

How to fill out MVT-10 — Inspection of Vehicle Identification Number by Authorized Person

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The form that gets a foreign-registered car into the Maine title system, and the one Maine sellers near the border meet more than anyone else. The rule at the head of the sheet is flat: an inspection is required for all vehicles 25 model years and newer which were previously registered or titled in another country. It is also required whenever the vehicle identification number of a vehicle is questionable - which is the second reason a Maine seller ends up with one, on a car whose number plate has corroded or been replaced.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank MVT-10 from the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.maine.gov/sos/sites/maine.gov/sos/files/inline-files/MVT-10%20VIN%20Inspection.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	Find an authorised inspector	One of the five categories printed on the form. Watch out: A Maine official inspection station is usually the easiest of the five to book, and it is the one that has to write a station number on the sheet.
2	OTHER	Date and place of viewing	The inspector certifies personally viewing the vehicle on a date at a location. Watch out: Personally viewed means present at the vehicle. This block cannot honestly be completed from photographs.
3	OTHER	The vehicle row	Year, make, model, style, and the state and plate number where it was last registered. Watch out: For an import, the last registration was in another country and that is what goes in the box. It is the fact that triggered the inspection in the first place.
4	OTHER	Two numbers, two places	The public identification number, and the number on the federal sticker. Watch out: On a motorcycle the frame number is required instead of the second reading, which the instruction says in as many words.
5	OTHER	Owner and odometer	Owner name and address, then the reading with no tenths and its certification. Watch out: The mileage certification here is the same three-way choice as everywhere else in the Maine set, and it is signed by the inspector rather than by you.
6	OTHER	The finding	No signs of alteration or tampering, or appears altered or tampered with. Watch out: If the second box is ticked, the vehicle is not going anywhere until the Bureau has looked at it. That is the form doing its job.
7	YOU	Both signatures	The authorized person signs and dates one lane; you sign and date the other, with printed names under both. Watch out: The owner's lane is the one left blank most often, because the sheet reads like an official document rather than one you are party to.
8	OTHER	Agency or station identification	The agency or inspection station name, the badge or station number, and a work telephone number. Watch out: The number is what the Bureau uses to verify the inspection actually happened. A form with a name and no number is an anonymous certification.

What gets this one rejected

- An inspection carried out by somebody not on the list of five. A friendly mechanic who is not a Maine official inspection station is not an authorized person.
- One identification number where the form asks for two from two places on the vehicle.
- A motorcycle inspected without the frame number, which the same instruction names specifically.
- An inspection station number left blank, when the station route requires it by name.
- An abandoned vehicle inspected by anybody other than a full-time law enforcement officer.
- The current owner's signature lane left empty. The form has two signatures side by side and only one of them belongs to the inspector.
- Used to correct the identification number on a registration, which the sheet excludes in its own bullet.

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

Read off MVT-10 (Rev 10-2023) and the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-24. Plain-language help with a form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs. sellmycarhub.com



SECRETARY OF STATE
BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

INSPECTION OF (VIN) VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
BY AUTHORIZED PERSON

An inspection of a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is required for all vehicles 25 model years and newer which were previously registered/titled in another country. An inspection of a VIN is also required whenever the Vehicle Identification Number of a vehicle is questionable.

- This form is NOT to be used to correct the VIN on a registration.
- Arrangements for inspection of a VIN must be made by the owner of a vehicle at no cost to the State of Maine.

ONLY THE FOLLOWING ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO INSPECT VINS:

- Selected employees and agents of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles
- Law enforcement officers employed full-time
- Maine and New Hampshire licensed dealers (only if seller of vehicle)
- Maine official inspection stations (station number must be given)
- Military provost officers
- **For abandoned vehicle applications**, only law enforcement officers employed full-time are authorized to inspect the VIN.

Under penalties of false statement, the undersigned authorized person certifies to the following facts:

I certify that on 08/26/2026 I personally viewed the vehicle described below at 24 Pleasant St, Fort Kent.

Year	Make	Model	Style	State & Plate # Where Last Registered	Location
2015	Subaru	Forester	4D SW	New Brunswick, Canada MHL 482	CTA #

VIN must be copied from 2 places on the vehicle; if motorcycle, need frame VIN.

Public Vehicle Identification Number	Vehicle Identification Number on the Federal Sticker
JF2SJADC9FH530186	JF2SJADC9FH530186
Owner's Name	Address
Lucienne D. Beaulieu	24 Pleasant St, Fort Kent, ME 04743

Odometer Reading (no tenths)

☒ Actual ☐ In Excess ☐ Not

0 9 4 1 6 2

☒ miles ☐ kilometers ☐ hours

Actual

I further certify that:

Check One:



To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the Vehicle Identification Number shows no signs of alteration or having been tampered with.

OR



The Vehicle Identification Number appears altered or tampered with.

Gaetan Michaud 08/26/2026
Signature of Authorized Person Date

Lucienne Beaulieu 08/26/2026
Signature of Current Owner Date

Gaetan Michaud
Please clearly print name of person signing above

Lucienne D. Beaulieu
Please clearly print name of person signing above

Saint John Valley Auto Service
Name of Law Enforcement Agency or Inspection Station

40217
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