

## INDIANA

### **Definitions**

**Antique/Historic Motor Vehicle.** A motor vehicle that is at least twenty-five (25) years old.

**Assembled Vehicle.** A vehicle, excluding a motorcycle, that has had the: frame, chassis, cab, or body; modified from its original construction, replaced, or constructed; or a motorcycle that has had the: frame or engine modified from its original construction, replaced, or constructed. The term includes but is not limited to glider kits, fiberglass body kits, and vehicle reproductions or replicas and includes vehicles that have visible and original vehicle identification numbers.

**Component part.** The engine, transmission, body-chassis, doghouse (front assembly), rear-end, or frame of a vehicle.

**Rebuilt Vehicle.** A salvage vehicle that has been restored to an operable condition.

**Collector Vehicle.** a vehicle that is:

- (1) at least twenty-five (25) years old;
- (2) owned, operated, restored, maintained, or used as a collector's item, a leisure pursuit, or an investment; and
- (3) not used primarily for transportation.

## **Indiana Laws**

### **From Indiana Administrative Code:**

#### **140 IAC 6-1-2 Application for title; contents**

Sec. 2. (a) An individual's information and Social Security number presented to the bureau must match the information that the Social Security Administration has in its records for the Social Security number. An individual who is not a United States citizen must show proof of current lawful status in the United States by presenting sufficient evidence showing the individual meets the requirements of:

- (1) IC 9-24-9-2.5 for a driver's license; or
- (2) IC 9-24-16-3.5(1) for an identification card.

(b) An applicant who purchased a vehicle and is unable to obtain a properly executed title for a vehicle that is valued at five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or less may obtain a title by presenting all of the following items:

- (1) A valid bill of sale.
- (2) An affidavit of ownership on the bureau's designated form.
- (3) A letter requesting the registered owner/seller to provide the signed title to the purchaser. The letter must have been:
  - (A) sent to the seller by registered mail at the seller's last known address; and
  - (B) returned to the sender unopened and marked as being unclaimed.
- (4) A vehicle inspection, if required under IC 9-17-2-12.
- (5) A lien release, if necessary.
- (6) An odometer statement, if required under IC 9-17-2-6.

The bureau will issue a new title to the applicant if the bureau determines that sufficient credible evidence exists to substantiate the applicant's claim of ownership.

#### **140 IAC 6-1-16.5 Salvage title; conversion to rebuilt title; assignment and transfer**

Sec. 16.5. (a) A person who acquires a salvage motor vehicle that was originally manufactured within the prior seven (7) model years must apply for a salvage motor vehicle title.

(b) A person with a salvage motor vehicle title for a vehicle that has been rebuilt may apply for a rebuilt title for that vehicle.

(c) A person with a salvage motor vehicle title may rebuild and sell the rebuilt vehicle without first obtaining a rebuilt title prior to selling the vehicle. However, the seller must provide the purchaser with the salvage motor vehicle title and an affidavit of restoration.

(d) A person may not register a motor vehicle with a salvage motor vehicle title until the person obtains a rebuilt title for the motor vehicle.

**From Indiana Code:**

**IC 9-17-4-1 Assembly of vehicle by owner; application for special identification number; certificate of title**

Sec. 1. If a vehicle has been built, constructed, or assembled by the person that owns the vehicle, the person shall:

(1) indicate on a form provided by the bureau the major component parts that have been used to assemble the vehicle;

(2) make application through the bureau for a special identification number for the vehicle;

(3) after receipt of the special identification number described in subdivision (2), stamp or attach the special identification number received from the bureau in the manner provided in section 2(3) of this chapter; and

(4) apply for a certificate of title for the vehicle from the bureau.

**IC 9-17-4-2 Special identification numbers; placement on vehicle**

Sec. 2. (a) A certificate of title may not be issued for a manufactured or privately assembled vehicle that does not have a special identification number stamped on the vehicle or permanently attached to the vehicle until the person that owns the vehicle has:

(1) an inspection performed under IC 9-17-2-12;

(2) obtained from the bureau a special identification number designated by the bureau; and

(3) stamped or permanently attached the special identification number in a conspicuous place on the frame of the vehicle.

(b) A special identification number obtained from the bureau under subsection (a) for a manufactured or mobile home must be the same identification number used on the certificate of title for the manufactured or mobile home.

**IC 9-17-4-4 Certificate of title; required information**

Sec. 4. A certificate of title issued under this chapter must contain the following:

(1) A description and other evidence of identification of the vehicle as required by the bureau.

(2) A statement of any liens or encumbrances that the application shows to be on the certificate of title.

(3) The appropriate notation prominently recorded on the title as follows:

(A) For a vehicle that is assembled using all new or used vehicle parts that does not resemble a specific manufacturer make or model:

(i) "RECONSTRUCTED VEHICLE", if the certificate of title is issued before January 1, 2019; or

(ii) "SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTED VEHICLE", if the certificate of title is issued after December 31, 2018.

(B) For a vehicle:

(i) with a body built to resemble and be a reproduction of another vehicle of a given year that was manufactured at least twenty-five (25) years in the past; and

(ii) that is assembled using all new or used parts;

"SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTED VEHICLE", if the certificate of title is issued before January 1, 2019, or "REPLICA VEHICLE", if the certificate of title is issued after December 31, 2018.

(C) For a vehicle that has been permanently altered from its original construction by adding, removing, or substituting major component parts, "RECONSTRUCTED".

#### **IC 9-17-4-4.5 Body change certificate of title; requirements; Class C infraction**

Sec. 4.5. (a) A person must obtain a certificate of title whenever the body of a vehicle is altered so that the alteration changes the type of the vehicle, as noted on the:

(1) current title; or

(2) certificate of origin;

of the vehicle.

(b) To receive a body change title, an applicant must provide:

(1) the former title or certificate of origin;

(2) a properly completed body change affidavit using a form prescribed by the bureau; and

(3) proof of a vehicle inspection.

(c) An assembled vehicle and a vehicle that is altered such that the vehicle type is changed must meet all applicable federal and state highway safety requirements before the vehicle may be titled and registered for operation on highways.

(d) A person that fails to obtain an updated certificate of title as required under subsection (a) commits a Class C infraction.

### **IC 9-22-3-15 Rebuilt salvage motor vehicles; issuance of certificate of title; inspection fee**

Sec. 15. (a) If a salvage vehicle is rebuilt for operation upon the highways and ownership is evidenced by a certificate of salvage title, the person that owns the vehicle shall apply to the bureau for a certificate of title with a rebuilt designation. The bureau shall issue a certificate of title under IC 9-17 with a rebuilt designation, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) A state police officer inspects the vehicle and verifies proof of ownership of major component parts used and the source of the major component parts.
- (2) The person that owns the vehicle submits, on a form prescribed by the bureau, a properly executed affidavit from the person that restored the motor vehicle. The affidavit must:
  - (A) include the name, identification number, and source of all component parts that were included in the restoration of the vehicle; and
  - (B) be attached to the certificate of salvage title.
- (3) The person that owns the vehicle surrenders the certificate of salvage title.

A condition under this subsection is in addition to any requirements under IC 9-17.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a certificate of title issued under this section must conspicuously bear the designation:

- (1) "REBUILT VEHICLE" if the vehicle is not a flood damaged vehicle; or
- (2) "REBUILT FLOOD DAMAGED VEHICLE" if the vehicle is a flood damaged vehicle.

(c) An insurance company authorized to do business in Indiana may obtain a certificate of title that does not bear the rebuilt designation if the company submits to the bureau, in the form and manner the bureau requires, satisfactory evidence that the damage, if any, to a recovered stolen vehicle did not meet the criteria set forth in section 3 of this chapter.

(d) A person that knowingly or intentionally violates this section commits a Class A infraction.

(e) A police officer having jurisdiction in Indiana who makes an inspection under this section may charge a fee subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The fee must be established by an ordinance adopted by the unit (as defined in IC 36-1-2-23) that employs the police officer.
- (2) The fee may not exceed five dollars (\$5).
- (3) Revenue generated by the fee shall be deposited in the following manner:

(A) A special vehicle inspection fund if the police officer making the inspection is a member of the county sheriff's department.

(B) A local law enforcement continuing education fund established by IC 5-2-8-2 if the police officer making the inspection is:

(i) a member of a city or town police department;

(ii) a town marshal; or

(iii) a town marshal deputy.

### **IC 9-18-12-2.5 Use of license plate from model year of vehicle**

Sec. 2.5. (a) A person that registers an antique motor vehicle under this chapter may:

(1) furnish; and

(2) display on the antique motor vehicle;

an Indiana license plate from the model year of the antique motor vehicle.

(b) A license plate furnished and displayed under this section must be an authentic license plate from the model year of the antique motor vehicle.

(c) Before a license plate is mounted on an antique motor vehicle under this section, the license plate must be inspected by the bureau to determine whether the license plate:

(1) complies with this section;

(2) is in suitable condition to be displayed; and

(3) bears a unique plate number at the time of the registration of the antique motor vehicle.

The bureau shall authorize the display of a restored or refurbished authentic license plate, but may prohibit the display of an authentic license plate under this section if the authentic license plate is not in conformance with this subsection.

(d) If an Indiana license plate from the model year of the antique motor vehicle is displayed on a motor vehicle registered as an antique motor vehicle under this chapter, the current certificate of registration of the antique motor vehicle shall be:

(1) kept at all times in the vehicle; and

(2) made available for inspection upon the demand of a law enforcement officer.

Notwithstanding IC 9-18-2-21, this subsection is not satisfied by keeping a reproduction of the certificate of registration in the vehicle or making a reproduction of the certificate of registration available for inspection.

(e) The fee to register and display an authentic license plate from the model year of an antique motor vehicle is thirty-seven dollars (\$37). The fee shall be distributed as follows:

(1) Seven dollars (\$7) to the motor vehicle highway account.

(2) Thirty dollars (\$30) to the commission fund.

**IC 9-18.5-34-3 Authentic license plate from model year of collector vehicle; display; fee**

Sec. 3. (a) A person that:

(1) registers a collector vehicle under IC 9-18.1-5-5; and

(2) wishes to display on the collector vehicle an authentic license plate from the model year of the collector vehicle under section 4 of this chapter;

must pay the required fee under subsection (b).

(b) The fee to display an authentic license plate under subsection (a) is thirty-seven dollars (\$37). The fee shall be distributed as follows:

(1) Fifty cents (\$0.50) to the state motor vehicle technology fund.

(2) Six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50) to the motor vehicle highway account.

(3) Thirty dollars (\$30) to the commission fund.

**IC 9-18.1-5-5 Collector vehicle; registration fee**

Sec. 5. The fee to register a collector vehicle is sixteen dollars and thirty-five cents (\$16.35). The fee shall be distributed as follows:

(1) Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) to the state police building fund.

(2) Fifty cents (\$0.50) to the state motor vehicle technology account.

(3) Two dollars and ninety cents (\$2.90) to the highway, road and street fund.

(4) Four dollars (\$4) to the crossroads 2000 fund.

(5) One dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) to the integrated public safety communications fund.

(6) Three dollars and ten cents (\$3.10) to the commission fund.

(7) Any remaining amount to the motor vehicle highway account.

**IC 9-18.1-8-1 Military vehicle registration**

Sec. 1. A person that owns a military vehicle displaying a registration number as described in section 3 of this chapter may register the military vehicle under this chapter instead of under IC 9-18.1-5.

**IC 9-18.1-8-2 Military vehicle not required to display license plate**

Sec. 2. A military vehicle that is registered under this chapter is not required to display a license plate on the military vehicle.

**IC 9-18.1-8-3 Military vehicle identification number**

Sec. 3. The registration number for a military vehicle registered under this chapter is the military vehicle identification number stenciled on the military vehicle in white or yellow letters and numbers in accordance with applicable military regulations.

**IC 9-18.1-8-4 Permanent registration of a military vehicle; fees**

Sec. 4. The registration of a military vehicle under this chapter is permanent. The fee for the permanent registration of a military vehicle is twelve dollars (\$12). The fee shall be distributed as follows:

- (1) Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) to the state construction fund.
- (2) Fifty cents (\$0.50) to the state motor vehicle technology fund.
- (3) Two dollars and ninety cents (\$2.90) to the highway, road and street fund.
- (4) Four dollars (\$4) to the crossroads 2000 fund.
- (5) One dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) to the integrated public safety communications fund.
- (6) Three dollars and ten cents (\$3.10) to the commission fund.

**IC 9-18.1-8-5 Permanent registration; annual renewal**

Sec. 5. A permanent registration under section 4 of this chapter must be renewed on an annual basis. There is no fee to renew the permanent registration. However, the military vehicle remains subject to all applicable excise taxes.

**IC 6-6-5-3 Valuation of vehicles**

Sec. 3. (a) This section applies to vehicles that:

- (1) are registered as:
  - (A) passenger motor vehicles;
  - (B) motorcycles;

(C) collector vehicles; or

(D) trucks with a declared gross weight of eleven thousand (11,000) pounds or less; and

(2) are model years 1981 and later.

(b) The bureau shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to determine the value of vehicles to which this section applies as the basis for measuring the vehicle excise tax. The rules must determine the value of a vehicle as of the time it is first offered for sale as a new vehicle in Indiana.

(c) For each vehicle, beginning with the 1990 model year, the bureau shall reduce the value determined under subsection (b) by dividing:

(1) the price determined under subsection (b); by

(2) one (1) plus the average percentage increase in new automobile prices using the most recent annual reference to the Consumer Price Index for Private New Automobiles as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor.

## **Indiana Equipment Exemptions**

### **IC 13-11-2-245 “Vehicle”**

Sec. 245. (a) “Vehicle”, for purposes of IC 13-17-5, refers to a vehicle required to be registered with the bureau of motor vehicles and **required to have brakes**. The term does not include the following:

- (1) Mobile homes (house trailers).
- (2) Trailers weighing not more than three thousand (3,000) pounds.
- (3) A vehicle that is **at least twenty-five (25) years old**.
- (4) Special machinery (as defined in IC 9-13-2-170.3).

### **Article 19. Motor Vehicle Equipment**

#### **Chapter 8. Mufflers and Noise Limits**

##### **IC 9-19-8-1 Application of chapter**

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to every motor vehicle, except a vehicle that is at least twenty-five (25) years old.

##### **IC 9-19-10-2 Safety belt standards; use of belt**

Sec. 2. Each occupant of a motor vehicle equipped with a safety belt that:

- (1) meets the standards stated in the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Number 208 (49 CFR 571.208); and
- (2) is standard equipment installed by the manufacturer;

shall have a safety belt properly fastened about the occupant's body at all times when the vehicle is in forward motion.

##### **IC 9-19-6-21 Single-beam road-lighting equipment**

Sec. 21. Head lamps arranged to provide a single distribution of light are permitted on motor vehicles **manufactured and sold before March 9, 1956**, instead of the multiple-beam road-lighting equipment specified in this chapter, if the single distribution of light meets the following requirements:

- (1) The head lamps must be aimed so that when the vehicle is not loaded none of the high-intensity part of the light will:
  - (A) at a distance of twenty-five (25) feet ahead, project higher than a level of five (5) inches below the level of the center of the lamp from which light comes; and

(B) at a distance of seventy-five (75) feet ahead, project higher than forty-two (42) inches above the level on which the vehicle stands.

(2) The intensity must be sufficient to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least two hundred (200) feet.



## COLLECTOR VEHICLE AFFIDAVIT

State Form 56166 (1-17)  
INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. Complete in blue or black ink, or print form.
  2. Under Indiana Code 9-13-2-28.4 and Indiana Code 9-18.5-34-2, a vehicle may be registered as a collector vehicle if the vehicle is at least twenty-five (25) years old; owned, operated, restored, maintained, or used as a collector's item, a leisure pursuit, or an investment; and not used primarily for transportation.
  3. A person registering a vehicle as a collector vehicle must complete this form upon issuance of a collector vehicle registration and each subsequent registration renewal.

SECTION 1 - OWNER INFORMATION															
Name of Registrant(s)															
Legal Address (number and street)										City			State		ZIP Code
SECTION 2 - VEHICLE INFORMATION															
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):															
Year					Make					Model					
SECTION 3 - AFFIRMATION															
<b>I swear and affirm under the penalties for perjury that the information entered on this form is true and correct, and that the above described collector vehicle, as defined in Indiana Code 9-13-2-28.4, is:</b>															
<b>(1) At least twenty-five (25) years old;</b>															
<b>(2) Owned, operated, restored, maintained, or used as a collector's item, a leisure pursuit, or an investment; and</b>															
<b>(3) Not used primarily for transportation.</b>															
Signature of Registrant						Printed Name and Position ( <i>agent, trustee, etc., if applicable</i> )						Date Signed ( <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> )			
BMV USE ONLY															
Branch Name and Number						Visit ID						Date Processed ( <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> )			



# AFFIDAVIT OF OWNERSHIP FOR A VEHICLE

State Form 23037 (R7 / 4-11)  
INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

**BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES**  
100 North Senate Avenue, N411  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

\* This agency is requesting disclosure of your Social Security Number in accordance with IC 4-1-8; disclosure is mandatory and this record cannot be processed without it.

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. An applicant who is unable to obtain a properly executed title for a vehicle may present the below form to obtain a certificate of title.
  2. Please complete in blue or black ink or print form.
  3. The retail value of the vehicle must meet the requirements as determined by the Bureau.
  4. The purchaser must have a notarized Bill of Sale or a Bill of Sale signed under penalty of perjury which indicates the vehicle's year, make, VIN, seller, purchaser, and purchase price. Sales tax will be assessed by the amount indicated on the Bill of Sale.
  5. An unopened, unclaimed certified letter to the seller's (and lien holder, if applicable) last known address requesting the title must be presented with this affidavit. A copy of the unopened letter should be included to confirm the request for the title to the vehicle in question. Do not open the original letter.
  6. Include a lien release, if necessary.
  7. A VIN inspection completed by law enforcement is required.
  8. Include an Odometer Disclosure Statement, if applicable

### PURCHASER INFORMATION

Purchaser's Name (last, first, middle initial or company name)				Social Security Number* or Federal Identification Number			
Purchaser's Legal Address (number and street)			City		State	ZIP Code	

### VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification Number	Vehicle Year	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Type	Vehicle Color	License Plate Number

### SELLER INFORMATION

Seller's Name (last, first, middle initial or company name)				
Seller's Legal Address (number and street)		City	State	ZIP Code
Date of Sale (mm/dd/yyyy)		Purchase Price \$		

This affidavit is submitted to request the State of Indiana, Bureau of Motor Vehicles to issue an Indiana Certificate of Title.

I warrant and agree to defend this claim and to indemnify and hold harmless the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles from any liability arising from this transaction.

I swear or affirm that the information that I have entered on this form is correct. I understand that making a false statement may constitute the crime of perjury.

Signature of Purchaser	Printed Name	Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)
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