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Flags

Definition of a flag

A "Flag" is an indicator that is placed on a vehicle record to indicate that some action has been, or needs to be, taken. Some flags are for information only, while other flags will not allow certain transactions to be processed.

Flag 2

Title canceled. The current title has been canceled. The registration is not canceled but cannot be renewed until the title cancellation has been resolved. Look-up must be done at DMV headquarters to explain the reason the title was canceled. Call (503) 945-5000 for additional information.

Flag 6

Title returned unclaimed. Indicates a title was returned to DMV headquarters unclaimed (wrong address, etc.).

Flag 7

Plates/stickers returned unclaimed. Indicates plates and/or stickers were returned to DMV headquarters unclaimed (wrong address, etc.).

Flag 8

This flag indicates the vehicle was sold to a dismantler and notice was given to DMV under [ORS 819.215](#) or [819.280](#). The vehicle cannot be titled or registered again. DMV cannot accept a title or registration application.

Flag 9

Vehicle wrecked. Indicates that DMV has received some type of notification that the vehicle may have been damaged. Look-up must be done.

Flag 10

Dealer stock. Indicates a dealer has notified DMV that they have purchased this vehicle. The transaction must include a release of interest from the dealer on our record.

Flag 11

Sold flag. Indicates DMV has received only information that the vehicle has been sold, or only an incomplete buyer name. (See also Flag 49)

Flag 12

Administrative review notation. This is an administrative flag used for various reasons, such as when law enforcement is actively pursuing an investigation or DMV has been restrained from transferring title by court order.

Flag 13

NSF check. Indicates that DMV received a check for a transaction that was returned to ODOT Financial Services for insufficient funds.

Flag 15

Totaled vehicle - ownership document has NOT been surrendered. Examples: notice from an insurer that the vehicle is totaled; or notice from vehicle owner the vehicle is totaled due to damage.

Flag 16

Surrendered plates/stickers. Indicates when plates have been surrendered.

Flag 17

Earned fee. Indicates DMV had documents that were not processed for lack of proper information. The unprocessed documents may have a bearing on any new transactions. The documents are microfilmed. Look-up must be done.

Flag 18

Vehicle wrecked - ownership document has been surrendered to DMV with a notice from an insurer, owner, or other person that the vehicle was wrecked, destroyed, disassembled or substantially altered or destroyed or totaled per [ORS 819](#); or Notice of Vehicle to be Dismantled/Proof of Compliance, [Form 735-6017](#).

Flag 19

Vehicle wrecked or abandoned - ownership document has not been received. Vehicle must be retitled as an assembled, reconstructed or replica vehicle. Example of documents received: any statement such as a copy of the title or insurance bill of sale that indicates the vehicle was wrecked, dismantled, or substantially altered, destroyed or totaled per [ORS 819](#); or an indication the vehicle was sold under [ORS 819](#).

Flag 20

Title canceled by another state. Indicates the Oregon title has been cancelled because it was surrendered to another state and returned to DMV headquarters. The name of the issuing state is displayed in the flag message field.

Flag 21

Notification has been received from another state that the vehicle has either been registered or titled in that state and the Oregon title has not been returned for cancellation; however, the information received is not clear which.

Flag 22

Issued in error. Indicates that the current title was processed but not mailed due to incomplete information. The information displayed may not be accurate and usually a pending case has been set up in DMV headquarters.

Flag 23

Suspended vehicle registration. Indicates that the vehicle registration is suspended due to court action. This flag does not affect the status of the driver.

Flag 24

Possible incorrect VIN or other vehicle discrepancy. Indicates there may be an error in the VIN, make, and year or body style for the vehicle. DMV may also have received a teletype or other indication from law enforcement of an error in the VIN, or DMV received a call from an owner that there may be an error. The flag serves as an indicator that DMV may have new information. Call (503) 945-5000 for additional information.

Flag 25

Title returned. Indicates the Oregon title has been returned to DMV for unknown reasons. Look-up must be done.

Flag 27

Registration canceled. Microfilm look-up is necessary to determine the reason why the registration was canceled and the requirements that must be met before issuing new registration.

Flag 28

Elected official. Record indicates elected official plate issued to elected official. Elected officials may have elected official plates assigned to their vehicle in addition to regular series plates. They may display either set of plates. The elected official plate record is a dummy record that references the regular plate record of the vehicle. The flag is used to assure no renewal reminder, etc., is produced.

Flag 29

Totaled vehicle - primary ownership document has been surrendered to DMV. Examples: notice from an insurer that the vehicle is totaled, or notice from the owner that the vehicle is totaled due to damage.

Flag 30

TOD. Indicates DMV has a transitional ownership document on file for the vehicle.

Flag 31

This flag indicates the vehicle did not prove compliance with the low emission vehicle requirement. Title only was issued. DMV may not issue registration unless the vehicle

proves compliance, or is now not subject to the LEV requirement, or an exemption is certified on a Declaration of Exemption from the Oregon Low Emission Vehicle Requirement (LEV), [Form 735-7309](#).

Flag 35

Indicates vehicle is in a dismantler's stock - that a dismantler has sold the vehicle to another dismantler. Flag is added when a copy of the Dismantler's Vehicle Notice to Driver and Motor Vehicle Services, [Form 735-270](#), is received and a Flag 38 is already on the vehicle record. The vehicle cannot be titled or registered again. DMV cannot accept a title or registration application.

Flag 37

Names may not match on title. Indicates the record has been corrected to show true name therefore, the name(s) on the record and the name(s) on the title may vary slightly.

Flag 38

Indicates vehicle is in a dismantler's stock. Flag is added when a Dismantler's Vehicle Notice to Driver and Motor Vehicle Services, [Form 735-270](#), is received along with the ownership document. The dismantler's identification number is in the message field. The vehicle cannot be titled or registered again. DMV cannot accept a title or registration application.

Flag 40

Litigation hold flag. This flag is added to a record when DMV is legally restricted from purging or destroying any data associated with this record.

Flag 41

Farm plates for the vehicle or the farm registration itself has been canceled.

Flag 42

The owner needs to complete an Farm Certification Application, [Form 730-9670](#).

Flag 44

Incomplete farm certification received by DMV.

Flag 46

Registration canceled due to DMV being notified by someone that their address is being used without their permission by another person.

Flag 48

Law enforcement has determined that the vehicle is unfit for use. The vehicle was used in illegal drug manufacturing and/or as a storage site. These vehicles are declared unfit until a Certificate of Fitness has been issued by the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division.

Flag 49

Indicates vehicle has been sold and that DMV has received at least the buyer name (either the first and last name, or a partial name along with additional information such as an address or telephone number). This flag does not constitute a release or an assignment of interest. (See also Flag 11)

Flag 51

Indicates the vehicle was manufactured for off-road use only and is not eligible for registration through DMV.

Flag 52

Indicates there is a fuels tax lien. Fuels tax is owed to [ODOT Fuels Tax Group](#). MCTD Fuels Tax Group has placed a lien on the vehicle for unpaid fuels taxes. This lien takes precedence over all other liens and encumbrances. No title transfers may take place until the Fuels Tax Group notifies DMV that the lien has been satisfied.

Flag 53

Indicates a non-conforming VIN has been verified. Placed on record when the verified VIN does not conform to the 17-digit rule. Used only for passenger, motorcycle, truck, bus, and motor home vehicles with a year model 1981 or newer.

Flag 54

This flag was automatically added to all manufactured structure records when records were sent to the [Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division](#).

Flag 55

Exported Vehicle Flag. DMV has confirmed that fraud has occurred and the vehicle was exported out of the country.