



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 8.02 Good Faith Possession of a Vehicle

Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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General:

- Provides for the issuance of a certificate of title to a person in good faith possession of a vehicle without a bill of sale or current record of ownership upon which to base the issuance of a new title, provided:
 - The vehicle is twenty-five years old or older.
 - The vehicle has not had its registration renewed in this state or any other state for a period of at least three (3) years immediately prior to the application for the title.
 - The vehicle has been abandoned for at least 3 years.

Requirements:

- Required documentation is as follows:
 - A completed vehicle application form (DPSMV 1799)
 - A photo of vehicle
 - A sworn affidavit from the applicant indicating the date of acquisition and approximate value of vehicle. This affidavit must contain a complete description of vehicle (year, make, model, body style, and vehicle identification number)
 - Sworn affidavit(s) from two people attesting of their own personal knowledge that the vehicle has been abandoned for three or more years
 - An affidavit of physical inspection. The physical inspection must be performed by a full-time Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) certified law enforcement officer who has been certified by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, to inspect motor vehicles.

Related Policies:

Section 4, Policy 2.03 [Completion Of Vehicle Application](#)