

# Oregon Tow/Recovery Vehicle



Use these instructions to title and/or register your tow/recovery vehicle that has a combined weight of 26,000 pounds or less, and apply for a tow business certificate. Combined weight is the empty weight of all vehicles in a combination plus the total weight of the load carried on that combination of vehicles.

Tow/Recovery trip permits are not available online and cannot be requested by mail.

## Title, Registration, and Tow Business Certificate

### Provide the following to DMV:

- A completed [Application for Title and Registration](#);
- The original ownership document;
- The original [odometer disclosure](#), if required;
- Original releases or bills of sale from all previous owners;
- Original lien releases from any previous security interest holders;
- A [vehicle identification number \(VIN\) inspection](#) (can be done during [an appointment](#) at DMV to also title the vehicle) for \$7 if you have an out-of-state or out-of-country ownership document;
- A completed [Application for Tow or Recovery Vehicle Business Certificate](#);
- If the odometer has 7,500 miles or less and you bought it from an out-of-state dealer, you may need a Use Tax Certificate from the [Oregon Department of Revenue](#);
- A valid Certificate of Liability Insurance;
  - Coverage for \$50,000 cargo and \$750,000 liability per accident.
- A Certificate of Compliance for passing an [emissions test at DEQ](#), if required ([newer vehicles](#) are exempt); and
- All applicable fees:
  - [Title fee](#);
  - [Registration/Certificate fee](#); and
  - \$24.50 plate fee.

Options to submit your transaction are on page 2.

## Tow Business Certificate With/Without Registration (No Title)

### Provide the following to DMV:

- A completed [Application for Registration](#);
- A completed [Application for Tow or Recovery Vehicle Business Certificate](#);
- A valid Certificate of Liability Insurance;
  - Coverage for \$50,000 cargo and \$750,000 liability per accident.
- All applicable fees:
  - [Registration/Certificate fee](#); and
  - \$24.50 plate fee (not due if renewing your previously issued certificate or registration).

Options to submit your transaction are on page 2.

*By submitting an application for registration, you are certifying:*

- You currently have, and will maintain, motor vehicle [insurance required](#) by Oregon law for as long as you register the vehicle; and
- Your [home](#) is in Oregon or you are eligible, or required, to register under Oregon law.

Submitting your transaction:

- You can make an [appointment](#) to title your vehicle at some DMV offices. You can get a VIN inspection and apply for registration/tow business certificate during the appointment.
  - Bought an Oregon-titled vehicle 30 days ago, or less? Complete the bottom section of [Form 6775](#) for us to review at your appointment to see if you are exempt from a late fee.

NOTE: You cannot get an appointment to apply for registration/tow business certificate only – you must mail in the application.

- Mail your title transaction and fees to DMV if you do not make an appointment. Keep images or copies of the documents you mail to us.

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