



AFFIDAVIT OF OWNERSHIP FOR A VEHICLE

State Form 23037 (R8 / 12-24)

INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

The legal authority for this form is 140 IAC 6-1-2.

BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES
100 North Senate Avenue, N411
Indianapolis, IN 462040

* This agency is requesting disclosure of your Social Security Number in accordance with IC 4-1-8; disclosure is mandatory, and this record cannot be processed without it.

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. An applicant who is unable to obtain a properly executed title for a vehicle may present the form below to obtain a certificate of title.
 2. Please complete form in blue or black ink or print form and complete.
 3. The retail value of the vehicle must meet the requirements as determined by the Bureau.
 4. The purchaser must have a notarized Bill of Sale, or a Bill of Sale signed under penalty of perjury which indicates the vehicle's year, make, VIN, seller, purchaser, and purchase price. Sales tax will be assessed by the amount indicated on the Bill of Sale.
 5. An unopened, unclaimed certified letter to the seller's (and lien holder, if applicable) last known address requesting the title must be presented with this affidavit. A copy of the unopened letter should be included to confirm the request for the title to the vehicle in question. Do not open the original letter.
 6. Include a lien release, if necessary.
 7. A VIN inspection completed by law enforcement is required.
 8. Include an Odometer Disclosure Statement, if applicable.

PURCHASER INFORMATION

Purchaser's Name (last, first, middle initial or company name)		*Social Security Number or Federal Identification Number	
Pelletier, Anwar J.		***-**-2058	
Purchaser's Legal Address (number and street)	City	State	ZIP Code
715 Vandalia Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47803

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification Number																
2	G	C	E	K	1	9	T	4	4	1	2	0	5	6	7	3
Vehicle Year	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Type	Vehicle Color	License Plate Number											
2004	Chevrolet	Silverado	Truck	White	641XKQ											

SELLER INFORMATION

Seller's Name (last, first, middle initial or company name)			
Hollingsworth, Dean R.			
Seller's Legal Address (number and street)	City	State	ZIP Code
755 E Barner St	Frankfort	IN	46041
Date of Sale (mm/dd/yyyy)	Purchase Price		
05/02/2026	\$ 2,400.00		

This affidavit is submitted to request the State of Indiana, Bureau of Motor Vehicles to issue an Indiana Certificate of Title.

I warrant and agree to defend this claim and to indemnify and hold harmless the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles from any liability arising from this transaction.

I swear or affirm that the information that I have entered on this form is correct. I understand that making a false statement may constitute the crime of perjury.

Signature of Purchaser	Printed Name	Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Anwar J. Pelletier	Anwar J. Pelletier	07/15/2026

How to fill out State Form 23037 — Affidavit of Ownership for a Vehicle

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For the buyer who paid for a car and never got the certificate. Indiana lets a purchaser who is unable to obtain a properly executed title apply for one on this affidavit instead of going to court - but only for a modest vehicle, and only after an evidence trail that includes a certified letter the seller never opened. Eight instructions sit above the boxes and they are the form, far more than the boxes are.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank State Form 23037 from the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles at <https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx?id=4836&f=/in-sf23037.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	Check the value before anything else	The retail value of the vehicle must meet the requirements as determined by the Bureau. Watch out: The BMV points at NADA clean or average retail and asks you to check before applying. A truck that is worth more than the ceiling ends this route on instruction 3, before a single box is filled in.
2	BUYER	Send the certified letter	A letter to the seller's last known address requesting the title, sent certified, and left unopened when it comes back. Watch out: This is the evidence that the seller cannot be made to produce the certificate. Do not open the original letter - a copy of the unopened envelope is what goes in the packet.
3	BUYER	Get a VIN inspection	An inspection completed by law enforcement, confirming the identification number on the vehicle. Watch out: Instruction 7 asks for law enforcement specifically. A branch inspection is not the same thing on this particular route.
4	BUYER	Purchaser information	Name in the BMV's order, the starred identification number, and your legal address. Watch out: The star is doing work here. Disclosure is mandatory, and this record cannot be processed without it.
5	BUYER	Vehicle information	Identification number, year, make, model, type, color and the plate number if there is one. Watch out: Take the identification number from the vehicle rather than from the advertisement, because the police inspection is going to be compared against it.
6	BUYER	Seller information	The seller's name and legal address, plus the date of sale and the purchase price. Watch out: Use the address you sent the certified letter to. The two have to be the same address for the letter to prove anything.
7	BUYER	Sign the indemnity	One signature row, under a warranty to defend this claim and to indemnify and hold harmless the BMV. Watch out: That is a stronger undertaking than the ordinary affirmation on the rest of the set. You are asking the state to issue a title on your word, and this is what it costs.
8	BUYER	Post the packet to Central Office	The application, the bill of sale, the unopened letter, the inspection, any lien release and an odometer statement if applicable. Watch out: This one does not go to a branch counter. The address is printed at the top right of the form, and the BMV publishes a packet listing every enclosure.

What gets this one rejected

- A vehicle worth more than the ceiling. Instruction 3 puts it as the retail value of the vehicle must meet the requirements as determined by the Bureau, and the BMV's Special Titling Circumstances page sets that ceiling against the National Automobile Dealers Association clean or average retail value.
- No certified letter. Instruction 5 wants an unopened, unclaimed certified letter to the seller's last known address requesting the title, and adds do not open the original letter.
- Opening the letter to prove what is in it. A copy of the unopened letter is what goes in, precisely so the original stays sealed.
- No inspection. Instruction 7 requires a VIN inspection completed by law enforcement.
- No bill of sale, or one that is missing a field. Instruction 4 wants a notarized bill of sale, or one signed under penalty of perjury, showing the vehicle's year, make, identification number, seller, purchaser and purchase price.
- Leaving the Social Security or Federal Identification Number blank. The starred footnote says disclosure is mandatory and this record cannot be processed without it.

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