



Secretary of State Beneficiary Claim Form

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Vehicle Services Department
Titles Division
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**This form must be used by the beneficiaries
upon the death of a vehicle owner.**

1 The individual named as Transfer on Death Beneficiary (TOD), Roland K. Petrakis,
certifies that the applicant is the TOD Beneficiary of Dorothea M. Petrakis,
Name of Deceased

2 who departed this life on March 4, 2026, and that the deceased person was the lawful owner of the following vehicle:
Date

Year: 2014 Make: Honda Model: CR-V Body Type: Utility

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):

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4 Current Title Number: IL 4471 90228 ☐ Check box if you are unable to surrender the current title.

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the odometer reading is: (check only one)

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☐ No tenths
Odometer reading

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- ☒ Actual Mileage
 - ☐ The mileage state is in excess of its mechanical limits.
 - ☐ The odometer reading is not the actual mileage.
 - ☐ "WARNING – ODOMETER DISCREPANCY."

I certify that the person shown on the face of the Illinois certificate of title for the above vehicle is the last registered owner of the vehicle listed above, and that I am listed on the title as successor upon the death of the previous owner.

By my signature, I swear or affirm that this is a true and correct statement. I am aware that the law provides severe penalties for making false statements under oath.

6 Roland Petrakis
Applicant Signature

Roland K. Petrakis
Applicant Printed Name

03/20/2026
Date

INSTRUCTIONS

- Attach documentation indicating the vehicle was last titled in Illinois, the vehicle owner and TOD Beneficiary. Verification can be the title or an Illinois Secretary of State title screen print.
- Attach a copy of certified death certificate for the owner shown on the Illinois title.
- Complete and attach an Application for Vehicle Transaction(s) (VSD 190) along with the applicable title fee and any additional registration fee(s) if license plates are requested. The beneficiary does not have rights to the deceased owner's vehicle registration.
- Attach appropriate tax form and check payable to Illinois Department of Revenue.
- If name of the beneficiary on the decedent's title is not identical to the name stated on the beneficiary's paperwork, an Affidavit of Correction (VSD 393), item number 6, must be completed.
- Submit the completed affidavit and the above documentation to an Illinois Secretary of State facility when applying for an application for title.

How to fill out VSD 774 — Beneficiary Claim Form

Illinois · written against VSD 774 (VSD 774.5, March 2026), issued under 625 ILCS 5/3-104

[sellmycarhub.com](https://www.sellmycarhub.com/forms/illinois/vsd-774-beneficiary-claim-form/)
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The other end of the beneficiary route. Where a title already names a transfer-on-death beneficiary, this is what that person files after the owner dies. One page, one signature, and a short list of things to staple to it.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank VSD 774 from the Illinois Secretary of State at https://www.ilsos.gov/content/dam/publications/pdf_publications/vsd774.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	BUYER	Your name, then the deceased owner's	Both inside the opening certification: the individual named as Transfer on Death Beneficiary certifies that the applicant is the TOD Beneficiary of the named deceased. Watch out: Your name has to match the title's beneficiary block exactly. If it does not, the fix is a VSD 393 at item 6 and it is easier to bring both than to be sent away.
2	BUYER	who departed this life on	The date of death, in the sentence. Watch out: As the certified death certificate has it. The two documents are read together.
3	BUYER	The vehicle	Year, make, model and body type across a row, then the VIN in its comb. Watch out: One character per box in the VIN row. It is the only combed field on the sheet.
4	BUYER	Current Title Number, and the box beside it	The number from the certificate - or the tick box for being unable to surrender it. Watch out: If you tick the box, attach something showing the vehicle was last titled in Illinois. A Secretary of State title screen print is named as acceptable.
5	BUYER	The odometer statement	The reading with no tenths, and one of three boxes: actual mileage, in excess of mechanical limits, or not the actual mileage. Watch out: Check only one, and check one - unlike the title, an empty set of boxes here is an unanswered question rather than an answer.
6	BUYER	Sign, print and date	One signature. The line above swears the statement is true and correct and acknowledges severe penalties for false statements under oath. Watch out: Then assemble the rest: proof of the Illinois titling and the beneficiary designation, a certified death certificate, a VSD 190 with the title fee, and the tax form with a cheque to the Department of Revenue.

What gets this one rejected

- Filing it without the death certificate. The instructions ask for a copy of a certified death certificate for the owner shown on the Illinois title.
- Filing it alone. It goes in with a completed VSD 190, the applicable title fee, any registration fee if plates are wanted, and a tax form with a cheque payable to the Illinois Department of Revenue.
- Expecting the plates too. The instructions say plainly that the beneficiary does not have rights to the deceased owner's vehicle registration.
- A name that does not match. If the beneficiary's name on the title is not identical to the name on their own paperwork, the instructions send them to VSD 393, item number 6.
- Ticking two odometer boxes, or none. The line says check only one.

☒ Amber is what you write ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes The filled-in example is at the start of this sheet.