



## Registering an Out-of-State Vehicle in Missouri

Moving to Missouri or buying a vehicle titled in another state? Use this checklist to register your out-of-state vehicle through the Missouri Department of Revenue — Motor Vehicle Bureau.

### KEY FACTS

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| State               | Missouri                                              |
| Agency              | Missouri Department of Revenue — Motor Vehicle Bureau |
| Process             | See official source                                   |
| Notary required     | Not specified                                         |
| Bill of sale        | Not specified                                         |
| Odometer disclosure | Not specified                                         |
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### QUICK REFERENCE

|                         |                               |                           |                             |
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| NOTARY<br>Not specified | BILL OF SALE<br>Not specified | ODOMETER<br>Not specified | INSPECTION<br>Not specified |
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### PRINTABLE CHECKLIST

#### Required checklist

- ☐ **Out-of-state title (properly assigned to you, if purchased)** **REQUIRED**  
The existing title from the other state. If you purchased the vehicle, it must be signed over to you.
- ☐ **Government-issued photo ID (current Missouri address)** **REQUIRED**  
Most states require proof of residency to register a vehicle.
- ☐ **Proof of Missouri address** **REQUIRED**  
Utility bill, lease agreement, or other proof of current residency.
- ☐ **Proof of insurance meeting Missouri minimum requirements** **REQUIRED**  
Insurance from an insurer licensed in Missouri.
- ☐ **Odometer disclosure statement** **CONDITIONAL**  
Required if the vehicle is under 10 years old.
- ☐ **VIN verification (may be required)** **CONDITIONAL**  
Some states require a physical VIN inspection by law enforcement or a DMV inspector.
- ☐ **Safety and/or emissions inspection (if required)** **CONDITIONAL**  
Check whether your state requires an inspection before registration.
- ☐ **Payment for title and registration fees** **REQUIRED**

### SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

**Inspection:** Not specified — Inspection requirements vary by state. Check with the official state agency.

### STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS

- 1 Establish residency in Missouri (get a local address if you haven't).
- 2 Obtain the out-of-state title (properly assigned to you, if purchased).
- 3 Check whether Missouri requires a VIN verification or safety/emissions inspection.
- 4 Complete any required inspections.
- 5 Submit the title, application, ID, proof of insurance, and fees to the state motor vehicle agency.
- 6 Surrender the out-of-state plates if required.
- 7 Receive your new Missouri title and registration.

### COMMON MISTAKES



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- Not completing a required inspection before going to the DMV.
  - Forgetting to update your driver's license to the new state (usually required within 30–60 days of moving).
  - Paying out-of-state registration while also owing taxes in the new state.
  - Bringing an incomplete title (missing buyer signature, odometer reading, etc.).

#### **OFFICIAL SOURCES**

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**Missouri Department of Revenue — Motor Vehicle Bureau**

<https://dor.mo.gov/vehicles/>