

How to fill out REG 139 — Vehicle Emission System Statement (Smog)

California · written against REG 139 (Rev 5/2007), issued under California Vehicle Code 5751.5

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Lets you sell without buying a second smog check, when a valid certificate already went to the DMV at renewal within the last 90 days. You certify you have not touched the emission system; the buyer signs to acknowledge they are taking the car on that basis.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank REG 139 from the California Department of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/file/vehicle-emission-system-statement-smog-reg-139-pdf/> — always take the current revision from the agency rather than a copy. Print this and keep it beside you while you complete theirs.

Every line, in the order you meet it

1	YOU	Make, VIN and licence plate number	Three items identifying the car, and the only vehicle detail on the form. Watch out: This form only works where a valid smog certificate went to the DMV with a registration renewal in the last 90 days - not one bought for the sale.
2	YOU	Seller's certification	Print your name, sign, and date under the statement about the emission system. Watch out: You are certifying you have not modified, and know of nobody who has modified, the emission system in a way that would fail the test required by Health and Safety Code 44015. After an exhaust or engine-management change, do not sign this.
3	YOU	Seller again, under the warning to the buyer	The same name, signature and date a second time, below the warning block. Watch out: Both signatures are needed. The second one sits under the paragraph that tells the buyer what they are giving up, which is why it is separate.
4	BUYER	Buyer's acknowledgement	The buyer prints their name, signs and dates to acknowledge no additional smog certificate is coming. Watch out: Read what the buyer keeps before you hand this over: they may have the car tested first, and if it fails you owe them the cost of the test and the repairs to bring it up to standard before the sale completes.

What gets this one rejected

- Using it where the certificate was obtained specifically for the transfer. This form is only for a certificate submitted with a registration renewal that has not been used up.
- Using it outside the 90-day validity window. Past 90 days the exemption is gone and a fresh smog check is on you.
- Signing it after changing the exhaust, the catalytic converter or the engine management. That is exactly what the perjury declaration is aimed at.
- Handing it over without the buyer's signature. The buyer's acknowledgement is the half that protects you.

☐ Amber is what you write ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes The completed example follows overleaf.

Read off REG 139 (Rev 5/2007) and the California Department of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs. sellmycarhub.com



VEHICLE EMISSION SYSTEM STATEMENT (SMOG)

(California Vehicle Code Section 5751.5)

The seller is required to furnish the purchaser this statement if a transfer application is submitted to the department within 90 days of the submission of a valid smog certification that was not obtained specifically for the transfer.

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MAKE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	LICENSE PLATE NUMBER
Subaru	4S4BRBCC1D3241785	7BXK492

I have not modified, nor do I have knowledge of anyone else modifying the emission system of this vehicle in any way that would make the emission system fail to pass the tests for smog certification required by Section 44015 of the California Health and Safety Code. *I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.*

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PRINTED NAME AND SIGNATURE OF SELLER (TRANSFEROR)	DATE
Priya N. Raman Priya Raman	08/19/2026

WARNING TO THE BUYER

A valid certificate of compliance was submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles with an application for the renewal of registration of this vehicle. If an application for transfer is submitted to the department within the 90-day validity period of the smog certification, no new smog certification will be required. However, at present, you may be purchasing a vehicle that may not be in compliance with specified emission standards.

By signing this statement, you acknowledge that the seller is not required to provide you with an additional smog certificate prior to the completion of this transaction.

You may have this vehicle tested at a licensed smog check station prior to completion of this transaction to verify compliance. If the vehicle passes the test, you shall be responsible for the costs of the test. If the vehicle fails the test, the seller is obligated to reimburse you the cost of having the vehicle tested and, without expense to you, must have the vehicle repaired to comply with specified emission standards prior to completion of this transaction.

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PRINTED NAME AND SIGNATURE OF SELLER (TRANSFEROR)	DATE
Priya N. Raman Priya Raman	08/19/2026

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PRINTED NAME AND SIGNATURE OF BUYER (TRANSFeree)	DATE
Marcus D. Okafor Marcus Okafor	08/19/2026

This form is for your records. Do not submit it to the Department of Motor Vehicles

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