Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 85.00 Assembled Vehicles

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R.S. 32:707.5
To view Louisiana Statutes: http://www.legis.state.la.us/

Definition:
- **Assembled Motor Vehicle –** A vehicle which has been assembled by a person other than the manufacturer with major component parts from dismantled motor vehicles and may include new parts.

General:
- The Louisiana State Police (LSP), Towing and Recovery Unit, will assign a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to all assembled vehicles in this state.
  - The year of the assembled vehicle is the year indicated on the physical inspection.
  - The make of the assembled vehicle shall be “assembled”
- Initial application for an assembled vehicle shall be forwarded to the Specialized Vehicle Unit at the following address:
  - Office of Motor Vehicles
    Specialized Vehicle Unit
    P.O. Box 64886
    Baton Rouge, LA 70896
- Subsequent transactions may be processed at any OMV Customer Service Center, Public Tag Agent, or OMV Headquarters office.
- The words, **"Assembled Vehicle"** will be printed on the title and will remain on all subsequent records.
- **Major component parts are:**
  - Engine (with or without accessories)
  - Transmission
  - Nose (portion of the body from the front to the firewall when acquired or transferred as a complete unit)
  - Frame (portion of a vehicle upon which other components are affixed, such as the engine, body, or transmission)
  - Body (portion of a vehicle that determines its shape and appearance and is attached to the frame)
  - Door
  - Rear Clip (two or more of the following, all dismantled from the same vehicle):
    - Quarter panel or fender
    - Floor panel assembly
    - Trunk lid or gate
  - Cowl (portion of the vehicle housing the firewall, windshield, and instrument panel)

Requirements:

- **The following items must be submitted prior to processing:**
    - Receipts for all parts
        - Parts obtained from dismantled vehicles:
            - If the part is purchased from a licensed dismantler, only the receipt for that part is required provided the receipt states: "This vehicle from which the part was removed was reported to the Office of Motor Vehicles in accordance with R.S. 32:718."
            - If the part is purchased from an individual, a receipt and a copy of the front and back of the permit to dismantle is required. In the case of the frame, the original permit to dismantle is required.
        - New parts obtained will require the submission of a purchase:
            - Receipt for that part as well as a certificate of origin, or similar document, complete with assignment to the assembler. If the part was not sold with a certificate of origin, a statement to that effect is required.
    - A sworn statement attesting that the assembled motor vehicle meets all National Highway Traffic Safety Administration standards for safety in effect on the date the assembly of the vehicle was complete.
    - *Disclosure of Glider Kit/Assembled Vehicle/Kit Car* (DPSMV1804) indicating that the assembler is aware that the vehicle will be branded as an assembled motor vehicle.
    - A photograph of the assembled vehicle.
    - Proof of current insurance, if a plate is requested.
        - The insurance card must clearly indicate that the vehicle is an assembled vehicle.
- If all of the above requirements are met and the documents are acceptable, the Office of Motor Vehicles will issue a referral, by letter, to contact LSP Towing and Recovery to make an appointment for VIN assignment.
    - The assembler cannot make an appointment unless they have received the referral from OMV.
- *Assembled Vehicle Affidavit* attesting that the vehicle is road-worthy
- If the vehicle is domiciled in a non-attainment area and requires emissions testing, an Assembled Emissions Inspection Form completed by the Motor Vehicle Emissions Inspection Challenge Station will also be required. The form must indicate that the vehicle meets all emissions requirements.
    - The parishes currently designated as non-attainment areas are East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Ascension, Iberville, and Livingston.

Once all requirements listed above are met, the documentation must be re-submitted to the Office of Motor Vehicles, Specialized Vehicle Unit for the issuance of a title.