



# APPLICATION FOR NONREPAIRABLE VEHICLE TITLE OR SALVAGE VEHICLE TITLE

**\$8 Application Fee Required to Process (Do NOT send cash!)**

(REFER TO BACK FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THIS FORM)

TYPE OF APPLICATION (check one):					
<input type="checkbox"/> Nonrepairable Vehicle Title (required)		<input type="checkbox"/> Nonrepairable Vehicle Title (voluntary)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Salvage Vehicle Title (required)		<input type="checkbox"/> Salvage Vehicle Title (voluntary)			
OWNER INFORMATION					
NAME OF TITLE APPLICANT				INVENTORY NUMBER	
OWNER'S I.D. NUMBER (Employer I.D. Number or SSN) see ★below				CLAIM OR STOCK NUMBER	
MAIL TO NAME (if different than name above)				DATE	
ADDRESS					
SIGNATURE OF OWNER/AGENT			PRINTED NAME (same as signature)		DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER ( )
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION					
Vehicle Identification Number			Year	Make	Model
Odometer Reading (no tenths) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10ths			The mileage shown is: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> - Actual Mileage <input type="checkbox"/> <b>N</b> - Not Actual Mileage	<b>WARNING - ODOMETER DISCREPANCY</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>X</b> - Mileage exceeds mechanical limits	
Empty Weight	Carrying Capacity (lbs.)	Tonnage	Trailer Type ( ) Semi ( ) Full	Plate No.	Surrendered Title No. and State
Type of Damage (check one)			This vehicle (check one):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Flood Damage			<input type="checkbox"/> was the subject of a total loss claim paid by an insurance company		
<input type="checkbox"/> Collision/Other Damage			<input type="checkbox"/> was sold, transferred or released to the owner or former owner of the motor vehicle		
			<input type="checkbox"/> was sold, transferred or released to a buyer in a casual sale		
			<input type="checkbox"/> is a self-insured vehicle		
			<input type="checkbox"/> is an export-only vehicle		
Description of damage to the vehicle: _____					
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LIEN INFORMATION (see reverse side)					
First Lien Date	Lienholder Name:				
	Address				
	City, State, Zip Code				
PREVIOUS OWNER INFORMATION					
Previous Owner's Name, Address, City, State, Zip Code					
<b>WARNING:</b> A person who violates the provisions of Transportation Code, Chapter 501, Subchapter E, or a rule adopted for the administration thereof commits a Class A misdemeanor, which could result in a fine not to exceed \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both such fine and imprisonment.					
★ You are not required by law to provide your Social Security or Employer I.D. Number. However, primarily because of the duplication of individuals' names, this information is requested for our records maintenance program to assist in identifying the true owner of the vehicle.					

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Transportation Code, Chapter 501, Subchapter E, provides that a person who acquires ownership of a nonrepairable or salvage motor vehicle, regardless of the year model, must apply for a Texas Nonrepairable or Salvage Vehicle Title prior to further transfer of ownership. Whether a vehicle is a nonrepairable or a salvage motor vehicle is determined by the pre-damaged actual cash value of the vehicle and the cost of repair as given in the definitions below.

**SALVAGE MOTOR VEHICLE:** A “salvage motor vehicle” is a motor vehicle that:

- (1) is damaged to the extent that the cost of repair exceeds the actual cash value of the motor vehicle immediately before the damage; or
- (2) is damaged and that comes into this state under an out-of-state salvage motor vehicle certificate of title or similar out-of-state ownership document that states on its face “accident damage,” “flood damage,” “inoperable,” “rebuildable,” “salvageable,” or similar notation.

A salvage motor vehicle does not include an out-of-state motor vehicle with a “rebuilt,” “prior salvage,” “salvaged,” or similar notation, a nonrepairable motor vehicle, or a motor vehicle for which an insurance company has paid a claim for the cost of repairing hail damage, or theft, unless the motor vehicle was damaged during the theft and before recovery to the extent that the cost of repair exceeds the actual cash value of the motor vehicle immediately before the damage.

**NONREPAIRABLE MOTOR VEHICLE:** A “nonrepairable motor vehicle” is a motor vehicle that:

- (1) is damaged, wrecked, or burned to the extent that the only residual value of the vehicle is as a source of parts or scrap metal; or
- (2) comes into this state under a title or other ownership document that indicates that the vehicle is nonrepairable, junked, or for parts or dismantling only.

A vehicle for which a Nonrepairable Vehicle Title is issued on or after September 1, 2003, **may not be rebuilt, retitled, or operated on the public highways.**

### APPLICATION

**FEE:** \$8 application fee must accompany the application for each Nonrepairable or Salvage Vehicle Title.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** This application shall be supported by the negotiable title document (evidence of ownership) that is properly assigned to the title applicant, (unless the applicant is the recorded owner or an insurance company) and an odometer disclosure statement only for salvage motor vehicles that are **less** than 10 years old. An insurance company may surrender a certificate of title that is not properly assigned only as provided below.

**VOLUNTARY APPLICATION:** A person may voluntarily apply for a Nonrepairable or Salvage Vehicle Title for a vehicle that does not fall within the definitions provided above.

**LIENS:** A new lien may be recorded or an existing lien may be carried forward to a Salvage Vehicle Title. Only an existing, recorded lien may be carried forward (a new lien may not be recorded) to a Nonrepairable Vehicle Title.

### INSURANCE COMPANY APPLICATION WITHOUT PROPERLY ASSIGNED EVIDENCE OF OWNERSHIP

An insurance company may apply for a Nonrepairable or Salvage Vehicle Title by surrendering a certificate of title that is not properly assigned only under the following conditions:

- At least 46 days have passed since the date of payment of the claim;
- The insurance company:
  - has obtained the release of all liens on the motor vehicle,
  - is unable to locate one or more owners of the motor vehicle; and
  - has provided notice to the last known address in the department's records to each owner that has not been located by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested.
- If the notice (above) is returned unclaimed, the insurance company must publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the unclaimed mail was sent.
- Insurance company **proof of notification must accompany this application.** Proof may consist of:
  - Notice by Certified Mail – Proof shall consist of the U.S. Post Office validated (date stamped) receipts for certified mail (PS Form 3800) and return receipt (PS Form 3811), together with any **unopened** certified letter(s) returned by the post office as undeliverable, unclaimed or due to no forwarding address. A copy of the PS Form 3877 can be accepted in lieu of a PS Form 3800, provided the form contains a U.S. postal date stamp and the “Article Number” on all documentation corresponds (PS Form 3811, PS Form 3877, unopened envelope). A copy of the PS Form 3811-A or a printout of the U.S. postal service’s electronic track/confirm screen may be accepted in lieu of the PS Form 3811 when the post office loses the return receipt (PS Form 3811), or the unopened certified letter(s) that should have been returned as undeliverable, unclaimed, or no forwarding address.
  - Notice by Newspaper Publication (only if applicable) – Proof shall consist of evidence of the certified mail (same as above for certified mail) AND a legible photocopy of the newspaper publication which includes the name of the publication and the date of publication.

**SUBMIT THIS FORM TO:** SALVAGE VEHICLE TITLE ISSUANCE, VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION DIVISION,  
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PO BOX 26450, AUSTIN TX 78755-0450

**IF USING EXPRESS MAIL SUBMIT THIS FORM TO:** TITLE CONTROL SYSTEMS BRANCH, VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION DIVISION,  
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 4000 JACKSON AVENUE, AUSTIN TX 78731

### TO AVOID APPLICATION REJECTION OR ISSUANCE OF AN INCORRECT VEHICLE TITLE, PLEASE ENSURE:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requested vehicle title type is selected</li><li>• Complete name and address of title applicant is provided</li><li>• Description of vehicle is complete</li><li>• Odometer disclosure statement is complete (required for salvage motor vehicles less than 10 years old)</li><li>• Type of damage is selected</li><li>• Description of damage to vehicle is complete</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Properly assigned negotiable title document is attached.</li><li>• Proof of notification(s) is attached if an insurance company is submitting a certificate of title without proper assignments</li><li>• Title applicant/agent has signed and dated the application</li><li>• \$8 application fee is enclosed</li></ul> |
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### NOTICE

With a few exceptions, you are entitled to be informed about the information TxDOT collects about you. Texas Government Code, §§552.021, 552.023, and 559.004 further entitle you to receive and review the information on request, and to request the department correct any information about you that is deemed incorrect. Please contact the TxDOT Vehicle Titles and Registration Division at 512/465-7611 for further details.

