

How to fill out MV81A — Security Interest Processing: Assign/Transfer

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The form that moves a security interest from one lender to another without touching who owns the car - a loan sold on, a credit union merged, a servicing book transferred. It matters to a seller for a reason its title does not advertise: the manual also names it as the forced-title route. Where a buyer has let the forty days run out, MCA 61-3-220(4) lets the secured party pay the title and lien fees itself and have a title issued, and this is the form it submits. The purchaser's signature is not required in the title application section when that happens.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank MV81A from the Montana Department of Justice, Motor Vehicle Division, Vehicle Services Bureau at <https://mvdmt.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/MV81A-Security-Interest-Processing-Assign-Transfer-07.26F.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	LENDER	Section 2: the vehicle and its title number	Year, make, model, Montana title number and VIN. Watch out: Everything on this form hangs off the title number. It is the field to check against the certificate rather than against a loan file.
2	LENDER	Section 3: the borrower, unchanged	Both borrowers by legal name and identification number, with contact details for the first. Watch out: If the borrower has genuinely changed, this is the wrong form - an assignment moves the lender's side only.
3	LENDER	Section 4: the assignor	The lender giving up the interest, by legal name and identification or ELT number. Watch out: Where more than one party holds the interest, every name goes on the additional assignors row. A partial list is an assignment nobody can rely on.
4	LENDER	Section 4: the assignee	The lender taking it on, with its identification or ELT number and full mailing address. Watch out: The assignee is who a release will have to come from afterwards. If you are the owner, this is the name that matters when you eventually pay the loan off.
5	LENDER	Section 5: both lenders sign	Assignor and assignee signatures with dates, each certifying authority to sign for its own business. Watch out: One signature is not an assignment. The department is recording a transfer between two parties, and both have to say it happened.

What gets this one rejected

- One signature. Both the assignor and the assignee sign, and each certifies its own authority to sign for the business named.
- A co-holder left off. The form's own instruction on the additional rows is that if the security interest is held by more than one person, names must be listed.
- A borrower identification number omitted. Both borrower fields are marked required, as they are on the MV81B.
- The wrong title number. The department attaches the assignment to a record; a title number from a certificate that has since been replaced points at a voided document.
- No fee. The \$8.24 must accompany this form to be processed.

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



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1. Fees (Per MCA, 61-3-111, fees include 3% administration fee.)			
\$8.24: Fee to file a security interest; must accompany this form to be processed.			
2. Vehicle Information			
Year 2013	Make Toyota	Model 4Runner SR5	
Title Number 3M1749206	VIN/HIN 4R8KUZ5B6DL418206		
3. Borrower Information			
Borrower 1 Legal Name Wendell A. Hochstetler		Borrower 1 - DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID* - Required 0603914772	
Borrower 2 Legal Name		Borrower 2 - DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID* - Required	
Borrower 1 Mailing Address 1470 Valley Dr		City Miles City	State MT Zip 59301
Borrower 1 Phone (406) 555-0172		Borrower 1 Email w.hochstetler@example.com	
4. Assignor & Assignee Information			
For Value Received , the Assignor (named below) sells, assigns, and transfers to the Assignee (named below) its successors and assigns all of the rights, title, and interest in and to the security interest covering the vehicle/vessel described above, with power given to the Assignee to take legal proceedings in the name of Assignor or in its own name in order to enforce those rights.			
Assignor Legal Name Big Sky Timberline Credit Union		DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID/ELT* - Required ELT 4412	
Additional Assignors (if security interest is held by more than one person, names must be listed)			
Assignee Legal Name Rocky Mountain Front Bancorp		DL/FEIN/Tribal ID/Corp ID/ELT* - Required ELT 5108	
Assignee Mailing Address 77 Central Ave		City Great Falls	State MT Zip 59401
Additional Assignees (if security interest is held by more than one person, names must be listed)			
5. Assignor & Assignee Certification			
Under penalty of law (MCA, 45-7-203), I certify that: The statements made, and information contained on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I am the person named on this form; if signing for a business entity or trust, I have the full authority to do so. I acknowledged the security interest noted above and that it will be recorded on the electronic record for the above-described vehicle/vessel.			
Ardith J. Pomeroy Assignor's Signature (I certify that I have full authority to sign for this Assignor/Business)		09/14/2026 Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Hollis W. Tarkington Assignee's Signature (I certify that I have full authority to sign for this Assignee/Business)		09/16/2026 Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	

*DL: Driver License # | FEIN: Federal Employer Identification # | Tribal ID: Tribal Identification # | Corp ID: Corporate Identification # |
ELT: Electronic Lien and Title

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