



# Iowa Department of Transportation

## APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AND BONDED CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR A VEHICLE

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**Applicant Information:**

Last Name/Organization	First Name	MI
, Iowa		
Street Address	City	Zip Code
County		
Home Phone	Work/Alternate Phone	Email

Social Security Number, Driver License Number, or Iowa ID Number

**Seller/Previous Owner Information:**

Name and address of the person from whom the vehicle was acquired.

**Vehicle Information:**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ VIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Style: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Cylinders: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fuel Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer Empty Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Travel Trailer Square Footage: \_\_\_\_\_

I have knowledge the motor vehicle was previously junked or titled as salvaged, rebuilt, or flood in this or any other state.  
 Yes  No

I/We certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Applicant's Signature

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY				
Documents: <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership		System File Date: / /		
NCIC: <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: / /	VIN Assist: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	Book Value:	Bond Value:	
Title Record: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Lien Record: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	10 Day Letter: <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: / /	Junking Certificate: <input type="checkbox"/> 25 Years old <input type="checkbox"/> Not qualified	NMVTIS: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Go Back: / / Reason:	Rider Requested: / / Rider Reason:	Returned: / / Rider Added: / /		
Bond Mailed: / /	Bond Returned: / /	ARTS: / /		
Denied: / /	Reason:	File Closed:		
Notes:				

## INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

If your vehicle cannot be titled or registered by your county treasurer because you do not have the proper title documents, you may be able to file a bond as a condition of obtaining a title and registration plates. However, a vehicle issued a junking certificate can be reinstated through the bonding procedure if the vehicle is 25 years old or older, ref. Iowa Code 321.24. Trailers with an empty weight of 2,000 pounds or less cannot be processed under this application.

Submit the following to the Iowa Department of Transportation, Office of Vehicle Services, Box 9278, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9278. Phone 515-237-3055 or 515-237-3049.

To avoid processing delays please submit the following required supporting documents:

1. An "Application for Registration and Bonded Certificate of Title For a Vehicle," Form No. 411008, completed and signed.
2. A copy of any written document received at the time the vehicle was acquired, such as a bill of sale or cancelled check.

**The Department will:**

1. Determine whether there is an active title record or junking certificate record on file for the vehicle in the state of Iowa. If a record is found, the department shall notify, by first-class mail, the owner of the record, at the last known address, that an application for bonded certificate of title has been received. The notice shall include a statement in which the owner of record may assert their right to claim the vehicle or to waive any further claim. If the department receives no further response from the owner of record within 10 days after the date of the mailing or receives a waiver of further claim to the vehicle, the department will continue processing the bond.
2. Determine the current value of the vehicle and require that a cash bond or surety bond, based on one and one-half times the current value of the vehicle, be filed with the department as a condition of issuing a certificate of title and registration receipt. The bond paper showing the current value of the vehicle and the amount of the bond will be sent to you to be completed and signed by your surety company representative and also by you as the principal. The signed bond must be returned to the Office of Vehicle Services. Cash bonds may be deposited with the state and are held for three years on a non-interest bearing basis or you may purchase a surety bond from a bonding company, licensed to conduct business in the state of Iowa. Fees to obtain a surety bond through a bonding company are set by the company. Please refer to the bonding company for the fee to obtain your surety bond.
3. Send to the Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Enforcement, a letter authorizing the county treasurer to issue a title for your vehicle. An investigator will contact you and make an appointment to verify that the information submitted on your application correctly identifies the vehicle that you own. Should your vehicle not meet the specific equipment requirements under Iowa Code Chapter 321., the investigator shall authorize the county treasurer to issue title and registration and immediately suspend registration until such time your vehicle meets the specific equipment requirements. The investigator will give you the authorization letter which you may then take to your county treasurer's office (within 30 days of written authorization from the Department and) make application for certificate of title, pay the appropriate fees and register your vehicle.
4. Hold the bond for 3 years, after which time the bond will expire and there is no requirement for a bond.

<b>MINIMUM SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS</b>		
<p><b>LIGHTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Headlamps</li> <li>Beam indicator</li> <li>Reflectors (rear)</li> <li>Clearance and identification</li> <li>Parking lamps</li> <li>Stop lights</li> <li>Turn signals</li> <li>Taillights</li> <li>Number of lamps required <i>(no more than 4 at any one time)</i></li> <li>No white light to rear</li> </ul>	<p><b>BRAKES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service</li> <li>Parking</li> <li>Performance</li> </ul> <p><b>HORN</b></p> <p><b>MUFFLERS</b></p> <p><b>MIRRORS</b></p>	<p><b>WINDSHIELDS &amp; WINDOWS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear vision permitted</li> <li>Safety glass required</li> </ul> <p><b>WIPERS</b></p> <p><b>TIRES</b></p> <p><b>SEAT BELTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Required on 1966 or newer</li> </ul>