

# How to fill out 78-023 — Affidavit for Corrected Certificate of Title - Odometer Disclosure

Mississippi · written against 78-023 (09/17), issued under the purchaser, swearing a statement of facts and indemnifying the Department

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The cure for the one error the correction affidavit refuses to touch: a wrong odometer reading already on the title record. The purchaser swears a statement of facts - what the odometer actually read at acquisition, and why the application papers said otherwise - agrees to indemnify the Department for any losses, and pays the printed FEE: \$9.00 for the corrected certificate. The bite is in the notice: affidavits from every owner involved since the discrepancy occurred.

**This sheet is not the form.** Download the blank 78-023 from the Mississippi Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Services at <https://www.dor.ms.gov/sites/default/files/tax-forms/motor-vehicle/78023178%2520Affidavit%2520for%2520Corrected%2520Odometer.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 | BUYER | <b>The acquisition facts</b>                  | Date acquired, purchaser's full legal name and address, the vehicle's make, model and VIN. <b>Watch out:</b> The date matters: the affidavit certifies the reading at the time that I acquired this vehicle, so the number and the date have to belong to the same afternoon.                      |
| 2 | BUYER | <b>The seller's name and address</b>          | The full legal name and address of the person the vehicle came from. <b>Watch out:</b> This is why sellers keep copies of both faces of the signed title - months later, this line gets filled from somebody's photocopy, accurately or not.                                                       |
| 3 | BUYER | <b>The true reading and the reason</b>        | The odometer reading, no tenths, and the plain-language explanation of how the papers came to disagree. <b>Watch out:</b> Write the mechanism, not an apology: transposed at the counter, misread five for six. The ruled lines are short because a real explanation is.                           |
| 4 | BUYER | <b>Read the indemnity before signing</b>      | The agreement to make the Department whole if the facts sworn here turn out wrong. <b>Watch out:</b> This clause is the reason to verify the reading personally against the dashboard before swearing - it is your name standing behind the number, not the seller's.                              |
| 5 | BUYER | <b>Notary, fee, and the rest of the chain</b> | Sign before the notary, attach FEE: \$9.00, and collect the same sworn page from every other owner since the discrepancy. <b>Watch out:</b> The all-owners rule is the expensive part - track the chain down early, because the corrected certificate waits for the last signature, not the first. |

### What gets this one rejected

- An attorney-in-fact signing. The notice is absolute: a person appointed by a power of attorney cannot complete this affidavit. The owner swears it personally or it does not get sworn.
- One affidavit where the chain has three owners. Every owner since the discrepancy swears their own - a title two sales downstream of the error needs the whole line of them.
- A vague reason. The ruled lines want the mechanism - digits transposed at the counter, a reading taken from the wrong vehicle - because the examiner is deciding whether this was error or rollback.
- No fee. The corrected certificate is a title issuance like any other, and the form prints its price at the top: FEE: \$9.00.
- Treating it as a way to lower a reading. The affidavit records what the odometer actually read; a seller who wants the record to say fewer miles than the dashboard is describing the WARNING - ODOMETER DISCREPANCY box, not this form.

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

Read off 78-023 (09/17) and the Mississippi Department of Revenue, Motor 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

Form 78-023-17-8-1-000 Rev (09/17)

**Mississippi**  
**AFFIDAVIT FOR CORRECTED CERTIFICATE OF TITLE – ODOMETER DISCLOSURE**  
**FEE: \$9.00**

**PURCHASER'S STATEMENT OF FACTS:**

**1** This is to certify that on 08/12/2026, I Ottis J. Renfroe  
(Date) (Purchaser's Full Legal Name)

2117 Sweetgum Ln Byram MS 39272  
(Purchaser's Address Including City, State & Zip)

Acquired the following vehicle:

Nissan Frontier 1N6AD0EV8HN760413  
(Make and Model) (Vehicle Identification Number)

From:

**2** Harmon T. Leflore 483 Shiloh Creek Rd Florence MS 39073  
(Seller's Full Legal Name & Address)

**3** This is to also certify that at the time that I acquired this vehicle, the odometer reading on this vehicle was:  
87214 and to the best of my knowledge reflected the correct odometer  
(Odometer Reading – No Tenths)

reading. In error, the documents pertaining to the application for title to this vehicle reflected an incorrect odometer reading due to the following reason:

Two digits were transposed when the reading was copied onto the  
title application at the counter: 78214 was entered for 87214.

This is to further certify that I am aware of the facts contained in the above Purchaser's Statement of Facts. I further agree to indemnify the Mississippi Department of Revenue for any and all losses, which it might suffer due to the existence of facts to the contrary of those contained in this affidavit:

**5** 08/20/2026 Ottis Renfroe  
(Date) (Purchaser's Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

20th of August, 20 26.  
(Day) (Month) (Year) (Purchaser's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public)

My commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Affidavits must be obtained from all owners involved since the discrepancy in the odometer reading occurred. Person appointed by a power of attorney **cannot** complete this affidavit.