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

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## General:

• The guidelines are provided to determine if an out-of-state title should be presented when making application for a title transaction in Louisiana. Some states do not title and/or register boat and utility trailers.

## **Requirements:**

- Any trailer that was previously located in a jurisdiction that issued titles and/or registrations will not be titled in Louisiana until the title and/or registration document has been surrendered (in addition to all other documents required to obtain title).
- Any trailer that was not previously titled or licensed in another state will require:
  - A physical inspection 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
  - o Proof of ownership, such as a bill of sale

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Alabama	Title and registration optional. If no title presented, require statement
	from Alabama that no title was issued.
Alaska	Title and registration required.
Arizona	Registration required. No title issued.
Arkansas	Registration required. Title optional on 3000 lbs or less. If no title
	issued, title number field on registration will be blank.
California	Title and registration required.
Colorado	Title and registration required.
Connecticut	Registration required. Title not issued on 3000 lbs or less and the
	registration will show "N" in the title number field.
Delaware	Title and registration required.
District of Columbia	Title and registration required.
Florida	Registration required. Over 2000 lbs, title is required. On the
	registration on small trailers under 2000 lbs the title field will be blank.
Georgia	Registration required. No title issued.
Hawaii	Registration required. No title issued.
Idaho	Registration required. Over 200 lbs a title will be issued.

Illinois	Title and registration required.
Indiana	Registration Required. Over 3100 lbs required to be titled. No title
	number field on the registration.
lowa	Registration required. Over 2000 lbs required to be titled. The title
	number field on the registration will show "NITN" (no lowa title number)
	if not titled.
Kansas	Under 2000 lbs registration is optional with owner. If registered, also
	must be titled.
Kentucky	No title or registration issued.
Maine	Registration required. Over 3000 lbs titled. On the registration on
	trailers under 3000 lbs, the title number field will be blank.
Maryland	Title and registration required.
Massachusetts	Registration required. Over 3000 lbs, titled. On the registration on trailer
	under 3000 lbs the title field will be blank.
Michigan	Registration required. Over 2500 lbs titled.
Minnesota	Registration required. Title optional with owner. Title required if over
	4500 lbs or if there is a lien. If no title issued, the title number field on
	the registration will indicate "none."
	Registration required. Title optional with the owner. The title number
Mississippi	field on the registration will have a number whether title issue or not. If
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	issued.
Missouri	Title and registration required.
Montana	Title and registration required.
Nebraska	Registration required. Over 9000 lbs titled.
Nevada	Title and registration required.
New Hampshire	Registration required. Over 3000 lbs titled. The title number field on the
	registration will show "EX" on trailers exempt from titling.
New Jersey	Registration required. Over 2000 lbs titled.
New Mexico	Title and registration required.
New York	Registration required. Boat trailer under 1000 lbs are not titled but are
	issued a "transferable" registration certificate. Boat trailers over 1000
	Ibs are required to be titled, and are issued a title and "non-
	transferable" registration certificate.
North Carolina	Title and registration required.
North Dakota	No title or registration required. However, a private trailer plate and
	registration card can be issued upon request for boat trailers traveling
	out-of-state.
Ohio	Registration required. All boat trailers require title except "non-
	commercial" under 4000 lbs. The title number field on the registration
	under 4000 lbs will be blank.
Oklahoma	No title or registration required. However, a commercial trailer license
	can be issued to trailers that are used for commercial purpose only.
Oregon	Title and registration required over 1800 lbs. Under 1800 lbs title and
	registration optional. If they do register they must also title.
Pennsylvania	Title and registration required.
Rhode Island	Registration required. All 1973 and later year models and over 3000 lbs
	are required to be titled. There is no title number field on the

	registration certificate.
South Carolina	Registration and title required over 2500 lbs. Under 2500 lbs title and registration optional.
South Dakota	Title and registration required.
Tennessee	No title or registration required, however, owner can title. If titled, must also be registered.
Texas	Registration required. Over 4000 lbs title required. No title issued on trailers under 4000 lbs.
Utah	Title and registration required on all trailers over 750 lbs unladen weight. Under 750 lbs unladen weight, title and registration optional. A registration only is issued to out-of-state residents who are traveling in the state for more than 90 days in one accumulative 12 month period.
Vermont	Registration required. Over 1500 lbs unladen weight must be titled.  There is no title number field on the registration certificate but the weight shown would indicate whether a title would have been issued.
Virginia	Title and registration required.
Washington	Title and registration required.
West Virginia	Title and registration required.
Wisconsin	Title and registration required over 3000 lbs. Under 3000 lbs title is optional, however, if owner chooses to title, must also register. Registration only is not issued.
Wyoming	Registration required. Over 1000 lbs must be titled. Under 1000 lbs title is optional. The title number field on the registration would be blank if no title issued.