



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 41.00 Imported and Grey Market Vehicles

Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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Background: Proper documentation must be submitted, verifying the importation of a vehicle through U.S. Customs into the United States. Vehicles manufactured overseas for use in other countries do not meet State and Federal Emission Control and Safety Standards of this country. These vehicles, commonly known as grey market vehicles, must be converted to comply with U.S. standards.

Requirements: The following items must be submitted for all imported or grey market vehicles which have not been registered in this country.

- **Vehicles Imported from Canada** - Vehicles currently registered in the applicant's name in a Canadian province and have been brought into this country for personal use must present the following:
 - A completed Vehicle Application Form ([DPSMV 1799](#))
 - Canadian registration
 - Proof of current insurance
 - Copy of security agreement, if applicable
 - Original Highway Safety Form 7, issued by the Department of Transportation and stamped "Released by Customs." See attached Imported Vehicles HS-7 Declaration Form for requirements specified by the types of entry (Boxes 1-12)
 - All applicable fees and taxes
- **Vehicles Purchased in Canada or Vehicles Brought to the U.S. for Resale**
 - A completed Vehicle Application Form ([DPSMV 1799](#))
 - Canadian Registration
 - Proof of current insurance
 - Copy of security agreement, if applicable
 - **One** of the following:
 - U. S. DOTD Bond Acceptance Letter
 - Broker Invoice
 - Original Highway Safety Form 7, issued by the Department of Transportation and stamped "Released by Customs." See attached Imported Vehicles HS-7 Declaration Form for requirements specified by the types of entry (Box 1 - 12)
 - All applicable fees and taxes.

- **Vehicle Imported from Other Countries:**

- A completed Vehicle Application Form ([DPSMV 1799](#))
- Original out-of-country title/registration or manufacturer's statement of origin
- Original bill of sale
- Proof of current insurance
- Copy of the security agreement, if applicable
- One of the following U.S. Customs forms indicating satisfactory proof of Customs entry:
 - CF 368 - Collection Receipt or Informal Entry
 - CF 3299 - Declaration for Free Entry of Unaccompanied Articles
 - CF 3311 - Declaration for Free Entry of Returned American Products
 - CF 3461 - Entry/Immediate Delivery
 - CF 3461 ALT - Entry/Immediate Delivery
 - CF 6059B - Customs Declaration (badge number instead of signature)
 - CF 7501 - Entry Summary (does not require a Customs inspector's signature)
 - CF 7523 - Entry and Manifest of Merchandise Free of Duty
- Original Environmental Protection Agency Form # 3520 stamped "Released by Customs" or electronically released in the above listed forms.
- Original Highway Safety Form 7 issued by the Department of Transportation and stamped "Released by Customs." See attached Imported Vehicles HS-7 declaration form for requirements specified by the types of entry (Box 1 - 12)
- An affidavit of physical inspection. The physical inspection must be performed by a full-time Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) certified law enforcement officer who has been certified by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, to inspect motor vehicles.
- All applicable fees and taxes