



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. 47:305.3](#)

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

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

Definition:

- **Off-road vehicle** - Any vehicle manufactured for off-road use which does not meet the safety requirements prescribed by [R.S. 32:1301-1310](#) at the time of manufacture.

General:

- Off-road vehicles are issued a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin at the time of manufacture and will subsequently be issued a title by the Office of Motor Vehicles.
- Off-road vehicles are issued an off-road decal.
- **Exemptions** – The below off-road vehicle types do not require an off-road decal to be issued:
 - Off-road vehicles used for farm purposes
 - Farm equipment
 - Heavy construction equipment

Requirements:

- **New, Previously Unregistered Vehicle**
 - Vehicle Application Form ([DPSMV1799](#))
 - Manufacturer's Statement of Origin
 - Itemized invoice from dealer to purchaser
 - Security agreement, if applicable
 - Applicable fees (title, handling, mortgage recordation fee)
 - Applicable sales/use tax
- **Transfer of a Louisiana or Out-of-State Title**
 - Vehicle Application Form ([DPSMV1799](#))
 - Current Certificate of Title
 - 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

Notary Requirements

- MSO and Certificate of Title must be notarized if the vehicle sale takes place in Louisiana or another state that requires notarization at the time of vehicle transfer.
 - Exception: Notarization will not be required on the MSO, certificate of title, or bill of sale if the sale occurred in Louisiana on or after 01/01/23 and the vehicle is being:
 - Transferred to a new or used motor vehicle dealer licensed in Louisiana
 - Transferred from a Louisiana licensed new or used motor vehicle dealer to a purchaser

Fees:

- \$3.00 per year (4-year expiration)

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 4, Policy 122.02, [Golf Carts](#)

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