



Minnesota Department of Public Safety
Driver and Vehicle Services Division
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Assignment of a vehicle to a surviving spouse/not subject to probate

1 Title number <i>MN2296104</i>	Model year <i>2012</i>	Make <i>Toyota</i>	2 Vehicle identification number <i>5TDBK3EH8CS128460</i>
3 Print name of deceased (vehicle owner) last, first, middle <i>Lindqvist, Alvar T</i>			4 Date of death <i>06/03/2026</i>
Signature		6 Relationship to deceased <i>Spouse</i>	

- 5 ☒ Surviving spouse: I certify I am the surviving spouse of the person named above. I further certify that I have selected this vehicle from the personal property in the estate of the deceased and that this action is permitted by Minnesota Statute 524.2-403.
- ☐ Not subject to probate: I certify the estate of the above-named person has not been and will not be probated and there are no monetary claims or security interests relating thereto. This action is permitted by Minnesota statute 524.2-201.

The following must accompany this document:

1. Minnesota Certificate of Title, properly completed
2. Proof of death (e.g. memorial card, newspaper clipping, or copy of death certificate)
3. Payment of title fee and filing fee

For additional information contact a Deputy Registrar or the Driver and Vehicle Services Division at:

- (651) 201-7777
- TTY/TDD (651) 282-6555 (for deaf or hard of hearing customers)
- drive.mn.gov

Notarization required

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This _____

Day of _____ 20 _____

Notary public

County

My commission expires

How to fill out PS2071 — Assignment of a Vehicle to a Surviving Spouse / Not Subject to Probate

Minnesota · written against PS2071 (08/26), issued under Minnesota Statutes 524.2-403 and 524.2-201

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One page, two ticks, and a car out of an estate without opening probate. It is the form a surviving spouse or the next surviving heir signs to take a vehicle whose sole owner has died, and the two boxes on it are two different statutes doing two different jobs - one about selecting property from an estate, one about an estate that will never be probated at all. It has to be notarised.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank PS2071 from the Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services at <https://assets.dps.mn.gov/files/dvs/mv-ps2071-vehicle-surviving-spouse-not-subject-probate.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	OTHER	Title number and vehicle	Title number, model year, make and vehicle identification number, copied from the certificate. Watch out: If the title cannot be found, apply for a duplicate first. DVS will only issue one to the owner or a legal representative, which for an estate means the paperwork has to be in order before the duplicate is.
2	OTHER	Name of the deceased	Last, first, middle - spelled as the title spells it, not as the death certificate does. Watch out: Where the two documents differ, take the title's spelling here and let the deputy registrar see both. A form that does not match the record is a form that cannot be matched to a vehicle.
3	OTHER	Date of death	The box beside the name. Watch out: It has to agree with whatever proof of death you attach. A memorial card with a different date is the one thing a counter will notice immediately.
4	OTHER	Tick one certification	Surviving spouse under 524.2-403, or not subject to probate under 524.2-201. Watch out: A surviving spouse uses the first even where the estate will not be probated. The second is for the next surviving heir where there is no spouse.
5	OTHER	Relationship to deceased	The box beside the signature rule. Watch out: Spouse, son, daughter, brother. It is what a deputy registrar reads against the certification you ticked, and vague answers slow it down.
6	OTHER	Sign in front of a notary	The signature rule, with the notary block on the right completed. Watch out: Notarisation is required, in the form's own word, printed above the block. Sign it there and not before.
7	OTHER	Attach the three things	The completed Minnesota certificate of title, proof of death, and payment of the title fee and filing fee. Watch out: Proof of death is generously defined - a memorial card or a newspaper clipping will do - and there is no need to part with an original death certificate.

What gets this one rejected

- Neither box ticked. They are alternatives and the form does nothing without one of them - a surviving spouse selecting the vehicle is a different claim from an heir taking one out of an estate nobody will probate.
- Both boxes ticked. A surviving spouse uses the first; where there is no surviving spouse the next heir uses the second.
- No proof of death. The form accepts a memorial card, a newspaper clipping or a copy of the death certificate, so this is the easiest of the three attachments to satisfy and the commonest one to forget.
- An unnotarised signature. The notarisation block is printed on the face with the word required above it.
- No title with it. Item 1 on the form is a Minnesota certificate of title, properly completed - and if it cannot be found, a duplicate has to be obtained first.
- Ticking not subject to probate where there is a lien. The certification says there are no monetary claims or security interests relating thereto, and a car with a lender on the title fails that sentence.

☐ 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 PS2071 (08/26) and the Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services'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