



Affidavit of Surviving Spouse

Registry of Motor Vehicles
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1. If you are selling the passenger vehicle or motorcycle, complete this application and give it to the buyer, along with a copy of the death certificate and the assigned Certificate of Title.
2. If you are retaining ownership of the passenger vehicle or motorcycle, go to an authorized Massachusetts insurance agent and have them fill out, stamp, and sign a Registration and Title Application (RTA). After verifying the information, sign the Registration and Title Application (RTA).

Instructions:

Bring the stamped Registration and Title Application (RTA), along with this form, death certificate, and Certificate of Title, to your nearest RMV Service Center.

A. Owner (Decedent) Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Suffix
Kavanagh	Declan	Thomas	

B. Vehicle Information

Registration #	4NLB27		
Title #	JD330915		
Vehicle Make	Toyota Camry LE	Year	2014
VIN #	4T1BF1FKXEU367215		

C. Certification and Signature

I hereby certify that the above-named decedent (copy of death certificate attached) was the registered owner of the above described passenger vehicle or motorcycle registered and used as a pleasure vehicle in the Commonwealth.

I further certify that said vehicle has not been disposed of otherwise by will and that, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 90D, Section 15A, the interest in said vehicle shall pass to me as surviving spouse.

I swear (affirm), under the penalties of perjury, that the information I have provided is true and correct. I am aware that false statements are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both under M.G.L. Chapter 90, Section 24B.

Date: 08/14/2026

Signature of Surviving Spouse: _____

Printed Name of Surviving Spouse: Rosalind M. Kavanagh

How to fill out TTL103 — Affidavit of Surviving Spouse

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One page that moves a car out of a deceased husband's or wife's name without probate. Massachusetts presumes that a married resident's pleasure vehicle was jointly held with right of survivorship unless a will says otherwise, and this affidavit is how the surviving spouse says so. It works for passenger vehicles and motorcycles, and the Registry waives the title change fee.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank TTL103 from the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/affidavit-of-surviving-spouse/download?f=TTL103.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	Decide which instruction applies	Selling the vehicle, or keeping it. The two numbered instructions at the top of the form lead to different piles of paperwork. Watch out: Selling is the shorter route: the affidavit, a copy of the death certificate and the assigned certificate all go to the buyer, and the Registry sees them at the buyer's transaction rather than at yours.
2	YOU	Section A, the decedent	Last name, first name, middle name and suffix of the registered owner who has died. Watch out: Spell it as the certificate spells it. If the death certificate and the title disagree, resolve that before anything else.
3	YOU	Section B, the vehicle	Registration number, title number, make, year and vehicle identification number. Watch out: The title number is on the front of the certificate. If the certificate cannot be found, the duplicate application accepts an affidavit of surviving spouse and a death certificate in place of the deceased owner's signature.
4	YOU	Read the certification	That the decedent was the registered owner of a pleasure vehicle, that it was not disposed of by will, and that under section 15A the interest passes to you. Watch out: Sworn under the penalties of perjury, with false statements punishable under chapter 90 section 24B. If there is a will and it mentions the car, this is not the right form.
5	YOU	Date, sign, print	Three lines at the foot of the page. Watch out: No notary. This affidavit is sworn on the form itself, which is unusual for a document doing this much work.
6	YOU	Assign the certificate as well, if you are selling	The buyer needs the assignment on the back of the title completed in your name, not the decedent's. Watch out: You are the owner by operation of section 15A from the moment of death, so the seller's row is yours to sign. The affidavit is what proves it.

What gets this one rejected

- A commercial vehicle or a truck. The certification is limited to a passenger vehicle or motorcycle registered and used as a pleasure vehicle.
- A vehicle the will deals with. The affidavit certifies that the vehicle has not been disposed of otherwise by will, and if it has, the executor handles it instead.
- Anyone other than the surviving spouse signing. The section is titled signature of surviving spouse and the presumption in section 15A runs to a spouse alone.
- Filing it without a copy of the death certificate.
- Handing the buyer the affidavit but not the assigned certificate. Instruction 1 asks for all three: the affidavit, the death certificate and the certificate of title with the assignment completed.

☒ 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 TTL103 (TTL103_0123, January 2023) and the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles'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.

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