

# How to fill out VR-008 — Application: New Plates/Stickers & Transfer of Plates or Non-Title Trailers

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The alternative to handing your plates in, and the only reason a Maryland seller ever keeps them: moving a registration onto the next car. It is also how a buyer who already owns a Maryland vehicle brings their existing plate across. One page of application and a second page that is nothing but the state's registration fee schedule, which is the clearest published version of what tags actually cost.

**This sheet is not the form.** Download the blank VR-008 from the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration at <https://mva.maryland.gov/media/157?f=VR-008.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

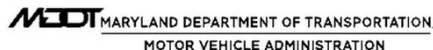
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|---|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | YOU | <b>Transfer of License Plates</b>                           | The third tick block, with the tag number, sticker number and expiration date written on the same line. <b>Watch out:</b> All three, not just the plate number. The sticker number and expiry are how the MVA identifies which registration year is being moved across.                     |
| 2 | YOU | <b>Title Number, Class and Make</b>                         | The vehicle the plates are going onto, not the one they came off. <b>Watch out:</b> This trips people up because everything above this row is about the old car. From here down the form is describing the new one.                                                                         |
| 3 | YOU | <b>Vehicle Year and Vehicle Identification Number</b>       | The row underneath, again for the vehicle receiving the plates. <b>Watch out:</b> If the new car is not titled in Maryland yet, this application travels with the title work rather than ahead of it.                                                                                       |
| 4 | YOU | <b>Owner's MDID and Date of Birth</b>                       | The owner identification block, with a second row for a co-owner. <b>Watch out:</b> The printed instruction covers the case where you have no licence: give the date of birth on its own. A company copies the owner's MD ID from the title certificate and leaves the date of birth alone. |
| 5 | YOU | <b>Is this vehicle rented or leased, and is it a loaner</b> | Two yes-or-no pairs. On an ordinary private vehicle both answers are no. <b>Watch out:</b> Answer them anyway. An unticked pair is an unanswered question and this is a certified application.                                                                                              |
| 6 | YOU | <b>Certificate of Insurance</b>                             | Insurance company, policy or binder number and agent or broker. <b>Watch out:</b> The cover has to be in force on the vehicle the plates are moving to. A policy that starts when the old car is collected leaves a gap the MVA's own systems will see.                                     |
| 7 | YOU | <b>Owner's Signature and Printed Name</b>                   | The last block, with a co-owner pair below it, under a penalty-of-perjury certification. <b>Watch out:</b> Print as well as sign. It is the same habit the certificate of title demands and the same reason - a signature alone leaves the MVA guessing at a name.                          |

### What gets this one rejected

- A transfer application with no copy of the current registration card, which the form asks for on its face.
- A plate being moved onto a class it cannot go to. The MVA's manual limits transfers to class A, M and E vehicles.
- A plate being moved to somebody else's car. It transfers within the same owner's name, between parents and children, and between spouses, and nowhere else.
- Insurance details left blank, when the certification directly above the signature is the whole point of the block.
- A date of birth left out where the owner has no Maryland licence number to give, which is the case the printed instruction is written for.
- Budgeting for the transfer fee alone. Where the new vehicle's registration fee is higher, the difference is collected as well.

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

Read off VR-008 (05-26) and the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration'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



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VR-008 (05-26)

## Application: New Plates/Stickers & Transfer of Plates or Non-Title Trailers

I/we do hereby make application for (check applicable block):

- ☐ New License Plates/Stickers ☐ New Stickers Only: Tag #: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Transfer of License Plates: Tag # 8DM3417 Sticker #: 2846013 Exp. Date: 04/2028
- ☐ Registration only for non-titled trailer. (I certify that I am the legal and rightful owner of this trailer and that the trailer is not a subject to a security interest, has a GVWR less than 2501 lbs, and is not a camping trailer.)

These plates/stickers will be affixed to the following vehicle:  
(if transferring plates attach a copy of the current registration card)

|              |          |       |                   |      |      |
|--------------|----------|-------|-------------------|------|------|
| Title Number | 41103982 | Class | E - Truck         | Make | Ford |
| Year         | 2018     | VIN   | 1FTEW1EPXJFA30752 |      |      |

**Owner and Co-Owner:** Copy your driver license number and give date of birth. If you don't have a license, give date of birth.

**Companies, Corporations, etc.:** Copy owner's MD ID from title certificate and disregard date of birth.

|                 |                   |               |            |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| Owner's MDID    | P-641-208-573-914 | Date of Birth | 07-19-1974 |
| Co-Owner's MDID |                   | Date of Birth |            |

Is this vehicle rented or leased? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is this vehicle a loaner? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Certificate of Insurance:** The vehicle described above is insured with a licensed Maryland insurance required by Maryland law. For vehicles over 10,000 lbs., the owner certifies this vehicle is covered by a Preventative Maintenance Program that meets the requirements of FMCSR 396.17

Insurance Co: Monocacy Valley Mutual Insurance Company Policy/Binder #: MD-4471-90862  
Agent/Broker: Corbin A. Wexler

I/we certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information stated herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

|                         |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Rosalind Purnell</u> | <u>Rosalind T. Purnell</u> |
| Owner's Signature       | Owner's Printed Name       |
| <u></u>                 | <u></u>                    |
| Co-Owner's Signature    | Co-Owner's Printed Name    |

**Registration Fees:** Vehicles (see reverse side) will be registered for one (1) year at the time they are titled or their registration is renewed. For multiyear registration options, please use myMVA online services.

**Payment Methods:** Visa, Master Card, American Express, Mobile Wallet Pay, Cash, Check and Money Order payable to the MVA. **By Mail:** Check and Money Order only. **Please Note:** The check must include (1) Imprinted name and address, (2) driver's license number (soundex number), (3) home or work telephone number. Company checks must have a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN).

**Transferring Plates:** If the annual registration fee is the same or less than the fee for the previously owned vehicle, the transfer fee is \$15.00 plus any difference in the two registration fees. If you are transferring plates and less than 12 months remain before your registration expires, the registration will be renewed for an additional year.

For more information, please call: **410-768-7000** (to speak with a customer service representative),  
TTY for the hearing impaired: **800-735-2258**. Visit our website at: [www.MVA.Maryland.gov](http://www.MVA.Maryland.gov)