



Application for Inspection of a Salvaged Motor Vehicle

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A. Requirements and Instructions

The salvage law and inspection requirement is a consumer protection and anti-theft law. The vehicle is "branded" for its lifetime and the brand appears on the title, e.g., "RECONSTRUCTED" or "RECOVERED THEFT" so that a consumer purchasing a vehicle will know its history. Vehicles are selected at random for inspection. We inspect the selected vehicle for its identity and record all major component parts replaced, either by number or receipt. This is to deter fraud and the sale of stolen parts.

The inspection is NOT a safety inspection. If the safety inspection sticker was removed from the windshield and replaced with a rejection sticker at the time of the damage appraisal, you may submit the vehicle to any official inspection station for a valid safety inspection sticker after the defects have been corrected and the vehicle has been properly registered.

There are several salvage inspection sites throughout the Commonwealth. An appointment is required and may be paid for and scheduled online at mass.gov/rmv. If you have already paid for a salvage inspection at a service center please contact the Massachusetts State Police at 857-368-7394 to schedule an appointment. At the time of the inspection you will be required to have:

1. A completed Application for Inspection of a Salvaged Motor Vehicle, including the owner's sworn affidavit.
2. The receipt for the \$50.00 fee that you paid to "MassDOT."
3. Ownership papers, including outstanding Salvage Title or RMV receipt for title.
4. Insurance appraisal report.
5. Bills of sale evidencing acquisition of all major component parts used to restore the vehicle. If the vehicle was wholly or partially restored with "used" parts, the receipts must contain the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of the vehicle(s) from which the part(s) were taken.

NOTE: If an airbag has been replaced with a used airbag purchased after January 1, 2004, a copy of the certificate of title for the vehicle that the airbag came from must be provided, regardless of whether the airbag was purchased in Massachusetts or out-of-state. A "used airbag" is an airbag that has been removed from one vehicle and reinstalled in a salvage vehicle being rebuilt.

Except for a licensed dealer, a Salvage title CANNOT be transferred from private party to private party without the current owner first obtaining a salvage title in his/her own name or by completing the salvage process and obtaining the "RECONSTRUCTED" or "RECOVERED THEFT" title, whichever is appropriate.

Inspections by authorities in other states will not be honored in Massachusetts unless a prior agreement between the other state and Massachusetts exists. All Salvaged Titles vehicles must be inspected in Massachusetts if they are to be registered in Massachusetts. New York Salvage Certificates (Form 907A) and Connecticut Titles stamped Salvage are not accepted.

M. G. L. Chapter 90D Section 20D, Reconstruction or Restoration of Total Loss Salvage Motor Vehicle

(a) Any owner who reconstructs or restores a total loss salvage motor vehicle to its operating condition which existed prior to the event which caused a salvage title to issue under this chapter or the laws of another state, or who recovers a total loss salvage motor vehicle if stolen, shall make application to the registrar for a certificate of title and an inspection of the vehicle prior to the registration or sale of said vehicle. Each application for title and inspection shall be accompanied by the following:

- (1) the outstanding salvage title previously issued for the salvage vehicle;
- (2) bills of sale evidencing acquisition of all major component parts used to restore the vehicle, listing the manufacture's vehicle number of the vehicle from which the parts were removed, if such part contained or should contain the manufacture's vehicle identification number;
- (3) the owner shall also provide a sworn affidavit in the form prescribed by the registrar which states that: (i) the identification numbers of the restored vehicle and its parts have not been removed, destroyed, falsified, altered or defaced; (ii) the salvage title document attached to the application has not been forged, falsified, altered or counterfeited; (iii) all information contained on the application and its attachments is true and correct to the knowledge of the owner; and
- (4) the required inspection fee.

The vehicle identification number of every vehicle for which an application is submitted shall be inspected by an inspector at a location designated by the registrar. In addition, of the vehicles presented for such inspection, a certain number may be selected for inspection of the vehicles major component parts which have been repaired or replaced as part of the rebuilding process to determine that the vehicle information contained in the application and supporting documents is true and correct. The selection of vehicles to undergo said major component part inspection shall be on a random basis, in accordance with criteria and procedures established by the registrar by regulation, which may be changed from time to time as the registrar deems necessary. The inspector may examine the identification number of each part that has been repaired or replaced as a part of the rebuilding process in addition to the vehicle identification number, and may compare said numbers to the vehicle identification numbers and identification numbers of parts entered into any state, regional, or national computer network that records the identification numbers of stolen motor vehicles and the identification numbers of stolen parts. Nothing in this section shall establish a presumption that a part has been removed, falsified, altered, defaced, destroyed, or tampered with by a person submitting a vehicle inspection, if such part fails to contain a required identification label. The major component inspection shall not be for the purpose of checking road worthiness or the safety condition of the vehicle. No liability shall be imposed on the registrar or the commonwealth or its agents or employees with respect to any act or omission related to said inspection. A person aggrieved by an adverse report issued under this section by a vehicle inspector, may file a written request for reconsideration of the inspector's report with the registrar, within thirty days of receiving a written copy of said report. The registrar shall assign the request for review to a hearing officer, who shall schedule a hearing to be held within thirty days of the date of the request, at a place of the registrar's choosing. The hearing officer may affirm or overrule the decision of the inspector. A final decision by the hearing officer shall be rendered with fifteen days of the closing of the final date of the hearing.

(b) Upon satisfactory inspection results, and receipt of all required documents and fees, the registrar shall issue a new certificate of title in the name of the owner which shall contain the notation, "reconstructed," or if the vehicle was a stolen vehicle which was subsequently recovered in an undamaged condition, said certificate shall contain the notation, "recovered theft vehicle."



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B. Owner Information

Check one only: ☐ Dealer ☒ Individual

Dealership Name/Owner's Last Name Kavanagh		First Name Rosalind	Middle Initial M	Suffix
Address				
Street 214 Cottage St		City New Bedford	State MA	Zip Code 02740
Mailing Address ☐ Same as above				
Street		City	State	Zip Code
Email Address r.kavanagh@example.com			Phone # (508) 555-0142	
SSN / FID# / MA License # S48192730		Date of Inspection (MM, DD, YYYY) 09/09/2026		Signature

C. Vehicle Information

VIN # JN8AS5MT6CW281503	Year 2012	Make Nissan	Model Rogue S
Color Grey	Salvage Title # SG207714	State Massachusetts	
Vehicle Type ☐ Ambulance ☐ Auto-Home ☐ Bus ☐ Fire Truck ☐ Low Speed ☐ Motorcycle ☒ Passenger ☐ Truck			

D. Rebuilder Information (If different from Owner)

SSN/ FID #/ MA License #			Phone #
Last Name		First Name	Middle Initial
			Suffix
Address			
Street		City	State
Mailing Address ☐ Same as above		Zip Code	
Street		City	State
Email Address		Zip Code	Phone #

E. Owner's Affidavit

- ☒ I have reconstructed or restored, or caused to be reconstructed or restored, the total loss salvage motor vehicle to its operating condition which existed prior to the event which caused the salvage title to be issued under M.G.L. Chapter 90D, Section 20, or the law of another state.
- ☐ The above described vehicle is a total loss salvage motor vehicle that was stolen and recovered.

I, **Rosalind M. Kavanagh**, swear under the penalties of perjury that:
(Printed Name of Owner)

- (i) The identification numbers of the restored or recovered vehicle and its parts have not been removed, destroyed, falsified, altered, or defaced; **and**
- (ii) the salvage title document attached to the application has not been forged, falsified, altered, or counterfeited; **and**
- (iii) all information contained on the application and its attachments is true and correct to my knowledge.

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.

Signed by _____ under the penalties of perjury, this **26th** day of

August, 20 **2026**.

Owner's

Name:

Rosalind M. Kavanagh

VIN # (last 6 digits)

281503

F. Parts Description

Air Bag (right)

Air Bag (left)

Air Bag (side) right

Air Bag (side) left

Assembly (right) [Multipurpose passenger vehicles]

Assembly (left) [Multipurpose passenger vehicles]

Bumper (front)

Bumper (rear)

Dash (including built-in electronics)

Door (front right)

USED - RCPT 4471

Door (front left)

Door (rear right)

Door (rear left)

Door(s) [at back of vehicle] (both doors in case of double doors)
decklid, tailgate, hatchback (or whichever is present)

Door (sliding or cargo door(s))

Engine

ORIGINAL

Fender (front right)

USED - RCPT 4471

Fender (front left)

Hood

Interior (including seats and upholstered items)

Nose Assembly

Pickup Box and/or Cargo Box (Light Duty Trucks)

Quarter Panel (rear right) (passenger cars)

Quarter Panel (rear left) (passenger cars)

Transmission

Miscellaneous

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The three-page application that turns a repaired salvage vehicle back into something that can be registered. A State Police inspector examines the identification number, and on a randomly selected proportion of vehicles every major component that was replaced. It ends with a title branded RECONSTRUCTED or RECOVERED THEFT - and it contains the sentence that matters most to anyone holding a salvage title.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank TTL109 from the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/application-for-inspection-of-a-salvaged-motor-vehicle/download?f=TTL109.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	Pay the \$50 first	At a Service Center or online, to MassDOT, and keep the receipt. Watch out: The receipt is one of the five items the inspection site asks for. Arriving with the money but not the receipt does not work.
2	YOU	Book the appointment	An appointment is required and can be paid for and scheduled online; if the fee was already paid at a Service Center, the State Police salvage unit books it. Watch out: There are several salvage inspection sites across the Commonwealth and they are State Police sites, not Registry counters.
3	YOU	Section B, the owner	Dealer or individual, name, addresses, email, telephone, identification number, date of inspection and signature. Watch out: Tick Individual. The form is used by dealers and by private owners and the two are processed differently.
4	YOU	Section C, the vehicle	Vehicle identification number, year, make, model, colour, salvage title number and state, and the vehicle type. Watch out: The salvage title number is not the number that was on the clear title before the loss. A salvage title is a new certificate with a new number.
5	OTHER	Section D, the rebuilder	Completed where the repairs were done by somebody other than the owner. Watch out: Leave it empty if you did the work yourself, and fill it in if a body shop did - the inspector will ask either way.
6	YOU	Section E, the owner's affidavit	Tick one of the two boxes - reconstructed, or stolen and recovered - then print your name and date the sworn statement. Watch out: They are alternatives. A car rebuilt after a flood or a collision is the first box; the second is only for a vehicle that was stolen, written off and then found. Ticking both says two different things happened.
7	YOU	Page three, the parts	Twenty-six named components with a space beside each for the part number or the receipt that covers it. Watch out: Bring the bills of sale themselves as well. Used parts need the identification number of the vehicle they came off, and a used air bag needs a copy of the donor vehicle's title.

What gets this one rejected

- Turning up without the receipt. The \$50.00 is paid to MassDOT first and the receipt is one of the five things the inspection requires.
- Used parts with no source vehicle identification number on the receipt. If the vehicle was restored wholly or partly with used parts, the receipts must contain the identification number of the vehicle each part came from.
- A used air bag bought after 1 January 2004 with no title for the donor vehicle attached, wherever it was bought.
- An inspection carried out in another state. Inspections by authorities elsewhere are not honoured unless a prior agreement exists, and all salvage-titled vehicles must be inspected in Massachusetts to be registered here.
- A New York salvage certificate on Form 907A, or a Connecticut title stamped salvage. Neither is accepted - a Massachusetts salvage title has to be obtained first.

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