transfer. Notwithstanding section 168.12, subdivision 1, on payment of a transfer fee of \$5, plates issued under this section may be transferred to another vehicle owned or jointly owned by the person to whom the special plates were issued or the plate may be assigned to another owner. In addition to the transfer fee a new owner must pay the \$25 tax and any fee required by section 168.12, subdivision 2a. The \$5 fee must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1. License plates issued under this section may not be transferred to a vehicle not eligible for the collector's vehicle license plates.

Subd. 2. New body; application. Upon the installation of a new body or the addition to or change of type of any body in or upon any registered motor vehicle, the owner shall file with the registrar a new application setting forth such change, together with the payment of any additional tax to which the motor vehicle by such change has become subject, and shall apply for a revision of the registration made.

Subd. 3. Offenses. It shall be unlawful for any person:

(1) to display or cause to be displayed or to possess any canceled, revoked, suspended or fraudulently obtained or stolen registration plates;

(2) to lend the person's registration plates to another or knowingly to permit the use thereof by another;

(3) to display or represent as the person's own any registration plates not issued to that person; provided, however, this shall not apply to any legal change of ownership of the motor vehicle to which the plates are attached, nor shall this apply to any transfer of collector plates under subdivision 1i;

(4) to fail or refuse to surrender to the department upon its lawful demand any registration plates which have been revoked, canceled, or suspended by proper authority;

(5) to use a false or fictitious name or address or description of the motor vehicle, identification number, or serial number in any application for registration of a motor vehicle or to knowingly make a false statement or to knowingly conceal a material fact or otherwise commit a fraud in any such application;

(6) to destroy, alter, remove, cover or deface the identification or serial number of any motor vehicle or to knowingly operate any motor vehicle the identification or serial number of which has been destroyed, altered, removed, covered or defaced without first making application for assignment of a special identification number as provided by law.

Subd. 4. Violation. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter unless such violation is by this chapter or other laws of this state declared to be a felony or gross misdemeanor.

M.S.A. § 168.12. Plates

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Subd. 2f. Original license plates. (a) On application of the owner and in lieu of issuing plates under subdivision 1 to a motor vehicle registered and taxed as a passenger automobile, the commissioner may assign to the motor vehicle original Minnesota registration plates issued in the same year as the model year of the motor vehicle, if (1) the original plates are at least 20 years old, (2) the owner of the motor vehicle has the original plates in possession at the time of the application, and (3) the owner provides the plate number to the commissioner.

(b) Plates displayed under this subdivision, including stickers applied to the plates, must be clearly legible and must be displayed on the motor vehicle.

(c) The commissioner shall not assign the registration number on the original plates to the motor vehicle if the commissioner determines that the number on the original plate is identical to the number on any plate in the current or reserved numbering system used by the commissioner.

(d) Despite subdivision 1, an original plate whose number has been assigned under this subdivision may be displayed for as long as the plates, including tabs and stickers on the plates, are clearly legible and the number is not subsequently used by the commissioner as a plate number in a registration numbering system.

(e) Despite subdivision 1, original plates assigned under this subdivision need not bear a tab or sticker to indicate the month or year of registration if the motor vehicle carries the registration certificate issued under section 168.11 at all times when the motor vehicle is operated on the public highways.

(f) The commissioner may charge a fee for receiving an application and assigning original plate numbers.

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M.S.A. § 297B.025. Older passenger automobile

Subdivision 1. Noncollector vehicle. Purchase or use of a passenger automobile as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 24, shall be taxed pursuant to section 297B.02, subdivision 2, if the passenger automobile (1) is in the tenth or subsequent year of vehicle life, and (2) does not have a resale value of \$3,000 or more, as determined using nationally recognized sources of information on automobile resale values, as designated by the registrar of motor vehicles.

Subd. 2. Collector vehicle. A passenger automobile that is registered under section 168.10, subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, or 1h, or a fire truck registered under section 168.10, subdivision 1c, shall be taxed under section 297B.02, subdivision 3. If the vehicle is subsequently registered in another class not under section 168.10, subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, or 1h, within one year of the date of registration under those subdivisions, it shall be subject to the full excise tax imposed under subdivision 1.

M.S.A. § 297B.02. Tax imposed

Subdivision 1. Rate. There is imposed an excise tax of 6.5 percent on the purchase price of any motor vehicle purchased or acquired, either in or outside of the state of Minnesota, which is required to be registered under the laws of this state.

The excise tax is also imposed on the purchase price of motor vehicles purchased or acquired on Indian reservations when the tribal council has entered into a sales tax on motor vehicles refund agreement with the state of Minnesota.

Subd. 2. In lieu tax for older passenger automobile. In lieu of the tax imposed in subdivision 1, there is imposed a tax of \$10 on the purchase price of any passenger automobile described in section 297B.025, subdivision 1.

Subd. 3. In lieu tax for collector vehicle. In lieu of the tax imposed in subdivision 1, there is imposed a tax of \$150 on the purchase price of a passenger automobile or a fire truck described in section 297B.025, subdivision 2.

Minnesota Equipment Exemptions

M.S.A. § 169.57. Vehicle signals

Subdivision 1. Stoplights. (a) Any vehicle may be equipped and when required under this chapter, shall be equipped with at least two stop lamps on the rear which shall emit a red or yellow light and which shall be actuated upon application of the service (foot) brake and which may, but need not be, incorporated with the tail lamps and which shall be plainly visible and understandable from a distance of 100 feet to the rear during normal sunlight and at night.

(b) No person shall sell or offer for sale or operate on the highways any motor vehicle registered in this state and **manufactured or assembled after January 1, 1960**, unless it is equipped with at least two stop lamps meeting the requirements of this subdivision, except that a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or truck-tractor manufactured or assembled after said date shall be equipped with at least one stop lamp meeting the requirements of this subdivision.

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M.S.A. § 169.64. Prohibited lights; exceptions

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Subd. 4. Blue light. (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) to (d), blue lights are prohibited on all vehicles except road maintenance equipment and snow removal equipment operated by or under contract to the state or a political subdivision thereof.

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(d) A motor vehicle may display a blue light of up to one-inch diameter as part of the vehicle's rear brake light if:

- (1) the vehicle is a **collector vehicle**, as described in section 168.10; or
- (2) the vehicle is **eligible to display a collector plate** under section 168.10.

M.S.A. § 169.73. Bumpers, safeguards

Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) As used in this section, "private passenger vehicle" means a four-wheeled passenger automobile as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 24; a van as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 40; a pickup truck as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 26; and a jeep-type automobile or other multipurpose vehicle. "Private passenger vehicle" **does not include a collector vehicle or collector military vehicle as defined in section 168.10.**

(b) "Suspension system" includes both the front and rear wheels and tires of a vehicle as specified in subdivision 3.

Subd. 2. Bumper requirement. All private passenger vehicles shall be equipped with front and rear bumpers, except that pickup trucks and vans shall be equipped with front bumpers and with either rear bumpers or reflectors.

Subd. 3. Bumper restrictions. No person shall operate a private passenger vehicle that: (a) was originally equipped with bumpers as standard equipment, unless the vehicle is equipped with bumpers equal to the original equipment; or (b) has a suspension system or body so modified that the height of the vehicle or any bumpers varies more than six inches from the original manufactured height for the vehicle.

Subd. 4. Maximum bumper height. (a) Notwithstanding the restrictions contained in subdivision 3, bumpers required under this section shall not exceed a height of (1) 20 inches on any passenger automobile or station wagon or (2) 25 inches on any four-wheel drive multipurpose type vehicle, van as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 40, or pickup truck as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 26, when the vehicle is being operated on a public highway. The height of the bumper shall be determined by measuring from the bottom of the bumper, excluding any vertical bumper attachments, to the ground. A vehicle which has an original bumper which does not exceed a height of 30 inches may be modified by attaching a full width bumper to the regular bumper to meet the height requirement. The attached bumper must be at least 4.5 inches in vertical height, be centered on the vehicle's centerline, extend at least ten inches on either side of the frame, and be attached to the frame in at least four places with angle braces at no less than 45 degrees so that it effectively transfers impact to an extent equal to or greater than the original bumper.

(b) Competent evidence that a vehicle was originally manufactured with bumpers higher than prescribed in this subdivision shall be an affirmative defense in any action under this section.

Subd. 4a. Rear-end protection for other vehicles. (a) Vehicles other than private passenger vehicles, collector vehicles, collector military vehicles, and other vehicles specifically exempted by law from such requirements must meet the rear-end protection requirements of federal motor carrier regulations, Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 393.86.

(b) Notwithstanding contrary regulations cited in paragraph (a), a truck-tractor and semitrailer combination with a semitrailer length longer than 50 feet whose frame or body extends more than 36 inches beyond the rear of its rearmost axle must not be operated on the highways of this state unless equipped with a bumper or underride guard on the extreme rear of the frame or body. The bumper or underride guard must:

(1) provide a continuous horizontal beam having a maximum ground clearance of 22 inches, as measured with the vehicle empty and on level ground; and

(2) extend to within four inches of the lateral extremities of the semitrailer on both left and right sides.

Subd. 5. Misdemeanor. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

M.S.A. § 239.791. Oxygenated gasoline

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Subd. 12. Exemption for collector vehicle and off-road use. (a) A person responsible for the product may offer for sale, sell, or dispense at a retail gasoline station for use in collector vehicles or vehicles eligible to be licensed as collector vehicles, off-road vehicles, motorcycles, boats, snowmobiles, or small engines, gasoline that is not oxygenated in accordance with subdivision 1 if the person meets the conditions in paragraphs (b) to (d). If the nonoxygenated gasoline is for use in a small engine, it must be dispensed into a can with a capacity of six or fewer gallons.

(b) The nonoxygenated gasoline must be unleaded premium grade as defined in section 239.751, subdivision 4.

(c) No more than one storage tank on the premises of the retail gasoline station may be used for storage of the nonoxygenated gasoline offered for sale, sold, or dispensed by the station.

(d) The pump stands must be posted with a permanent notice stating:

“NONOXYGENATED GASOLINE. FOR USE IN COLLECTOR VEHICLES OR VEHICLES ELIGIBLE TO BE LICENSED AS COLLECTOR VEHICLES, OFF-ROAD VEHICLES, MOTORCYCLES, BOATS, SNOWMOBILES, OR SMALL ENGINES ONLY.”

This notice must be posted at least two feet above the ground. A retail gasoline station that sells nonoxygenated premium gasoline as defined in section 239.791, subdivision 15, must register every two years with the director, or an entity appointed by the director, on forms approved by the director, the total amount of nonoxygenated premium gasoline sold annually.

M.S.A. § 169.62. Certain lights permitted on old motor vehicles

Headlamps arranged to provide a single distribution of light not supplemented by auxiliary driving lamps shall be permitted on motor **vehicles manufactured and sold prior to January 1, 1938**, in lieu of multiple-beam road-lighting equipment herein specified if the single distribution of light complies with the following requirements and limitations:

(a) The headlamps shall be so aimed that when the vehicle is fully loaded none of the high-intensity portion of the lamp beam rises above a horizontal plane passing through the headlamp centers parallel to the level surface upon which the vehicle stands, and in no case higher than 42 inches above the level on which the vehicle stands at a distance of 75 and more feet ahead.

(b) The intensity shall be sufficient to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least 200 feet.

M.S.A. § 169.686. Seat belt use required; penalty

Subdivision 1. Seat belt requirement. (a) Except as provided in section 169.685, a properly adjusted and fastened seat belt, including both the shoulder and lap belt when the vehicle is so equipped, shall be worn by the driver and passengers of a passenger vehicle, commercial motor vehicle, type III vehicle, and type III Head Start vehicle. Notwithstanding the equipment exemption in section 169.685, subdivision 1, this paragraph applies to the driver and passengers of an autocycle equipped with seat belts.

(b) A person who is 15 years of age or older and who violates paragraph (a) is subject to a fine of \$25. The driver of the vehicle in which a violation occurs is subject to a \$25 fine for each violation of paragraph (a) by the driver or by a passenger under the age of 15, but the court may not impose more than one surcharge under section 357.021, subdivision 6, on the driver. The Department of Public Safety shall not record a violation of this subdivision on a person's driving record.

(c) The driver of a bus is not subject to the fine under paragraph (b) for a violation of paragraph (a) by a passenger under the age of 15. This paragraph does not apply to (1) a school bus, including a type III vehicle; and (2) a Head Start bus, including a type III Head Start vehicle.

Subd. 1a. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Passenger vehicle" means:

(1) a passenger automobile defined in section 168.002, subdivision 24;

(2) a pickup truck;

(3) a van;

(4) a commuter van, as defined in section 168.126; and

(5) a recreational vehicle, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 27.

(c) "Passenger vehicle" does not include a motorcycle, motorized bicycle, bus, school bus, a vehicle designed to operate exclusively on railroad tracks, a farm truck as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 8, or special mobile equipment as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 31.

(d) "Pickup truck" means a truck, regardless of manufacturer's nominal rated carrying capacity, that is commonly known as a pickup truck.

(e) "Van" means a vehicle, regardless of the manufacturer's nominal rated carrying capacity, of a box-like design that (1) has no barrier or separation between the operator's area and the remainder of the cargo-carrying area, or (2) is designed to carry 15 or fewer passengers, including the driver.

Subd. 2. Seat belt exemptions. **This section shall not apply to:**

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(6) a person driving or riding in a passenger vehicle manufactured before January 1, 1965; and

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**MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES DIVISION
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DECLARATION OF RECONSTRUCTION/SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

It is against Federal and State laws to tamper with or remove a vehicle identification number (VIN) plate or label. Destruction, removal, alteration, covering or defacement of the original vehicle identification number may be cause for the Department to refuse to title or register your vehicle. Reconstructed and specially assembled vehicles are subject to a motor vehicle inspection.

Side A - Cars/Trucks/Pickups

This declaration must accompany the application to title your reconstructed or specially assembled vehicle. Original titles, manufacturer's certificates of origin and/or receipts for all major parts used in the reconstruction must accompany this declaration. Please refer to the Guide for Reconstructed Vehicles for minimum proof of ownership requirements.

Current License Plate Number:

Current Title Number:

Part	Part Number/VIN of Parts Vehicle	Obtained From
Body Cab		
Frame Chassis		
Doors		
Fender		
Bumper		
Quarter Panel		
Front End Assembly		
Rear Clip		
Engine		
Transmission		
Hood		
Roof		

Other Changes: Describe fully any other changes such as cutting down the body or frame, changes of springs, wheels, axles, etc.

The person who made the repairs must sign this form.

Important: *Minnesota Statute 168A.30 provides that falsifying information on any required document shall be guilty of a felony.*

This serves as written confirmation to the Department of Public Safety that the vehicle to be titled meets the requirements of M.S. Chapter 169 for vehicles in its class regarding safety and acceptability to operate on public roads and highways.

Repair Shop Name/Phone

Owner's Name

X

Assembler's/Rebuilder's Signature

Side B- Motorcycles

This declaration must accompany the application to title your reconstructed or specially assembled motorcycle. Original titles, manufacturer's certificates of origin and/or receipts for all major parts used in the construction must accompany this declaration. Please refer to the Guide For Reconstructed Vehicles for minimum proof of ownership requirements. If you are doing a reconstruction that would require the removal of a vehicle identification number (VIN), such as cutting the neck piece for a custom rake, you must contact the Inspection Unit at (651) 282-2173 before beginning the reconstruction.

Current License Plate Number:

Current Title Number:

Part	Part Number/VIN of Parts Vehicle	Obtained From
Frame		
Engine Engine Cases <i>Note: If the engine was not purchased as a complete assembly, receipts for motor parts and cases required.</i>		
Transmission <i>Note: If the transmission was not purchased as a complete assembly, receipts for transmission parts and cases are required.</i>		
Fork Assembly		
Front Wheel Assembly		
Rear Wheel Assembly		

Other Changes: Describe fully any other changes such as cutting down the body or frame, changes of springs, wheels, axles, etc.

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Repair Shop Name/Phone

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Assembler's/Rebuilder's Signature



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GUIDE FOR RECONSTRUCTED AND SPECIALLY ASSEMBLED VEHICLES

Vehicles that have been reconstructed, or specially assembled, are subject to a motor vehicle inspection. Vehicle identification numbers **must** be left on all parts. If an identification number appears to have been tampered with or has been removed, a title may not be issued.

If you are doing a reconstruction that would require the removal of a vehicle identification number (such as cutting the neck piece on a motorcycle for a custom rake), you must contact the Inspection Unit **before** beginning the reconstruction. They will provide you with additional assistance.

Required Application Documents:

- **Completed Application to Title and/or Register a Motor Vehicle (PS2000)**
- **Completed Declaration of Reconstruction (PS2015).** Please be specific about the alterations or reconstruction done to the vehicle.
- **Proof of ownership** for all major parts used in the reconstruction.
Please note: If minimum proof of ownership for each cab, body or frame of a car or truck; or for the frame or major components of a motorcycle cannot be provided, the vehicle is subject to bonding. A statement of facts and an affidavit of protection must accompany the application for title (See back of this form for minimum ownership requirements).
- If the vehicle was inspected prior to making application, an inspection report marked "passed" and signed by the inspector who conducted the inspection, must also be submitted.

Minnesota statute 168A.15 Subd. 3 does not allow DVS to issue titles for junked vehicles. A new title will not be issued to any vehicle with a title containing the words, "junked, non-repairable, scrapped, dismantled, or destroyed."

Minnesota Statute 235F.6642 requires any branding on a title of an out-of-state vehicle to be included on all future titles used for that vehicle. For example, if an out-of-state vehicle is branded as flood damaged, that will appear on any future Minnesota title that is issued for that vehicle.

Additional information or documents may be requested after application is reviewed by central office.

Contacts:

For additional information regarding title applications, forms, registration and fees, contact Driver and Vehicle Services Division's *Public Information Center (651) 297-2126*

For information regarding vehicle inspections contact:

*Motor Vehicle Inspections Unit at (651) 282-2173
or via email at dvs.motor.vehicles@state.mn.us*

Minimum Proof of Ownership Requirements

Parts	Document Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used Truck Cab • Used Car Body • Front Clip, if the clip includes public identification number • Used motorcycle frame 	A Certificate of Title
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used Car/Truck Frame • Used motorcycle engine 	A copy of the title (Acceptable only when accompanied by bills of sales, which identify the vehicle)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kit Car • New Aftermarket motorcycle frame • New Aftermarket motorcycle motor or motor cases 	Manufacturers Certificate of Origin
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used Car/Truck Frame • Used Car or Truck Body/Cab, if purchased from a Minnesota licensed parts dealer. A copy of the dealers junk report may also be required. 	<p>Original Letterhead Receipts (Receipts must include vehicle identification number of parts vehicle)</p> <p>Note: Dealers/Rebuilders cannot submit shop receipts from their inventory when the application for title is in the name of the dealer/assembler or rebuilder. They must provide a source receipt from the party from which the part was obtained.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Car/Truck Door, Fender, Quarter Panel, Bumper, Engine (call Inspection Unit for collector vehicles), Transmission, Rear Clip, Front Clip (If the clip includes public identification number, a title is required.), other miscellaneous parts. • For Motorcycle Transmission Assembly, Engine Assembly, Front Fork Assembly and Handle Bars, Front Wheel Assembly, Rear Wheel Assembly, Seat, Gas Tank, Fenders and Wiring Harness. 	<p>Original Letterhead Receipts (Vehicle Identification Number not required)</p> <p>Note: Dealers/Assemblers/Rebuilders cannot submit shop receipts from their inventory when the application for title is in the name of the dealer, assembler or rebuilder. They must provide a source receipt from the party from which the part was obtained.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement Cab, or Frame, purchased directly from manufacturer. In such situations, the invoice is from the manufacturer to dealer. We would also require a receipt from the dealer to retail customer. 	Original Factory Invoice

Please Note: Additional information or documents may be requested after application is reviewed by central office. Under M.S. 168A.07, the department may require that the applicant obtain a surety bond to protect the State against any possible claim of ownership when minimum proof of ownership cannot be provided.

Schedule of Vehicle Inspections

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INSPECTIONS ARE DONE BY APPOINTMENT

Inspections may be done without an appointment during the hours listed under Inspection Day & Time, based on the inspectors' availability.

INSPECTION SITES MAY BE IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS THAN CONTACT SITES LISTED BELOW.

You must bring all supporting documents with you at the time of the inspection.

THIS IS NOT A SAFETY INSPECTION

METRO AREA

*St. Paul, 222 Starkey Street	Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. & 12:30 p.m.-4 p.m.	(651) 282-2173
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GREATER MINNESOTA

Exam Station Contact Site	Inspection Day & Time	Contact Day & Time	Phone
Austin, 430 10th St. NE	2nd & 4th Wed. 8 a.m.-12 p.m.	Mon., Tues., Wed. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(507) 434-2675
Bemidji, 111 Second St. Union Square	2nd Tues. 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(218) 308-2940
Detroit Lakes, 1000 Hwy 10 W	2nd & 4th Tues. 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mon. & Tues. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 a.m.-12p.m. & 1-4:30 p.m.	(218) 846-8270
Duluth, 4602 Grand Ave. Ste 990	1st & 3rd Wed. 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(218) 216-0834
Faribault, 1105 W. Division St.	2nd Tues. 8 a.m.-12 p.m.	Mon.-Thu. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(507) 332-7985
Grand Rapids, 401 SE 11th St.	1st & 3rd Tues. 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mon., Tues., Wed. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	(218) 327-4586
*Long Prairie, 17792 US 71	1st & 3rd Mon. 8:30 a.m.- 12 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(651) 282-2173
Mankato, 2161 Bassett Drive	2nd & 4th Mon. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(507) 344-2799
Marshall, 601D North Hwy 59	2nd & 4th Tues. 12 p.m.-4 p.m.	Tues. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. & 12:30-4:30 p.m.	(507) 537-7024
*St. Cloud, 3051 36th Ave. SE,	Tues. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed. 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(651) 282-2173
Thief River Falls, 244 125th Ave. NE	4th Mon. 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mon. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. & 12:30-4:30 p.m.	(218) 681-0966
Virginia, MNDOT Bldg., 101 Hoover Rd.	2nd Mon. 12:30 p.m.-4 p.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(218) 748-2457
Willmar, 1601 E Hwy 12	Mon. 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	(320) 231-1735
Worthington, 315 10th St.	2nd Wed. 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Tues. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. & 12:30-4:30 p.m.	(507) 376-6551

☎ Telephone answered only during days and times listed under Contact Day & Time.

*Appointments are scheduled through Driver and Vehicle Services Public Information Center in St. Paul: (651) 282-2173