



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 82.00 Off-Road Vehicles**

**Section:** 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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[R.S. 47:301\(17\)](#)

[R.S. 47:303E](#)

[R.S. 47:304A](#)

[R.S. 47:305.25](#)

[R.S. 47:502](#)

To view Louisiana Statutes: <http://www.legis.state.la.us/>

**Definition:**

- An **off-road vehicle** is any vehicle manufactured for off-road use which does not meet the safety requirements prescribed by La. [R.S. 32:1301-1310](#) at the time of manufacture. Off-road vehicles will be issued a manufacturer's statement of origin and will subsequently be issued a title by the Office of Motor Vehicles. This vehicle type will be issued an off road decal. The group does not include off-road vehicles used for farm purposes, farm equipment, or heavy construction equipment.

**Requirements:**

- **Requirements for a New / Previously Registered Vehicle** - The following documentation is required to register an off-road vehicle:
  - A completed vehicle application form ([DPSMV 1799](#))
  - Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (new/unregistered vehicle) or title
  - Itemized invoice from dealer to purchaser or original notarized bill of sale or invoice (new/unregistered) or current certificate of title assigned before a notary by seller to purchaser, with the properly released lien, if applicable.
  - Security agreement, if applicable
  - Applicable fees (title, handling, mortgage recordation fee)
  - Applicable sales/use tax, or proof of taxes collected by the dealer. All off road vehicle dealers are required to collect applicable sales/use tax at the time of sale.
- **Requirements for a Used / Unregistered Golf Cart** - The following documentation is required to register an off-road vehicle that has previously been registered in Louisiana.
  - A completed vehicle application form ([DPSMV 1799](#))
  - In lieu of a title, an affidavit of physical inspection shall be acceptable for titling/registration of used golf carts. The physical inspection must be performed by a full-time Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certified law enforcement officer who has been certified by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, to inspect motor vehicles.

- Itemized invoice from dealer to purchaser or original notarized bill of sale or invoice from the owner
- Security agreement, if applicable
- Applicable fees (title, handling, mortgage recordation)
- Applicable sales/use tax, or proof of taxes collected by the dealer. All golf cart dealers are required to collect applicable sales/use tax at the time of sale.
- **NOTE:** The titling/registration requirements for new golf carts which were in a dealer's inventory prior to January 1, 2014, will be the same as for a used/unregistered golf cart.
- **Issuance of ORV Decal**
  - 1987 and later model year vehicle shall be issued an ORV decal and an appropriate validation sticker upon registration.
  - 1986 and earlier model year vehicle may voluntarily purchase an ORV decal upon registration.

**Fees:**

- \$3.00 per year - 4-year expiration

**Notes:**

- An odometer disclosure statement is not required.
- R.S. 47:305.25 authorizes the purchase of off-road vehicles (3-wheelers, 4-wheelers, etc.) used exclusively on commercial farms in the production and harvesting of food and fiber for sale to be exempt from state sales/use tax. Any parish/municipality sales/use tax shall be due.
  - If the applicant is claiming the commercial farm tax exemption, he must complete the exemption certificate ([LDR1065](#)). Submit the completed form along with the required documentation to register the off road vehicle.
  - A separate exemption certificate is required for each vehicle.

**Related Policies:**

Section 4, Policy 2.00 [Basic Requirements For Obtaining A Certificate Of Title](#)

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

Section 4, Policy 2.01 [Title Corrections](#)

Section 5, Policy 55.00 [Off Road Vehicle Decals](#)