



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 93.00 Tow-Dollies**

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

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**Definitions:**

- A **tow-dolly** is, essentially, a two-wheel, single axle device that supports the front wheels of an automobile so that it can be towed and maneuvered in the same manner as a trailer. It is NOT a trailer that can be used to haul cargo, since there is no space provided on it for that purpose. According to a legal opinion dated October 4, 1988, it should be classified as an automobile accessory, in the same manner as a tow-bar.
- R. S. 32:1 defines a **trailer** as a "vehicle without motive power designed for carrying property or passenger wholly on its own structure, drawn by a motor vehicle, and having two (2) or more load carrying axles".
- **Note:** Because a tow-dolly does not fall within the definition of a trailer, it is not to be titled or registered as one.