

Form 411403 (01-23)



REQUEST TO RESTORE TITLE FROM IOWA JUNKING CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY MISTAKE OR INADVERTENCE

This request is subject to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 321.52(3)(d). An Iowa title may be restored from an Iowa junking certificate only due to the junking certificate being obtained by mistake or inadvertence.

1	Owner name (last, first) <i>Vandenberg, Marlys</i>	Owner address, city, state, zip <i>1418 Prairie Rose Ct, Pella, IA 50219</i>	
	Owner phone (optional) <i>(641) 555-0132</i>	Owner e-mail (optional) <i>m.vandenberg@example.com</i>	
2	Vehicle identification number (VIN) <i>4T9BR2DKX4L661702</i>	Junking certificate number <i>J 0114427</i>	Prior title number (if available) <i>0061554302</i>
	Model year <i>2004</i>	Make <i>Pontiac</i>	Model <i>Grand Am</i>

Attach three legible photos of the vehicle

- 3
- ☒ Front view
 - ☒ Side view
 - ☒ Vehicle identification number on affixed plate

Describe in detail the mistake or inadvertence that led to the junking certificate (add pages if needed)

4

Two vehicles of the same make were parked on the property. The registration receipt handed over at the counter belonged to the car being kept, and the junking certificate was issued against its identification number rather than against the car that was scrapped.

The vehicle is in good running order and is safe to be operated on public roads

☒ Yes ☐ No (If no, provide a description of the vehicle's condition below)

Additional questions

I received a refund for the unused registration fee for the vehicle

Yes

No

☐☐

I received a registration fee credit from this vehicle toward another vehicle

☐☐

I intended to junk a different vehicle instead of this one (attach copy of that junking certificate)

☒☐

Signature of owner / applicant <i>Marlys J. Vandenberg</i>	Date submitted <i>08/26/2026</i>
---	-------------------------------------

Submit completed application and all attachments via US Mail or e-mail:

Iowa DOT Vehicle Central Programs
PO Box 9278
Des Moines, IA 50306-9278
Central.vehicle@iowadot.us

How to fill out 411403 — Request to Restore Title from Iowa Junking Certificate Issued by Mistake or Inadvertence

Iowa · written against 411403 (01-23), issued under Iowa Code s. 321.52(3)(d), restoration of a title from a junking certificate

sellmycarhub.com
[/forms/iowa/411403-request-to-restore-title-from-junking-certificate/](https://forms.iowa/411403-request-to-restore-title-from-junking-certificate/)

The undo button, and it only works on a mistake. Iowa will restore a title from a junking certificate for one reason - that the certificate was obtained by mistake or inadvertence - and this is where you explain what the mistake was, in writing, with three photographs attached. It goes to the department in Des Moines rather than to a county, and the questions at the bottom are there to catch somebody trying to keep both the refund and the car.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank 411403 from the Iowa Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division at <https://iowadot.forms.govos.com/f/CO21081000272352593?f=411403.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	Owner name and address	Name last-first, then the address, city, state and zip. Watch out: It has to be the person who obtained the first junking certificate. Nobody else can ask for the title back.
2	YOU	Phone and email	Both marked optional on the form. Watch out: Give them anyway. This one is decided by a person in Des Moines reading your description, and they may want to ask something.
3	YOU	VIN, junking certificate number, prior title number	Three identifiers on one row. The prior title number is marked if available. Watch out: The junking certificate number is the one the department's record is held under. Keep the certificate somewhere you can find it for the fortnight after you file for one.
4	YOU	Attach three photographs	Front view, side view, and the VIN on the plate affixed to the vehicle. Three tick boxes confirm they are attached. Watch out: The VIN photograph is the one that does the work. It proves the car in front of you is the car on the certificate.
5	YOU	Describe the mistake in detail	A free block with pages available if it is not enough. This is the whole substance of the request. Watch out: Say what happened, when you realised, and what you have done since. A restoration is discretionary and this paragraph is what it is exercised on.
6	YOU	Is it in good running order and safe on public roads?	Yes or no, with a condition description if no. Watch out: Answer it honestly. A no does not sink the request; a yes that turns out to be untrue is a false statement on a document filed with the department.
7	YOU	The three additional questions	Refund received, credit taken, or wrong vehicle junked with a copy of the other certificate attached. Watch out: If you have already had the refund back on this vehicle, expect to return it. The state will not restore a title and let you keep the money for the months you said you were not using.
8	YOU	Sign, date and send it to Des Moines	Signature and date submitted, then post or email it to Vehicle Central Programs. Watch out: This is one of the few Iowa vehicle forms that does not go to a county treasurer. The address and the email are both printed on the form.

What gets this one rejected

- A change of mind. The statute and the form both limit restoration to a junking certificate obtained by mistake or inadvertence. Deciding the car was worth more than you thought is not that.
- A request from somebody other than the first holder. Only the person or persons who obtained the first junking certificate may ask for the title to be reinstated.
- A request outside the window. s. 321.52(3) sets fourteen days from the date the first junking certificate was issued.
- No photographs. The form requires three: front view, side view, and the VIN on its affixed plate, and it asks for them to be legible.
- An unexplained mistake. The description block is the substance of the request, and there is no tick box that stands in for it.

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

Read off 411403 (01-23) and the Iowa Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division'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