



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

Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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

Definition:

- An **assembled motor vehicle** is 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.

Requirements:

- The LA State Police (LSP), Towing and Recovery Unit, will assign a Louisiana state number to all vehicles assembled in the state. The year of the vehicle is the year indicated on the final inspection.
- The initial transaction on these vehicles must be routed to the Specialized Vehicle Unit, Headquarters.
- The words, "Assembled Vehicle" will be printed on the title and will remain on all subsequent records.
- Subsequent transactions may be processed in the field or HQ offices.
- **Major component parts are:**
 - Engine with or without accessories
 - Transmission
 - Nose: that portion of the body from the front to the firewall when acquired or transferred as a complete unit.
 - Frame: that portion of a vehicle upon which other components are affixed, such as the engine, body, or transmission.
 - Body: that 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: that portion of the vehicle housing the firewall, windshield, and instrument panel.

- **The following items must be submitted prior to processing:**
 - Receipts for all parts
 1. Parts obtain from dismantled vehicles
 - (a) 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."
 - (b) If the part is purchased from an individual, a receipt as well as 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.
 2. 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.
 - A disclosure statement 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 to contact LSP to make an appointment for inspection. Note: the assembler cannot make an appointment unless he has received a referral from OMV. LSP will issue a state assigned VIN and direct the customer to obtain a motor vehicle inspection sticker. The motor vehicle inspection sticker/rejection must include the state assigned VIN issued by LSP.
 - A motor vehicle inspection sticker or a statement from a licensed Louisiana motor vehicle inspection station indicating that the vehicle meets all safety requirements must be obtained at this time.
 - 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 for the issuance of a title.

Related Policies:

Section 4, Policy 112.00 [Motor Vehicle Inspection](#)