



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DRIVER AND MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICES
1905 LANA AVE NE, SALEM OREGON 97314

Application for Tow or Recovery Vehicle Business Certificate

REMARKS

INSTRUCTIONS: This application is for a Tow Business Certificate and Tow Plates only. Complete Lines 1 through 7 and sign on Line 8. Send the completed form and fees to: DMV, 1905 Lana Ave. NE, Salem, OR 97314. You also must register your vehicle with DMV or Commerce and Compliance Division (CCD).

Please read the additional instructions and regulations below and on the back of this form.

TOW BUSINESS CERTIFICATE: A Tow Business Certificate is required for each tow or recovery vehicle operated on Oregon highways. The fee is \$17 and the certificate is valid for one year from the date of application. A fee for original tow identification plates is also required. The vehicle must be titled in the same name as listed on Line 4 of this form. You are also required to register with either DMV or CCD.

WHERE TO REGISTER A TOW OR RECOVERY VEHICLE:

- You must register with DMV if your tow/recovery vehicle has a combined weight of 26,000 pounds or less and is not proportionally registered (prorate) for operation in other states. "Combined weight" means the loaded weight of your vehicle plus the loaded weight of any vehicle towed or recovered. Contact DMV at (503) 945-5000 if you have any questions.
- You must register with CCD if the combined weight of your tow/recovery vehicle is more than 26,000 pounds. You also may need to register with CCD on a proportional basis if you operate your tow vehicle in Oregon and other states. Contact CCD at (503) 378-6699 for more information on registering with CCD.

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

TRANS CODE	MP	EX	PERMIT #			BATCH CODE
NEW PLATE #	STICKER #		VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)		OREGON TITLE #	\$17 BUSINESS CERTIFICATE FEE
PRESENT PLATE #	EXPIRATION DATE	YEAR	MAKE	REGISTERED WEIGHT	COMBINED WEIGHT	
Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the vehicle will be registered with CCD. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the vehicle will be registered with DMV. An Application for Registration and required fees must be attached.						
REGISTERED OWNER / BUSINESS NAME (AS SHOWN ON TITLE)			ODL / ID / CUSTOMER #	DATE OF BIRTH	PLATE FEE	
REGISTERED OWNER / BUSINESS ADDRESS (NUMBER, STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)					TOTAL FEE	

INSURANCE INFORMATION

NAME OF LIABILITY / CARGO INSURANCE COMPANY (NOT AGENT)	LIABILITY POLICY NUMBER
NAME OF CARGO INSURANCE COMPANY (NOT AGENT)	CARGO POLICY NUMBER

The owner must certify by completing all applicable statements and sign the *Application for Tow or Recovery Vehicle Business Certificate*. Under Oregon law it is a crime to knowingly affirm falsely to any matter relating to the regulation of towing businesses (ORS 822.605). The offense is a Class C felony, punishable by a jail sentence of 5 years, a fine of up to \$100,000, or both.

I certify that: **1)** I comply with insurance requirements for this vehicle and will continue to comply with these requirements until the registration expires or I sell the vehicle; **2)** The vehicle meets all safety standards required by Oregon Administrative Rules; **3)** I am the registered owner or an authorized representative; **4)** All information on this application is accurate; **5)** The vehicle shall be used exclusively as described in ORS 822.210; and **6)** If applying for DMV registration, the vehicle's combined weight is 26,000 pounds or less and is not subject to Oregon's weight-mile tax.

SIGNATURE X	TITLE	TELEPHONE # ()
VALIDATION	COUNTER DATE STAMP / INITIALS	

How to Register Your Tow or Recovery Vehicle With DMV:

Complete this application and submit it to DMV along with:

1. The \$17 Tow Business Certificate fee;
2. A completed application for registration;
3. A certificate issued by an insurance carrier licensed to do business in Oregon showing:
 - a) That you are covered by a policy that provides \$750,000 liability insurance per accident and \$50,000 cargo insurance;
 - b) The policy number; and
4. The registration fee, based on the registration weight of the vehicle. You can find the registration fee on the fee schedule for tow or recovery vehicles, available from DMV.

If you have questions, call DMV customer assistance at (503) 945-5000.

Registration weight for tow/recovery vehicles is the weight of the tow vehicle fully equipped for service, not including any part of the weight of the vehicle being towed, unless the towed vehicle includes a trailer with a loaded weight of more than 8,000 pounds. In this case, the loaded weight of the trailer must be included in the registration weight.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

PERMITS REQUIRED - Tow or recovery units require an over-dimensional permit to operate when towing a vehicle if the combination of the tow unit and the vehicle being towed exceeds 50 feet in length or the combined weight exceeds 80,000 pounds. Over-dimensional permits are issued annually and can be obtained by calling CCD at (503) 373-0000.

INSURANCE - ORS 822.205 and Oregon Administrative Rule 740-040-0020 require that all tow or recovery units maintain a minimum of \$750,000 liability insurance per accident and \$50,000 cargo coverage. (If the applicant tows or recovers only vehicles owned by the applicant, the \$50,000 cargo coverage is not required.) Check with CCD if you have questions about insurance requirements under Chapter 825 if registering with CCD.

SAFETY STANDARDS - ORS 822.205 and Oregon Administrative Rule 257-050-0200 require tow or recovery units to meet specific standards.

PLATES / REGISTRATION - Each tow or recovery vehicle must have tow identification plates and a tow certificate, which are issued by DMV for any tow and/or recovery vehicle operated in Oregon. The certificate must be kept in the vehicle and the plates must be displayed on the vehicle. If the vehicle is registered with DMV, the tow identification plates are also your registration plates, and the certificate is your registration card. If the vehicle is registered with CCD, you will also receive a separate registration card and plates from CCD.

PRIVILEGES GRANTED - ORS 822.210 authorizes the holder, or an employee of the holder, of a current valid towing business certificate to:

1. Tow and recover vehicles; and
2. Tow unregistered vehicles in this state without obtaining registration or trip permits for the towed vehicles.