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Montana Department of Justice
MVD
Motor Vehicle Division
Safety • Efficiency • Dependability
Title and Registration Bureau

Application for Break/Bond Title

See page 2 for instructions and fees

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Applicant's Legal Name (First, Middle, Last) or Firm Name				DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID*
Co-Applicant's Legal Name (First, Middle, Last)				DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID*
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code	County
Residential Address	City	State	Zip Code	County

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Identification Number	Year	Make			
Model	Body Style	Color	Weight (if applicable)	Ton (if applicable)	CCs (if applicable)
Vessel MT Number	Vessel Length FT. IN.	Vessel Use	Vessel Propulsion	Vessel Material	Vessel Type

3 **Describe the facts and circumstances through which you acquired ownership and possession of the vehicle and attempts you made to contact the OWNER OF RECORD** (attach additional sheets if needed). **Proof of Purchase must be submitted with this application** (e.g., bill of sale, cancelled check, invoice, etc.).

Vehicle purchased/acquired from	Date purchased/acquired	Price	
Address	City	State	Zip Code

Is there a security interest or lien against this vehicle?
No – continue to next section
Yes – complete this section and submit a filing fee of $8 for each security interest or lien.

Dated _____ Amount _____ Perfected Date _____

In favor of _____
Provide full and complete name of secured party, lienholder or encumbrancer

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Provide full and complete address of secured party, lienholder or encumbrancer

***** One of the following sections (A, B or C) *and* section D must be completed *****

A ☐ This vehicle is a slide-in truck camper, off-highway vehicle (not licensed for street use), motorboat, personal watercraft, sailboat or snowmobile. A surety bond is not required.

B Manufactured homes must be valued by the ***county assessor***. If the value of the manufactured home is over $500, a surety bond is required.
I certify under penalty of law **(MCA 45-7-203 Unsworn Falsification to Authorities)** that the value listed below is correct.

Assessed Date _____ Assessed By _____ Value _____
Written name

C For all other vehicles, the applicant determines the value and completes this section. If the vehicle's value is over $500, a surety bond is required.
I certify under penalty of law (MCA 45-7-203 Unsworn Falsification to Authorities) that (check the appropriate box):
☐ The value of the vehicle is over $500, based on information from an applicable national appraisal guide for the vehicle as of January 1 for the year in which application is made, or on my knowledge and belief if a national appraisal guide is not available for the vehicle.
☐ The value of the vehicle is $500 or less.
Note: The Motor Vehicle Division reserves the right to investigate the value of a vehicle.

D I certify that the information contained on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I have the right to have a certificate of title issued.
Owner/Applicant Signature *(sign in presence of Notary)*: _____

Notary Use Only

Do not notarize or verify unless signed in your presence and printed name of applicant is listed.

State of	County of	Signed before me on (date)	Notary Stamp/Seal
by (clearly print name of person signing form)			
Notary signature			

* DL=Driver License number; FEIN=Federal Employee Identification Number; Tribal ID=Tribal Identification card number; Corp ID=Corporate Identification number

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Instructions for Completing this Application for Break/Bond Title (MCA 61-3-208)

This form may be used when an applicant cannot provide a certificate of title assigning the prior owner's interest in a vehicle.

For purposes of this document, a vehicle includes a motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer, pole trailer, motorboat, sailboat, personal watercraft, slide-in truck camper, snowmobile, OHV and manufactured home.

Surety Bond: A one-time, non-refundable instrument that allows the issuance of a new title. The value of a vehicle determines whether or not a surety bond is required.

Note: If dealers sell a vehicle for which they don't have and can't obtain a title, they are required to complete this form and receive a break/bond title in their name before they can transfer the vehicle to a customer.

1. Complete Parts 1, 2 and 3 on page 1. Section A, B or C must also be completed:
   - ***Truck camper, off-highway vehicle (not licensed for street use), motorboat, personal watercraft, sailboat or snowmobile:*** The applicant completes **Section A**. The value is not required, nor is a surety bond required.
   - ***Manufactured Home:*** The county assessor assesses the value and completes **Section B**. If the value is over $500, a surety bond is required.
   - ***All other vehicles:*** The applicant determines the value and completes **Section C**. If the value is determined to be over $500, a surety bond is required. The value is based on information from an applicable national appraisal guide for the vehicle as of January 1 for the year in which application is made or on the applicant's knowledge and belief if a national appraisal guide is not available for the vehicle.
2. Have a law enforcement officer complete a stage 1 vehicle inspection - Form MV20.
3. Describe how you came to own the vehicle and attach proof of purchase (e.g., cancelled check, bill of sale, invoice, etc.).
4. The surety bond may be obtained through any insurance company authorized to do business in Montana. The surety bond must:
   - Be in an amount equal to the value of the vehicle for which the application is being made, as determined by the national appraisal guide or the applicant.
   - Be conditioned to indemnify a prior owner, lienholder, subsequent purchaser, secured creditor or encumbrancer of the vehicle and any respective successors in interest against expenses, losses or damages, including reasonable attorney fees, caused by the issuance of the certificate of title or by a defect in or undisclosed security interest upon the right, title and interest of the applicant in the vehicle.
5. The owner/applicant must sign **Section D** and have their signature notarized.
6. A. If you wish to ***title and register*** the vehicle, take the documents outlined in 6B to your county treasurer's office to apply for a title and obtain license plates, a registration sticker, or a Montana vessel number.

   B. If you wish to only ***title*** the vehicle, send the following documents directly to the Title and Registration Bureau:
   - This form (MV10)
   - Vehicle inspection form (MV20)
     - See the Title Manual for inspection information: doj.mt.gov/driving/forms.
   - Proof of purchase (e.g., cancelled check, bill of sale, invoice, etc.)
   - Surety bond (if applicable)
   - Applicable fee: $12 for light vehicles, trucks and buses - all weighing one ton or less; $10 for all other vehicles. Additional taxes and fees may be due upon registration.
7. After the bond expires, a new Montana title may be issued without the bond designation and expiration date. The bond expiration date is located on the face of the Montana title. The registered owner must submit the title or if the title is lost, the MV7 application and applicable title fees to the Title and Registration Bureau.

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