**State of Colorado**

**Title Or Salvage Title Established By Surety Bond**

C.R.S. 38-29-119, 42-5-204, 42-6-102 (16), (17) (a), 42-6-115

The bonding procedure is completed when ownership documents are not available or are incorrect.

- Applicant must have possession of the motor vehicle/manufactured home.
- Motor vehicle/manufactured home must be physically located in Colorado.

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| 1    | Have the motor vehicle inspected and a Certified VIN inspection form, DR 2704, completed by a P.O.S.T. certified inspector. Your local county motor vehicle office can refer you to a P.O.S.T. certified inspector in your area. **Inspection must not be over one (1) year old**
  
Manufactured homes are exempt from providing a Certified VIN inspection. Verification of VIN, (DR 2698) must be completed. | DR 2704  
Inspection Fee - $50.00. Cash or check only  
DR 2698 |
| 2    | Complete a (DR 2489A) Motor Vehicle Requestor Release Affidavit of Intended Use  
  
- All out of state motor vehicles also need a title and a lien record search from the state they are from in addition to the Colorado Record Search.
- You must attempt to contact by certified or registered mail (return receipt requested) the owner of record as indicated on the record search  
  
**Inspection must not be over one (1) year old.**
  
Manufactured home –  
  
- You must attempt to contact by certified or registered mail (return receipt requested) the owner of record, as indicated on the record search  
  
**“NOTE”** A photocopy of the Certified VIN Inspection, (DR 2704), and additional documents are required to be submitted with the (DR 2489A) Motor Vehicle Requestor Release Affidavit of Intended Use. | Validated copy of a DR 2489A for each VIN  
Fee - $2.20  
Copy of letter and certified/registered mail return receipt (PS 3811 green card) |
| 3    | If the record search indicates an active lien on the motor vehicle or manufactured home:  
  
- Lien MUST be released  
- Lien release must be on lienholder’s letterhead  
  
- Not required if lienholder is an individual  
- Photo and FAXed copies of lien release are acceptable  
- Lien release must include  
  
- Vehicle year, make and VIN  
- Title owner’s name  
- Agent’s signature  
- Date of lien release  
- Signed under penalty of perjury in the second degree as defined in C.R.S. 18-8-503  
  
- If an attempt is made to secure an acceptable lien release and the lienholder is not available, the following procedure MUST be followed:  
  
- Lienholder is not available – filed in Colorado  
  
- A certified or registered letter must be sent to the lienholder’s last known address and be returned as undeliverable  
  
- A bond must be posted for AMOUNT of the lien or TWICE the actual value of the manufactured home as determined by the County Assessor’s records | Acceptable Lien Release  
Copy of letter and certified/registered mail return receipt (PS3811 green card)  
USPS printout of signature acceptance |

Without one of the above statements, the Title or Salvage Title Established by Surety Bond procedure cannot be completed and a court order will be required.

- The court order MUST identify the motor vehicle/manufactured home by year, make & VIN

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| 4    | If the manufactured home is abandoned, the following information MUST be provided, pursuant to C.R.S. 38-29-119:  
  - Copy of the court order or judgment for possession obtained through a civil proceeding  
    - Court order or judgment must  
      - Identify manufactured home by year, make and VIN  
    - Proof of ownership of the real property on which the manufactured home is located  
    - Proof of property taxes paid  
  
**NOTE** Step 4 only applies to manufactured homes. Step 4 does not apply to motor vehicles. |
| 5    | For the purpose of purchasing a surety bond or evidence of a savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit meeting the requirements of section 11-35-101, C.R.S. (see step 5), establish the reasonable value of the vehicle determined by one of the following:  
  - Price guide books  
    - If the motor vehicle is newer than seven (7) years old  
  - Computerized valuation services  
  - Licensed Colorado automotive dealer  
    - If not on dealer’s letterhead, must be notarized or signed under penalty of perjury  
    - MUST include Dealer’s license number  
    - MUST be signed and dated  
    - Dealership may perform its own appraisal when bonding for title in their name  
    - Certified appraisal  
  - Appraisal must be  
    - MUST be for the current condition of the motor vehicle at the time of titling  

Manufactured home values MUST be established using the actual value determined by the County Assessor’s records, pursuant to C.R.S. 38-29-119.  
  - Records must identify manufactured home by year, make and VIN  

ALL motor vehicle appraisals MUST identify the vehicle, by year, make and VIN. |
| 6    | Furnish evidence of a savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit meeting the requirements of section 11-35-101, C.R.S., or a good and sufficient bond with a corporate surety not less than twice the reasonable value of the vehicle. The savings account, deposit, certificate of deposit, or surety bond must indicate the year, make and VIN of the vehicle. |
| 7    | Complete the Bond Statement Guide & In Lieu of Bond Affidavit, (DR 2394), providing the following information:  
  - Why bonding for ownership is required Account Deposit Certificate or signed Bond. Indicate year, make and VIN of vehicle  
  - What attempts were made to contact the owner of record to insure they have no interest  
  - From whom and when purchased and amount paid  
  - Efforts to have the seller establish title  
  - Motor vehicle’s/manufactured home’s year, make and VIN  
  - Whether or not there are liens against the motor vehicle/manufactured home  
  - Whether or not the vehicle is road worthy  
  - Whether or not the manufactured home is on a permanent foundation  

DR 2394
Motor Vehicle has been or is now “salvage”

- Have the motor vehicle inspected by a P.O.S.T. certified inspector and a Certified VIN Inspection, (DR 2704) completed. Your local county motor vehicle office can refer you to a P.O.S.T. certified inspector in your area.

⇒ Inspection must not be over one (1) year old

If the DR 2704 indicates that the motor vehicle is roadworthy, applicant will:

- Apply for title by following the Title Established by Salvage Title Checklist, (DR 2415)
  - Complete the Salvage Title Statement of Fact, (DR 2424)
    - MUST state that
      - The motor vehicle was purchased without proper ownership document
      - No repairs were needed
      - Bond is required for title

If the (DR 2704) indicates that the motor vehicle is not roadworthy, applicant will:

- Apply for salvage title using the Application for Salvage Title, (DR 2410) or
- Apply for Title by repairing the motor vehicle
  - Follow the Title Established by Salvage Title checklist, (DR 2415)
  - Complete the Salvage Title Statement of Fact, (DR 2424)
    - MUST state
      - What repairs were completed to make the motor vehicle roadworthy
      - Obtain a new Certified VIN inspection, (DR 2704)

If the record search indicates the motor vehicle was “Previous Salvage” (Rebuilt from Salvage), the applicant shall

- Request a salvage history by
  - Submitting a Motor Vehicle Requestor Release Affidavit of Intended Use (DR 2489A)
    - Include a photocopy of the (DR 2704)
    - Include a Statement of Fact, (DR 2444)
      - Indicate cause of salvage designation
  - Complete a Rebuilt from Salvage Disclosure, (DR 2710)
    - If the reason for salvage is indeterminate
      - Mark the “Other” box
      - State that the motor vehicle was “Purchased without proper ownership documents through the bond process, unable to obtain a salvage history, reason for salvage unknown.”

Apply for Title or Salvage Title at the county motor vehicle office in the county in which you live.

Manufactured homes are title at the county motor vehicle office in the county in which the manufacture home is located.

Secure and Verifiable Identification is required to obtain a title and/or registration in the state of Colorado. Please see (DR 2841) for acceptable identification documents.

**NOTE** The odometer must be disclosed on a secure form for motor vehicles with model year of less than 10 years. The applicant taking title will disclose the mileage on the (DR 2173) Motor Vehicle Bill of Sale. To obtain a (DR 2173), please contact Standard Register at 1-800-877-0723.