



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 122.00 Mini-Trucks**

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

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**Definitions:**

- **Mini Truck** - Any four-wheeled, reduced dimension truck that may not have a National Highway Safety Administration classification, with a top speed of sixty-five miles per hour, equipped with a truck bed or compartment for hauling, and having an enclosed passenger cab. These vehicles may be operated upon a highway of this state where the posted speed limit is fifty-five miles per hour or less except an interstate or controlled access highway or a multi-lane divided highway which has partial or no control of access.

**Requirements:**

- Any mini-truck operated upon a highway of this state shall be equipped with the following:
  - head lamps
  - front and rear turn signal lamps
  - tail lamps
  - stop lamps
  - an exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the vehicle
  - either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the vehicle or an interior mirror
  - parking brake
  - windshield wiper
  - speedometer
  - odometer
  - braking for each wheel
  - a seat belt assembly installed at each designated seating position
  - vehicle identification number
- **Supporting documents must be presented to verify ownership and shall consist of:**
  - A completed vehicle application form (DPSMV 1799).
  - A manufacturer's certificate of origin. If the certificate of origin is in a foreign language it will be required for the person making application submit a notarized translation of the certificate of origin in conjunction with the original document in the foreign language.
    - In the event the vehicle is sold with no manufacturer's certificate of origin, refer to Section IV, Policy 3.0 "Justice of the Peace court orders"

- Itemized invoice showing complete description (make, year, model, body style, and vehicle identification number) of the vehicle sold, vehicle traded-in (if any), and the dealer's current permit number (if applicable).
- Properly completed and signed odometer disclosure statement.
- Original or copy of properly completed UCC-1 form (financing statement), or other security agreement, if a lien is to be recorded.
- Proof of liability insurance
- A statement from the purchaser indicating that the mini-truck contains all equipment required for use as indicated above and a statement that the owner is aware that the vehicle is only permitted to be used by a licensed driver upon highways where the posted speed limit is fifty-five miles per hour or less except interstate, controlled access highways, or multi-lane divided highways which have partial or no control of access.
- Mini-Trucks will be issued an off-road decal.