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The major component parts listed here have been used in rebuilding this vehicle. All major component parts used must be listed and all non-salvageable parts listed on the salvage title must be accounted for and replaced.

Engine	Doors	Trunk or floor pan
Passenger vehicle body	Transmission	Front or rear bumper
Pickup cargo box	Right or left front fender	Right or left rear quarter panel
Frame	Hood	Deck lid, tailgate, or hatchback
Truck cab		

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Part 4: Mechanic certification of salvage vehicle repairs

Application for salvage recertification (rebuilt salvage title) requires that any repairs performed on the vehicle were done in a workmanlike manner, as certified on this form, by a properly licensed vehicle mechanic in the appropriate specialty. **At a minimum, any mechanic listed on the TR-13A should be a certified mechanic with both unitized body and structural repair, and collision-related mechanical repair specialty categories. If additional certified mechanics are needed to certify other repairs conducted in an additional specialty, provide additional copies of Part 4 as necessary.**

To be completed by a properly certified mechanic who inspected the repairs:

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:															
YEAR:		MAKE:				MODEL:				BODY STYLE:		COLOR (Top/Bottom):			

MECHANIC PRINTED NAME:	MECHANIC CERTIFICATE NUMBER:	CERTIFICATE EXPIRATION DATE:	REPAIR FACILITY NUMBER WHERE INSPECTION OCCURRED:
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ACTIVE MECHANIC CERTIFICATIONS HELD:			
☐ Unitized body structural repair ☐ Collision-related mechanical repair ☐ Auto engine repair ☐ Auto automatic transmission ☐ Auto manual transmission and axles ☐ Auto front end, suspension and steering	☐ Auto brakes and braking systems ☐ Auto electrical systems ☐ Auto heating and air conditioning ☐ Auto engine tune-up/performance ☐ HDT engine repair - gasoline ☐ HDT engine repair - diesel	☐ HDT Drivetrain ☐ HDT Suspension and steering systems ☐ HDT brakes and braking systems ☐ HDT electrical systems ☐ Recreational trailer ☐ Motorcycle	

Repairs inspected:

EXPLAIN OR DESCRIBE THE REPAIRS THAT WERE INSPECTED, AND WHETHER THEY WERE PERFORMED IN A WORKMANLIKE MANNER:

I certify, under MCL 257.217c(13)(d) of the Michigan Vehicle Code, that any repairs performed on this vehicle were done in a workmanlike manner. In addition, I acknowledge that making a false certification on this inspection form is a felony under MCL 257.903.

SIGNATURE:	PRINTED NAME OF PERSON WHO INSPECTED REPAIRS:	DATE REPAIRS INSPECTED:
X		

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How to fill out TR-13A — Application for Salvage Vehicle Inspection

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The way back from a salvage title. Once a salvage vehicle has been repaired it cannot be plated again until a specially trained police officer - a salvage vehicle inspector - has verified where the parts came from and that the vehicle meets Michigan's equipment and safety requirements. This is the application for that inspection, and it is four parts filled in by four different people.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank TR-13A from the Michigan Department of State at <https://www.michigan.gov/sos/-/media/Project/Websites/sos/Vehicle/Salvage-Vehicle/tr13a.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's name and driver's licence number	The first box of Part 1, which takes both in one line. Watch out: Part 1 is the only part of this form the vehicle's owner completes. Parts 3 and 4 belong to the repairer and to a certified mechanic.
2	YOU	Current title number	The number from the salvage title, top right. Watch out: The salvage title itself has to be presented at the inspection, so the number here should match the document in your hand.
3	YOU	Vehicle identification number	The VIN, with year, make, model, body style and colour across the same row. Watch out: Colour is asked for as top and bottom, the same convention the salvage application uses. A single-colour vehicle repeats the code.
4	YOU	Owner or applicant's printed name, telephone and date	The confirmation row at the foot of Part 1, with the signature rule to its left. Watch out: The line above it says I confirm the above information is true, and the foot of the page adds that any alteration, forgery, or false statement is a felony.
5	DEALER	Explain the repairs conducted on this vehicle	Eight ruled lines in Part 3, completed by the person responsible for the repairs. Watch out: If a major component part was repaired rather than replaced, the printed instruction is to explain that specifically. Vague descriptions send an inspector looking for the parts themselves.
6	DEALER	Printed name of person responsible for repairs	Their name and the date repairs were completed, closing Part 3. Watch out: This may be you if you did the work yourself, but it is a separate declaration from the applicant's above it and it is signed separately.
7	YOU	Major component part, on the reverse	The first column of the parts table in Part 2. Watch out: The list of what counts is printed above the table - engine, transmission, doors, frame, truck cab, quarter panels and the rest. Anything on that list has to appear in this table.
8	YOU	VIN or I.D. number of the part	The identification number of the donor vehicle or component. Watch out: This is what an inspector cross-checks against theft records. A part with no traceable number and no receipt is the commonest reason a rebuild fails at this stage.
9	YOU	Date acquired	The last column of the parts table, beside the part source and address. Watch out: It has to be consistent with the receipts you attach. A part dated before the vehicle was damaged invites a question you would rather not be asked.

What gets this one rejected

- Parts you cannot account for. All major component parts used in rebuilding have to be listed with their source and date acquired, and all non-salvageable parts listed on the salvage title must be accounted for and replaced.
- No receipts. The instruction is printed twice - attach all receipts for major component parts, and where a registered repair facility did the work, its invoices as well.
- The wrong mechanic. At a minimum the mechanic certifying the repairs should hold both the unitized body and structural repair and the collision-related mechanical repair specialty categories.
- Turning up without the salvage title. The instructions say to present this completed form, the salvage title and the receipts for all major component parts to a salvage vehicle inspector.
- Sending it in as the whole application. A completed TR-13A and a Salvage Recertification, form TR-13B, must accompany a title application for an original rebuilt salvage vehicle title.

☒ 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 TR-13A (07/2023) and the Michigan Department of State'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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