

GEORGIA

Definitions

Antique or hobby or special interest vehicle. A motor vehicle which is 25 years old or older as indicated by the model year or a motor vehicle which has been designated and manufactured to resemble an antique or historical vehicle.

“Assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle” or “kit motor vehicle or motorcycle.” Any motor vehicle or motorcycle that is:

(A) Manufactured from a manufacturer's kit or manufacturer's fabricated parts, including replicas and original designs:

(i) By an owner;

(ii) At the request of the owner by a third-party manufacturer of motor vehicles or motorcycles; and

(iii) Such manufacturer is not manufacturing and testing in accordance with federal safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101, et seq., unless and until the United States Customs Service or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that the motor vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards;

(B) A new vehicle and consists of a prefabricated body, chassis, and drive train;

(C) Handmade and not mass produced by any manufacturer for retail sale; or

(D) Not otherwise excluded from emission requirements and is in compliance with Chapter 8 of Title 40, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles.

Authentic historical Georgia license plate.

Rebuilt motor vehicle. Any motor vehicle which has been damaged and subsequently restored to an operable condition by the replacement of two or more major component parts.

Unconventional motor vehicle or motorcycle. Any motor vehicle or motorcycle that is manufactured, including, but not limited to, all-terrain vehicles, off-road vehicles, motor driven cycles, mopeds, and personal transportation vehicles, and that is not in compliance with the following:

(i) Chapter 8 of Title 40, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles;

(ii) Applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101, et seq., unless and until the United States Customs and Border Protection Agency or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that the motor vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards; or

(iii) Applicable federal emission standards issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. Section 7401 through Section 7642, the "Clean Air Act," as amended.

(B) Such term shall not include former military motor vehicles.

Salvage Motor Vehicle.

(A) Which has been damaged to the extent that its restoration to an operable condition would require the replacement of two or more major component parts;

(B) For which an insurance company has paid a total loss claim and the vehicle has not been repaired, regardless of the extent of damage to such vehicle or the number of major component parts required to repair such vehicle, but shall not mean or include any stolen motor vehicle which has been recovered with the public manufacturer's vehicle identification number plate intact and the vehicle:

(i) Is undamaged;

(ii) Has only cosmetic damage; or

(iii) Has been damaged but only to the extent that its restoration to an operable condition will not require the replacement of two or more major component parts;

(C) Which is an imported motor vehicle which has been damaged in shipment and disclaimed by the manufacturer as a result of the damage, has never been the subject of a retail sale to a consumer, and has never been issued a certificate of title.

Georgia DMV Guidance

Assembled motor vehicles or motorcycles are defined in Georgia law as:

- Any motor vehicle or motorcycle manufactured from a manufacturer's kit or fabricated parts, including replicas and original designs
- A new vehicle consisting of a prefabricated body, chassis, and drive train
- Homemade and not mass-produced by any manufacturer for retail sale
- Not otherwise excluded from emission requirements and in compliance with Chapter 8 Title 40 of Georgia code

Applying for a Title for an Assembled Vehicle

Subject to the same inspection process as Rebuilt Titles. To apply for a rebuilt title and vehicle inspection, submit the following to one of the Department approved private inspectors or stations:

- Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (MSO) or appropriate documentation of purchase of all major components. The vehicle must comply with:
 - Chapter 8 Title 40 of Georgia Code
 - Applicable Federal emissions standards
- Completed and signed Form MV-1 Title/Tag Application.
- Completed and signed Form MV-100 Affidavit of an Assembled Vehicle Inspection
- Completed and signed Form T-129 Labor and Parts Certification.
- Provide receipts for new or used parts used to build the vehicle including:
 - Part names and stock numbers
 - Show the vehicle owner or rebuilder as the purchaser of the parts. (The rebuilder's name, as shown on the parts receipts, must be shown on Form T-129.)
 - For used parts, show the part name and the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the vehicle from which the part was taken.
 - Parts vehicle must have a title on file with the Department or be submitted at the time of the application.
 - If the parts are from another state, provide a letter of certification from the other state.
- Copy of Rebuilder's License.
- \$100.00 inspection fee for the inspection station.

Note: All of the above items must be available at inspection. The vehicle must be towed, not driven to the inspection site.

Once the vehicle passes inspection, all of the above paperwork along with the inspectors report and registration must be submitted with:

\$168.00 for motor vehicles (\$18.00 title fee and \$150 state processing fee) or \$143.00 for motorcycles (\$18.00 title fee and \$125 state processing fee) made payable to the Department of Revenue.

Unconventional motor vehicles or motorcycles

Are not issued a certificate of title or registered in Georgia. These vehicles are manufactured and not in compliance with:

Chapter 8 Title 40 of Georgia Code relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles

Applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101 et seq., unless the U.S. Customs Service or the U.S. Department of Transportation has certified that such vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards

Applicable federal emission standards

Does not qualify as an assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle

Titles for Rebuilt or Restored Vehicles

A salvage titled vehicle must go through the Rebuilt Inspection process before a rebuilt title can be issued on vehicles that require titles.

To obtain a rebuilt title:

- Be a Licensed Rebuilder – Anyone who purchases a salvage or wrecked vehicle for the purpose of restoring or rebuilding must be licensed as a rebuilder.
- Pass Inspection – When the vehicle is restored but before it is painted, it must pass inspection by one of the Department's approved private inspectors or stations.

To apply for a rebuilt title and vehicle inspection, submit the following to one of the Department approved private inspectors or stations:

1. One or more photographs of the vehicle in its salvaged/wrecked condition before any repairs are made.
2. Completed and signed Form MV-1 Title/Tag Application.
3. Original valid salvage title issued in the vehicle owner's name or properly assigned to the owner.
4. Completed and signed Form T-22R Request for Inspection of a Rebuilt Motor Vehicle.
5. Completed and signed Form T-129 Labor and Parts Certification.
6. Provide receipts for new or used parts used to restore/rebuild the vehicle should including:
 - Part names and stock numbers
 - Show the vehicle owner or rebuilder as the purchaser of the parts. (The rebuilder's name, as shown on the parts receipts must be shown of Form T-129.)

- For used parts, show the part name and the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the vehicle from which the part was taken.
 - Parts vehicle must have a title on file with the Department or submitted at the time of the application.
 - If the parts are from another state, provide a letter of certification from the other state.
- 7. Copy of Rebuilder's License.
- 8. \$100.00 inspection fee for the inspection station.

Note: All of the above items must be available at inspection. The vehicle must be towed, not driven to the inspection site.

Once the vehicle passes inspection, all of the above paperwork along with the inspectors report and registration must be submitted with:

\$118.00 made payable to the Department of Revenue (\$18.00 title fee and \$100.00 state inspection fee).

Submit to:

DOR/Motor Vehicle Division

Attn: Salvage Unit

P. O. Box 740384

Atlanta, Georgia 30374-0384

Vehicles must go through the Rebuilt process if:

- Branded "Salvage" in Georgia.
- Out of state branded "Salvage," "Flood," "Water," "Fire," and "Total Loss."
- Tractor cab restored with a glider kit.

If the out-of-state title is branded as "Rebuilt" or "Restored," (indicating that the vehicle is no longer in a damaged condition) the rebuilt vehicle procedures must be completed except for the following:

- Photographs of the vehicle in its salvaged/wrecked condition.
- Receipts for parts used to restore the vehicle.
- Form T-129 Labor and Parts Certification.

Titles Not Required

- 1962 or older year model vehicles
- Agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising equipment or vehicles not required to be registered

- Airplanes or aircraft
- All terrain and off-road vehicles
- Boat trailers
- Boats or watercraft
- Buses owned and operated by an urban transit system
- Cable cars and Trolleys
- Cranes
- Driver education vehicles used in public or private schools
- Fifth wheels
- Homemade car/tow dollies
- Homemade trailers
- Invalid tricycles
- Mopeds
- Nonresidents' vehicles (vehicles owned by people that do not have a Georgia address)
- Pole trailers
- Self-propelled wheelchairs
- Tow dollies (car) weighing 2,000 pounds or less
- Trailers weighing 2,000 pounds or less
- Vehicles not manufactured for highway use

Titles Optional

- You can title a 1963-1985 year model vehicle if:
 - You have a title issued in your name;
 - The owner on the front of the title has assigned the title to you;
 - The owner on the front of the title has assigned the title to a dealer and the dealer has assigned the title to you.
- You cannot title a 1963-1985 year model vehicle if:
 - The vehicle has been registered in someone else's name(s) other than the owner(s) shown on the face of the Georgia title.

Georgia Laws

From Rules and Regulations of the State of Georgia:

560-10-30-.08. Unconventional Motor Vehicle or Unconventional Motorcycle.

(1) "Unconventional" motor vehicle or "Unconventional" motorcycle is any motor vehicle or motorcycle that is manufactured and not in compliance with:

- (a) Chapter 8 Title 40 of the Code, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles;
- (b) Applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101 et seq., unless the United States Customs Service or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that such motor vehicle or motorcycle complies with such applicable federal standards;
- (c) Applicable federal emissions standards; or
- (d) Does not qualify as an Assembled motor vehicle or Assembled motorcycle.

(2) An Unconventional motor vehicle or Unconventional motorcycle shall not be issued a certificate of title or registered by the State of Georgia.

560-10-30-.09. Certificate of Title of an Assembled Motor Vehicle or Assembled Motorcycle.

(1) An owner applying for a certificate of title, and to register an assembled motor vehicle or assembled motorcycle in Georgia, shall submit:

- (a) A title application on a form provided by the Commissioner along with the requisite supporting documentation;
- (b) A Manufacturer's Statement of Origin or present certificate of title and required supporting documentation;
- (c) A labor and parts form prescribed by the Commissioner;
- (d) A request for inspection of the assembled motor vehicle or assembled motorcycle on a form provided by the Commissioner; and
- (e) Payment of all applicable fees for such inspection.

(2) The Department shall assess the following state fees for inspection of Assembled Motor Vehicles and Assembled Motorcycles:

- (a) Motorcycle:
\$125.00
- (b) Motor Vehicle:

\$150.00

(3) Upon completion and submission of all required forms and payment of all fees as set forth by the Commissioner, the Department shall:

(a) Schedule an inspection of the motor vehicle or motorcycle; and

(b) Complete the inspection report on the form prescribed by the Commissioner.

(4) Upon determination by the Department that the application is acceptable along with the appropriate documentation that payment of all required fees has been received by the Department and that the Assembled Motor Vehicle has passed the inspection, the Department shall issue a Georgia Certificate of Title that states "Assembled Vehicle" in the legend.

(5) A person who has received the Georgia Certificate of Title for an Assembled motor vehicle or Assembled motorcycle shall then register such vehicle in the manner set forth by the Code.

560-10-30-.10. Inspection of an Assembled Motor Vehicle or Assembled Motorcycle.

(1) In addition to the requirements set forth in O.C.G.A. § 40-3-30.1, prior to applying for a certificate of title for an Assembled vehicle or Assembled motorcycle, an applicant shall have that vehicle inspected in the manner set forth by the Department.

(2) The applicant shall provide the following information at the time of inspection of the Assembled vehicle or Assembled motorcycle:

(a) The existence of a verifiable Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (MSO) or other appropriate documentation of the purchase of all major components; and

(b) That the vehicle complies with:

1. Chapter 8 Title 40 of the Code, and

2. Applicable Federal emissions standards.

(3) The purpose of the inspection shall be solely to establish whether or not the vehicle is eligible to receive a Georgia Certificate of Title as an Assembled motor vehicle or Assembled motorcycle.

(4) The Department shall charge a fee for all such inspections.

560-10-30-.11. Registration of an Assembled Motor Vehicle, Assembled Motorcycle, or Unconventional Vehicle.

(1) Prior to an applicant for registration of an Assembled vehicle or Assembled motorcycle being issued a Certificate, the applicant must have been issued a Georgia Certificate of Title in compliance with the Code and Regulations governing Assembled motor vehicles or Assembled motorcycles.

(2) Upon presentation of a Georgia Certificate of Title, a Certificate of Registration will be issued in the same manner as are motor vehicle registrations.

(3) Any Unconventional vehicle or Unconventional motorcycle, or any motor vehicle that has not been issued a certificate of title in compliance with the Code and these Regulations, shall not be registered in the State of Georgia.

§ 40-3-30.1. Inspection of assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle

(a) As used in this Code section and in Code Section 40-2-27, the term:

(1) “Assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle” or “kit motor vehicle or motorcycle” means any motor vehicle or motorcycle that is:

(A) Manufactured from a manufacturer's kit or manufacturer's fabricated parts, including replicas and original designs:

(i) By an owner;

(ii) At the request of the owner by a third-party manufacturer of motor vehicles or motorcycles; and

(iii) Such manufacturer is not manufacturing and testing in accordance with federal safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101, et seq., unless and until the United States Customs Service or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that the motor vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards;

(B) A new vehicle and consists of a prefabricated body, chassis, and drive train;

(C) Handmade and not mass produced by any manufacturer for retail sale; or

(D) Not otherwise excluded from emission requirements and is in compliance with Chapter 8 of Title 40, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles.

(2)(A) “Unconventional motor vehicle or motorcycle” means any motor vehicle or motorcycle that is manufactured, including, but not limited to, all-terrain vehicles, off-road vehicles, motor driven cycles, mopeds, and personal transportation vehicles, and that is not in compliance with the following:

(i) Chapter 8 of Title 40, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles;

(ii) Applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101, et seq., unless and until the United States Customs and Border Protection Agency or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that the motor vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards; or

(iii) Applicable federal emission standards issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. Section 7401 through Section 7642, the “Clean Air Act,” as amended.

(B) Such term shall not include former military motor vehicles.

(b) In addition to the requirements contained in Code Section 40-3-30, prior to the issuance of a certificate of title to the owner of an assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle, the owner shall cause such assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle to be inspected in order to establish:

(1) The existence of a verifiable Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin (MCO) or other verifiable documentation of purchase of all major components; and

(2) That such assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle complies with:

(A) Chapter 8 of Title 40, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles; and

(B) If applicable, federal emission standards issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. Section 7401 through Section 7642, the "Clean Air Act," as amended.

(c) The inspection conducted under subsection (b) of this Code section shall only be for the purpose of establishing that such assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle is eligible to receive a certificate of title.

(d) The department shall be authorized to charge an inspection fee.

(e) Unconventional motor vehicles or motorcycles shall not be titled or registered.

From Georgia Code:

§ 40-3-4. Exclusions

No certificate of title shall be obtained for:

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(14)(A) A vehicle, other than a mobile home or crane, the model year of which is prior to 1986.

(B) The owner of any vehicle which has a valid certificate of title and which becomes subject to the exclusion provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph may retain the certificate of title. Each subsequent transferee of any vehicle covered by subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, for which the certificate of title has been retained, may obtain a certificate of title by complying with Code Section 40-3-32. However, the failure of any subsequent transferee to comply with Code Section 40-3-32 shall preclude transferees subsequent to that transferee from obtaining a certificate of title. The department shall maintain such records as may be necessary to allow owners to obtain a certificate of title under this subparagraph. No certificate of title authorized to be issued under this subparagraph shall be issued under Code Section 40-3-28.

(C)(i) A security interest in or lien against a vehicle which is subject to the exclusion provided for in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph and which arises after such vehicle

becomes subject to the operation of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph may be perfected in the same manner as such security interests and liens are perfected on vehicles required by this chapter to have certificates of title.

(ii) The transferee of any vehicle which is subject to the exclusion provided for in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, regardless of whether that vehicle has a certificate of title issued pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, shall take such vehicle subject to any security interest or lien perfected under this paragraph;

(15)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, a trailer with an unladen gross weight of 2,000 pounds or less.

(B) The exclusion provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall not apply to a travel trailer or camper, regardless of its unladen gross weight;

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(17) A vehicle with a model year prior to 1963;

§ 40-2-27. Certificates of registration and title not to be issued to motor vehicles not manufactured to comply with federal emission and safety standards

(a) No application shall be accepted and no certificate of registration shall be issued to any motor vehicle which was not manufactured to comply with applicable federal emission standards issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. Section 7401 through Section 7642, known as the Clean Air Act, as amended, and applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A. Section 30101, et seq., unless and until the United States Customs Service or the United States Department of Transportation has certified that the motor vehicle complies with such applicable federal standards and unless all documents required by the commissioner for processing an application for a certificate of registration or title are printed and filled out in the English language or are accompanied by an English translation.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to applications for certificates of registration for such motor vehicles that have a manufactured date that is 25 years or older at the time of application. Certification of compliance shall only be required at the time of application for the issuance of the initial Georgia certificate of registration.

(c) Applications for registration of such motor vehicles shall be accompanied by a Georgia certificate of title, proof that an application for a Georgia certificate of title has been properly submitted, or such other information and documentation of ownership as the commissioner shall deem proper.

(d) Before a certificate of registration is issued for an assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle, such assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle shall have been issued a certificate of title in Georgia and shall comply with the provisions of Code Section 40-3-30.1.

(e) The provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to applications for certificates of registration for former military motor vehicles that are less than 25 years old and manufactured for the United States military.

§ 40-2-41.1. Display of authentic historical Georgia license plates

(a) As used in this Code section, the term “authentic historical Georgia license plate” means a license plate originally issued in the year 1989 or earlier and originally required to be displayed on motor vehicles operated upon the streets and highways of this state in the year 1989 or earlier pursuant to former motor vehicle registration laws of this state.

(b) The owner of any antique motor vehicle manufactured in 1989 or earlier shall be authorized to display in lieu of and in the same manner as the license plate otherwise required under Code Section 40-2-41 an authentic historical Georgia license plate which clearly represents the model year within four years of any such antique motor vehicle, provided that the owner has properly registered such antique motor vehicle for the current year as otherwise required under this chapter and has obtained a current Georgia license plate or revalidation decal for such antique motor vehicle. Such currently valid Georgia license plate shall be kept in such antique motor vehicle at all times but need not be displayed in a manner to be visible from outside the vehicle.

(c) For purposes of this Code section, the authentic historical Georgia license plate shall be furnished by the owner of any such antique motor vehicle.

(d) No later than January 1, 2006, the commissioner shall have installed within the department's computer information system applicable to the registration of motor vehicles the necessary program which will include in the information relating to the current Georgia license plate or revalidation decal issued for an antique motor vehicle the information relating to the authentic historical Georgia license plate authorized to be displayed on such antique motor vehicle.

§ 48-5-473. Return for taxation; payment of due taxes; issuance of license plates; certification of antique or hobby or special interest motor vehicles

(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, every owner of a motor vehicle subject to taxation under this article shall be required to return the motor vehicle for taxation and pay the taxes due on the motor vehicle at the time the owner applies or is required by law to apply for registration of the motor vehicle and for the purchase of a license plate for the motor vehicle during the owner's registration period.

(2)(A) In all counties for which a local Act has not been enacted pursuant to Code Section 40-2-21, the final date for payment of ad valorem taxes shall be the last day of the owner's registration period and the lien for such taxes shall attach at midnight on the last day of the owner's registration period if the vehicle has not been registered but only if the vehicle is still owned on such date by such owner.

(B) In all counties for which a local Act has been enacted pursuant to Code Section 40-2-21, the final date for payment of ad valorem taxes shall be the last day of the owner's registration period and the lien for such taxes on such motor vehicle shall attach on the first day of the owner's registration period.

(C) A motor vehicle shall not be returned for taxation and no ad valorem taxes shall be due, payable, or collected at the time a vehicle is registered during any initial registration period for such vehicle.

(D) A motor vehicle shall not be returned for taxation and no ad valorem taxes shall be due, payable, or collected at the time of a transfer of the vehicle.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code section to the contrary, under no circumstances shall such ad valorem taxation be collected more than one time per calendar year with respect to the same motor vehicle.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section, in the case of an antique or hobby or special interest motor vehicle, as defined in Code Section 48-5-440, the owner or owners shall certify at the time of returning the antique or hobby or special interest motor vehicle for taxation, paying the taxes due on the motor vehicle, and purchasing a license plate for the motor vehicle or at the time of the first sale or transfer of the motor vehicle that the vehicle is an antique or hobby or special interest motor vehicle as defined in Code Section 48-5-440, and, upon said certification, said vehicle shall be registered and a license plate issued with the imposition of an ad valorem tax based on \$100.00 valuation; provided, however, that taxes shall be due at the time of registration or at the time required by law for registration during the owner's registration period as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section, within the motor vehicle classification of property for ad valorem taxation purposes, motor vehicles held in inventory for sale or resale by an entity which is engaged in the business of selling motor vehicles and which has a current distinguishing dealer's identification number issued by the department shall constitute a separate subclassification of property for ad valorem taxation purposes and shall not be the subject of ad valorem taxation until such time as such vehicles are transferred and until such time as such vehicles then become subject to taxation as provided in this Code section.

§ 40-2-86.1. Special license plates to support beneficial agencies, funds, or programs administered by nonprofit corporations; revenue deposited in general fund

(a) The General Assembly has determined that the issuance of special license plates to support an agency or fund or a program beneficial to the people of this state that is administered by a nonprofit corporation organized under Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code and, subject to the appropriation process of the General Assembly, appropriating a portion of the funds raised from the sale of these special license plates is in the best interests of the people of this state. Therefore, the license plates listed in subsection (l) of this Code section

shall be issued by the department if all of the requirements of subsections (b) through (k) of this Code section have been satisfied.

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(j) Special license plates shall be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle in accordance with the provisions of Code Section 40-2-80.

(k) Special license plates shall be issued within 30 days of application once the requirements of this Code section have been met.

(l)(1) The General Assembly has determined that license plates promoting the agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations listed in this subsection shall be issued for the purposes indicated and the revenue shall be deposited in the general fund, subject to the appropriation process of the General Assembly.

(8) A special license plate for antique or hobby or special interest vehicles. As used in this paragraph, the term "antique or hobby or special interest vehicle" means any motor vehicle or motor cycle or a motor vehicle which has been designed and manufactured to resemble an antique or historical vehicle and which is owned as a collector's item and for participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades and similar uses but which may be used for general transportation. No owner of such antique vehicle or hobby or special interest vehicle shall be required to obtain any special permits for its operation on the roads of this state. The funds raised by the sale of this license plate shall be deposited in the general fund.

§ 40-3-37. Certificate of title for salvaged or rebuilt motor vehicle

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) "Application for a certificate of title on a recovered stolen motor vehicle" means an application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for which an insurance company has paid a total loss claim, has obtained a title marked "unrecovered stolen motor vehicle," and which has subsequently been recovered.

(2) "Application for a certificate of title on a salvaged or rebuilt motor vehicle" means:

(A) An application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for which a current Georgia certificate of title is marked "salvage" pursuant to subsection (e) of Code Section 40-3-36 and which has been repaired;

(B) An application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for which a current out-of-state certificate of title is marked "salvage," "rebuilt," or "restored" or any similar such phrase; or

(C) An application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for which a current Georgia certificate of title is marked "salvage" pursuant to subsection (e) of Code Section 40-3-36 and for which the transferee is anyone other than a licensee as defined in Code Section 43-47-2.

(b)(1) Upon receipt of an application for a certificate of title on a salvaged or rebuilt motor vehicle, the commissioner shall promptly conduct an initial inspection on each such motor vehicle prior to the issuance of a certificate of title for the motor vehicle. Upon receipt of an application for a certificate of title on a recovered stolen motor vehicle which has been stripped of:

- (A) Substantially all its interior parts;
- (B) Engine;
- (C) Transmission;
- (D) All doors;
- (E) Complete soft top assembly including roof mechanism;
- (F) Front clip assembly (fenders, hood, and bumper); or
- (G) Cab and bed of a pick-up truck,

The commissioner shall promptly conduct an initial inspection on each such motor vehicle prior to the issuance of a certificate of title for the motor vehicle. The initial inspection shall include, but shall not be limited to, verification of the vehicle identification number, verification of the bills of sale or title for the major components, verification in regard to rebuilt vehicles that the word "rebuilt" is permanently affixed as required by subsection (d) of this Code section, verification that the vehicle was rebuilt in the State of Georgia, and, if the vehicle has been repaired, verification that the motor vehicle conforms to all safety equipment standards required by law. The commissioner shall be authorized to charge a fee of \$100.00 for each initial inspection of each motor vehicle. In the event a motor vehicle fails an inspection, a fee of \$100.00 shall be charged for each subsequent reinspection. The commissioner may conduct any such initial inspection and any required reinspections even though the motor vehicle may have been previously inspected under this Code section.

(2) If, upon inspection under paragraph (1) of this subsection, it is determined that the motor vehicle is not in full compliance with the law, the commissioner shall refuse to issue a certificate of title until compliance is reached. The commissioner may order additional, corrective repairs to such vehicle as a condition of issuance of a certificate of title.

(c) All applications submitted pursuant to this Code section shall be accompanied by one or more photographs of the motor vehicle in its salvaged condition before any repairs have been made to such vehicle, which photographs shall be used by the commissioner in his or her inspections of the vehicle pursuant to this Code section. Any person who rebuilds or repairs a salvage motor vehicle shall submit an application for a certificate of title and obtain an inspection of such vehicle prior to the painting of such vehicle.

(d)(1)(A) Upon inspection under subsection (b) of this Code section, if it is determined that the motor vehicle has been restored to an operable condition by the replacement of two or more major component parts, a certificate of title may be issued for such motor vehicle which shall contain the word "rebuilt" on its face in no larger than 12 point font. This requirement will indicate to all subsequent owners of the motor vehicle that such is a rebuilt motor vehicle. If any such inspection determines that the motor vehicle shall require the replacement of less than two major component parts in order to restore the motor vehicle to an operable condition, a certificate of title shall be issued for such motor vehicle which shall contain the word "rebuilt" on its face in such manner as the commissioner shall prescribe. This requirement will indicate to all subsequent owners of the motor vehicle that such is a rebuilt motor vehicle.

(B) If it is determined that the motor vehicle required or shall require the replacement of two or more major component parts in order to restore the motor vehicle to an operable condition, the department shall cause the word "rebuilt" to be affixed to said motor vehicle at the time of inspection by the commissioner. The word "rebuilt" shall be affixed in a clear and conspicuous manner to the door post or such other location as the commissioner may prescribe. The word "rebuilt" shall be stamped on a certificate and shall be affixed to the motor vehicle in such manner as the commissioner may prescribe. The requirement of this subparagraph shall only apply to motor vehicles restored after November 1, 1982.

(2) Upon inspection by the commissioner and compliance with paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section, if it is determined that the motor vehicle does not require the replacement of two or more major components or has not had two or more major components changed, a certificate of title shall be issued and shall contain the word "rebuilt" on its face.

(3) If, after the initial inspection, the commissioner determines that the damage is so extensive that returning such vehicle to a safe, operable condition is impossible, the salvage certificate shall be revoked and such vehicle may only be used for scrap or parts. A vehicle for which such a determination is made shall not be issued a title under any circumstances or conditions including but not limited to obtaining of a surety bond.

(e) Any person, firm, or corporation that rebuilds or repairs a motor vehicle whose current certificate of title is marked "salvage" shall make application for and obtain a certificate of title as provided in this Code section prior to the sale or transfer of said motor vehicle. If, under the laws of any other state, a vehicle has been declared to be nonrebuildable, the commissioner shall not issue any certificate of title for such vehicle and the vehicle shall not be used for any purpose except parts.

(f)(1) Motorcycles which are over 25 years old shall be exempt from the salvage laws of this state.

(2) Motor vehicles which have been altered by the installation of a glider kit shall be issued a certificate of title containing the word "rebuilt."

Georgia Equipment Exemptions

§ 40-8-90. Authorized use of blue lights; violations

(a)(1) Except as provided in this paragraph and subsection (b) of this Code section, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to operate any motor vehicle equipped with or containing a device capable of producing any blue lights, whether flashing, blinking, revolving, or stationary, except:

(A) Motor vehicles owned or leased by any federal, state, or local law enforcement agency;

(B) Motor vehicles with a permit granted by a state agency to bear such lights; or

(C) **Antique, hobby, and special interest vehicles**, as defined in paragraph (8) of subsection (l) of Code Section 40-2-86.1, which may display a blue light or lights of up to one inch in diameter as part of any such vehicle's rear stop lamps, rear turning indicator, rear hazard lamps, and rear reflectors.

(2) Any person who violates paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) The prohibition contained in subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to any elected sheriff who, pursuant to an agreement between the sheriff and the county governing authority, is using his or her personal motor vehicle in a law enforcement activity, provided such vehicle is marked as provided in Code Section 40-8-91.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use any motor vehicle equipped with flashing, blinking, revolving, or stationary blue lights in the commission of a felony, and, upon conviction of a violation of this subsection, the punishment shall be a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment of not less than one year, or both.

§ 40-8-23. Taillights

(a) Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer **manufactured prior to January 1, 1954**, shall be equipped with at least one taillight mounted on the rear, which when lighted as required in this article shall emit a red light plainly visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear.

(b) Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer manufactured after January 1, 1954, shall be equipped with two taillights which meet the specifications provided in this Code section.

(c) Every taillight upon every vehicle shall be located at a height of not more than 60 inches nor less than 20 inches, to be measured as set forth in subsection (b) of Code Section 40-8-21.

(d) Either a taillight or a separate light shall be so constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the rear registration plate and render it clearly legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear. Any taillight or taillights, together with any separate light for illuminating the rear

registration plate, shall be so wired as to be lighted whenever the headlights or auxiliary driving lights are lighted.

(e) All lenses on taillights shall be maintained in good repair and shall meet manufacturers' specifications.

§ 40-8-76.1. Safety belts; required usage

(a) As used in this Code section, the term "passenger vehicle" means every motor vehicle, including, but not limited to, pickup trucks, vans, and sport utility vehicles, designed to carry 15 passengers or fewer and used for the transportation of persons; provided, however, that such term shall not include motorcycles; motor driven cycles; or off-road vehicles or pickup trucks being used by an owner, driver, or occupant 18 years of age or older in connection with agricultural pursuits that are usual and normal to the user's farming operation; and provided, further, that such term shall not include motor vehicles designed to carry 11 to 15 passengers which were manufactured prior to July 1, 2015, and which, as of such date, did not have manufacturer installed seat safety belts.

(b) Each occupant of the front seat of a passenger vehicle shall, while such passenger vehicle is being operated on a public road, street, or highway of this state, be restrained by a seat safety belt approved under Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 208.

(c) The requirement of subsection (b) of this Code section shall not apply to:

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(5) A passenger vehicle with a model year prior to 1965;

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For instructions on how to complete this form, please see Instructions on page 2.



A VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle ID (VIN): _____ Current Title # _____ Year: _____
 Make: _____ Current Title's State of Issue: _____ Color: _____
 Model: _____ GA County of Residence: _____ Cylinders: _____
 Body Style: _____ District # _____ Fuel Type: _____
 Odometer exceptions: EXEMPT Exceeds Mechanical Limits of Odometer Not the Actual Mileage, Warning Odometer discrepancy
 Odometer Reading: _____ Date Purchased: _____

COMPLETE FOR ALL COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Gross Vehicle Weight & Load: _____ Straight Truck? Yes No Used for Hire? Yes No
 Type of Trailer Pulled? _____ Product Hauled? _____ Is this a Farm Vehicle? Yes No

B OWNER INFORMATION

Number of Owners: _____ Leased Vehicle: No Yes (If yes, complete Section D)
 If purchased from an out-of-state business, did you pick up the vehicle out-of-state? Yes No
**Owner's signature below warrants: I do solemnly swear or affirm under criminal penalty of a felony for fraudulent use of a false or fictitious name or address or for making a material false statement punishable by fine up to \$5,000 or by imprisonment of up to five years, or both that the statements contained herein are true and accurate.*

OWNER # 1

Full Legal Name: _____ Driver's License # _____ State: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Email Address: _____ Phone # _____
 Business Name: _____ Name of Agent: _____
 Address: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 *Signature of Owner 1 or Business Agent: _____ Date: _____

OWNER # 2

Full Legal Name: _____ Driver's License # _____ State: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Email Address: _____ Phone # _____
 Business Name: _____ Name of Agent: _____
 Address: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 *Signature of Owner 2 or Business Agent: _____ Date: _____

C SELLER INFORMATION

GA Dealer's/Bank's 12 Digit Customer ID # (If Applicable)

 Full Legal Name or Business Name and Address:

 If Georgia Seller, County Name: _____
 Directly Financed Dealer Sale: Yes No

D LESSEE INFORMATION

Driver's License Number, if individual: _____
 Lessee's Full Legal Name & Address or Business Lessee's Full Name & Address:

 Lessee's GA County Name: _____
 Lessee's Phone Number: _____

D SECURITY INTEREST OR LIENHOLDER INFORMATION (Attach any information on additional lienholders)

12 Digit ELT ID # Name: _____
 Address: _____
 12 Digit ELT ID # Name: _____
 Address: _____

F ATTORNEY IN FACT INFORMATION Attach original power of attorney if title is to be mailed to attorney in fact.

Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

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INSTRUCTION PAGE

Purpose of this Form: This form is to be used when applying for a tag and title and must be signed by all owners in Section B.

How to submit this Form: This form must be completed in its entirety, legibly printed or typed, and submitted along with all required document(s) to the county tag office in the county where you reside or to the Department of Revenue (DOR), when applicable. Please refer to <http://dor.georgia.gov> to locate the county tag office in your county of residence.

A	VEHICLE INFORMATION		
<p>This section must be completed in its entirety. If you do not know the district in which you live, please check with your County Tag Office. Include all the requested information: Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), Make of vehicle, Model of vehicle, Current Title number, Current Title's State of Issue, Georgia County of Residence, District # (if known), Year of vehicle, Color, Cylinders of vehicle, Body style, Fuel Type, and Odometer information including: whether exempt, exceeds mechanical limits, not actual mileage. Also include Odometer reading and date purchase.</p>			
COMPLETE FOR ALL COMMERCIAL VEHICLES			
This section must be completed for all request concerning a commercial vehicle.			
B	OWNER INFORMATION		
<p>List the number of owners, whether the vehicle is leased, and if it was purchased out-of-state. All owners listed on the title must sign this form. By signing this form you are agreeing to the following: <i>*Owner's signature below warrants: I do solemnly swear or affirm under criminal penalty of a felony for fraudulent use of a false or fictitious name or address or for making a material false statement punishable by fine up to \$5,000 or by imprisonment of up to five years, or both that the statements contained herein are true and accurate.</i></p>			
<p>OWNER # 1 For Owner number one:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a business, provide the business name, the name of the signee, address, mailing address (if applicable), email address, and telephone number. • If an individual, provide the driver's license number, state of issuance, full legal name, date of birth, address, mailing address (if applicable), email address, and telephone number. • Signature is required. 			
<p>OWNER # 2 For Owner number two:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a business, provide the business name, the name of the signee, address, mailing address (if applicable), email address, and telephone number. • If an individual, provide the driver's license number, state of issuance, full legal name, date of birth, address, mailing address (if applicable), email address, and telephone number. • Signature is required 			
C	SELLER INFORMATION	D	LESSEE INFORMATION
Provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgia Dealer's or Bank's 12-digit Customer number (if applicable). • Full legal name or business name and address, • Georgia county (if applicable), and • Whether the vehicle was directly financed by the dealer. 		Provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessee's driver's license number (if individual), • Lessee's Full legal name and address or Business Lessee's full name and address, and • Lessee's Georgia County name • Lessee's phone number 	
D SECURITY INTEREST OR LIENHOLDER INFORMATION (Attach any information on additional lienholders)			
List the following for the first two security interest or lienholders (attach any additional lienholder information to this form) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Digit Customer ID # • Name • Address 			
F ATTORNEY IN FACT INFORMATION Attached original power of attorney if title is to be mailed to attorney in fact.			
If using a Power of Attorney, attach the Power of Attorney and fill in their: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Mailing Address • Phone Number • Email Address 			



Georgia Department of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Division
Affidavit of an Assembled Vehicle Inspection

ANY CORRECTION OR ALTERATION WILL VOID THIS AFFIDAVIT



Purpose of this Affidavit: This affidavit is to be used by a vehicle owner to request the Department of Revenue to inspect a vehicle that has been manufactured using new or used vehicle parts from a manufacturer's kit or manufacturer's fabricated parts.

Completing this Affidavit: This affidavit must be completed in its entirety, legibly printed in blue or black ink or typed.

Section A: Complete the owner(s)' information. The mailing address block should contain the physical address of the owner(s).

Section B: Record the vehicle's information for which an inspection is being requested.

Section C: Certify before a Notary Public that all statements are true and accurate.

Section D: Affidavit must be notarized by a commissioned Notary Public.

How to submit this Affidavit: Submit this completed affidavit to the Salvage Section of the Motor Vehicle Division. Please mail to DOR/Motor Vehicle Division, Attn: Salvage Unit, P. O. Box 740384, Atlanta, GA 30374-0384.

Fees: Depending on the type of inspection, a \$150.00 Assembled Motor Vehicle Inspection Fee, \$125.00 Assembled Motorcycle Inspection Fee, or \$100.00 Re-Inspection Fee may apply in addition to an \$18.00 Title Fee and Title Ad Valorem Tax (TAVT), if applicable.

A OWNER INFORMATION

Primary Owner's Full Legal Name: First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name, Suffix

Mailing Address: Street No., Street Name, Apt./Suite No.

City, State, ZIP Code, Telephone No.

Secondary Owner's Full Legal Name: First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name, Suffix

Mailing Address: Street No., Street Name, Apt./Suite No.

City, State, ZIP Code, Telephone No.

B VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN): [Grid]

Year of Construction, Make, Model

C CERTIFICATION

I/we am/are requesting the Department of Revenue (DOR) to inspect the vehicle listed above that has been manufactured using new or used vehicle parts from a manufacturer's kit or manufacturer's fabricated parts. I/we understand and assert that this vehicle may not have been manufactured according to applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards issued pursuant to 49 U.S.C.A § 30101 et seq. I/we also understand and agree that any inspection performed by DOR does not certify, unless specifically stated herein, that such vehicle meets the applicable state and motor vehicle safety standards. I/we indemnify and hold harmless the State of Georgia and any of its agencies from any defects in the assembly or construction of this vehicle. I/We authorize DOR to conduct an inspection of this vehicle to determine whether safety equipment defined in Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Georgia Code has been installed and is operational. I/we agree to maintain the vehicle in compliance with Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Georgia Code, maintain motor vehicle liability insurance coverage, and maintain any applicable federal emission standards issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. §§ 7401-7642, the Clean Air Act, as amended. I/we agree that this vehicle shall be subject to any subsequent safety inspection by any peace officer of any state or commonwealth.

Primary Owner Driver's License No., Signature, Date; Secondary Owner Driver's License No., Signature, Date

D NOTARY PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this [] day of [] Month, [] Year

Notary Public's Full Legal Name: []

Physical Address: []

Email Address, Telephone No.

Signature of Notary Public, Commission Expires: [] / [] / []

Notary Seal or Stamp