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Rebuilt Vehicle Titles

FACT SHEET

Rebuilt Vehicle: Any vehicle declared salvaged due to theft, abandonment, structural or severe cosmetic damage, or another form of total loss that has been repaired and/or inspected by a licensed rebuilder.

Required Documents for Rebuilt Titles

- Completed Application (VSD 190) marked for Title Only
- Salvage Contract (SOS DOP 246)
 - Only required if the applicant is NOT a rebuilder.
- Affirmation Supporting Salvage Certificate (RT 11)
 - If any essential parts were replaced by the Illinois rebuilder, legible copies of receipts or invoices are required.
 - If no essential parts were replaced, Box B must be checked.
 - Must be signed and dated by the rebuilder.
- IDOT Vehicle Inspection Report
 - Must be completed electronically (everything typed) or written in BLUE ink only.
 - Cannot be over 6 months old.
 - Must be signed by the inspector(s).
 - Off-road vehicles are exempt from IDOT inspection.
 - Please call 217-785-1181, ext. 3, or go to idot.illinois.gov and search "safety lane locations" to find an inspection station near you.
- Vehicles eight model years or newer (including off-road vehicles) require a second inspection by Secretary of State Police UNLESS the vehicle was salvaged due to flood damage ONLY
 - Flood brand must be on current title and/or verifiable by the Secretary of State.
- The appropriately assigned Salvage Certificate
 - If the vehicle comes from a state that does not issue salvage titles, then a Bill of Sale is required.
 - If the vehicle comes from a state that requires a salvage title, but the applicant did not receive one from the seller, then the applicant must follow the Bonded Title procedures.
- Appropriate sales tax form and fee payable to IDOR (dealers exempt)
 - RUT-50 if purchased from private party or auction.
 - Trailers exempt
 - RUT-25 if purchased from an out-of-state dealer.
- Appropriate title fee payable to the Secretary of State

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Illinois dealers are **PROHIBITED** from selling salvaged vehicles to the public per Illinois law. Illinois dealers that have acquired a salvaged vehicle must first obtain a rebuilt title in their name.
2. Only licensed rebuilders can bring a vehicle out of salvage in the state of Illinois. If the applicant is not a licensed rebuilder, they must contract with a licensed rebuilder to obtain a rebuilt title.
3. Salvaged vehicles do not qualify for license plates and may not legally be driven until a rebuilt title is issued. However, permits may be obtained to take the vehicle to and from the inspection stations **ONLY**.
4. Junked vehicles cannot be rebuilt. Once a vehicle has been declared junked, it can only be used for parts.
5. Applications for rebuilt salvage titles cannot be processed at local Driver Services facilities. The documents must be mailed to the following address:

Secretary of State
ATTN: Rebuilds
501 S. Second St. – Room 698
Springfield, IL 62756

For questions regarding rebuilt salvage titles, please email lits@ilsos.gov or call 217-785-4737.

6. These procedures are only for vehicles that are **CURRENTLY** titled as salvage. If the vehicle is already titled as rebuilt, you may apply for title and plates at your local Driver Services facility. If our office discovers the vehicle was previously titled in Illinois as salvage, you may receive a letter requesting the vehicle to be reinspected if the vehicle was rebuilt out of state.