

How to fill out MV-82 — Vehicle Registration/Title Application

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The buyer's application, and the document that turns your assigned certificate into their registration and their title. It is not your form to sign - but it is the form whose contents your paperwork has to agree with, and the reason a buyer comes back to you asking questions.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank MV-82 from the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles at <https://dmv.ny.gov/forms/mv82.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	I WANT TO: register a vehicle	One box of six across the head of section 1. Watch out: Get a title only is the box for a vehicle that is not going to be driven - it is not the ordinary purchase box, and ticking it means no plates.
2	BUYER	Name and driver licence number	Name as the licence has it, the New York driver licence identification number, date of birth and a telephone number. Watch out: There is a No ID box beside the licence number for an applicant who does not have one. Ticking it does not remove the requirement to prove identity, it just changes what has to be produced.
3	BUYER	County of residence	The county the registrant lives in, in its own cell at the right-hand end of the mailing address row. Watch out: This is not decoration. Most New York counties add a use tax on top of the state sales tax, and this line is what decides which one.
4	BUYER	Vehicle identification number	Copied from the assigned certificate into the row of printed boxes, one character to a box. Watch out: From the certificate, not the dashboard plate. The application and the ownership document have to agree character for character.
5	BUYER	Odometer reading in miles	The reading, in the cell beside the seating capacity. Watch out: It has to match what the seller disclosed on the back of the certificate. Two different numbers on two documents in the same envelope is the commonest reason a title application stalls in Albany.
6	BUYER	Section 4, damage disclosure	Yes or no to the same 75% question the certificate asks. Watch out: The answer comes from what the seller certified, not from what the car looks like. If the certificate says has not been and the application says yes, somebody is going to be asked which.
7	BUYER	Insurance requirements	Not For Hire, with a current and valid New York State insurance identification card. Watch out: Out-of-state coverage is never acceptable on a vehicle registered in New York, whatever the policy says. The card has to be a New York one.
8	BUYER	Section 6, certification	Print the name in full, sign, and add a second signature if the vehicle is going into more than one name. Watch out: The warning above it is not boilerplate: intentionally making a false statement in connection with the application is a criminal offence.

What gets this one rejected

- Anything in pencil. The head of the form reads PRINT CLEARLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK.
- Turning up without proof of identity. The form points at the DMV's identification requirements and the points standard on form ID-82 - the six points a New York applicant has to produce.
- An insurance card in the wrong name. It has to be in the exact name the vehicle is being registered in, down to a middle initial or a Jr.
- Only one signature where the vehicle is going into two names. The certification block prints an additional signature rule and says an additional signature is required for a partnership or if registering in more than one name.
- Sending it without the assigned certificate. The application is an application; the proof of ownership is the title you signed over.

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

Read off MV-82 (2/26) and the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a form, sellmycarhub.com not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.



Department of
Motor Vehicles

VEHICLE REGISTRATION/TITLE APPLICATION

PRINT CLEARLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK

INSTRUCTIONS

A. Is this vehicle being registered only for personal use? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If YES - Complete sections 1-4 of this form.

Note: If this vehicle is a **pick-up** truck that is never used for commercial purposes and does not have advertising on any part of the truck, you are eligible for passenger plates or commercial plates.

Select one: ☐ Passenger Plates ☐ Commercial Plates

If NO - Complete sections 1-5 of this form.

B. Complete the Certification in Section 6.

C. Refer to form MV-82.1 Registering/Titling a Vehicle in New York State for information to complete this form.

Office Use Only		Class
Batch File No.		Three of Name
☐ Activity	☐ Renewal	
☐ Activity W/RR	☐ Renew W/RR	
☐ Orig	☐ Lease Buyout	
☐ Dup	☐ Sales Tax with Title	
	☐ Sales Tax Only without Title	

I WANT TO:	☒ REGISTER A VEHICLE	☐ RENEW A REGISTRATION	☐ GET A TITLE ONLY	Current Plate Number
	☐ CHANGE A REGISTRATION	☐ REPLACE LOST OR DAMAGED ITEMS	☐ TRANSFER PLATES	

NAME OF PRIMARY REGISTRANT (Last, First, Middle or Business Name) FORMER NAME (If name was changed you must present proof)

Whitlock, Desmond A. Name Change Yes ☐ No ☐

NYS driver license ID number of PRIMARY REGISTRANT ☐ No ID # DATE OF BIRTH SEX TELEPHONE or MOBILE PHONE NUMBER

482 619 205 07 14 1988 M F X Area Code (716) 555-0148

NAME OF CO-REGISTRANT (Last, First, Middle) Name Change Yes ☐ No ☐

NYS driver license ID number of CO-REGISTRANT ☐ No ID # DATE OF BIRTH SEX ADDRESS CHANGE? ☐ YES ☐ NO

THE ADDRESS WHERE PRIMARY REGISTRANT GETS MAIL (Include Street Number and Name, Rural Delivery or Box Number. This address will be on the document.)

77 Auburn St Apt. No. City or Town Buffalo State NY Zip Code 14213 County of Residence

THE ADDRESS WHERE PRIMARY REGISTRANT RESIDES IF DIFFERENT FROM THE MAILING ADDRESS. (DO NOT GIVE A P.O. BOX.)

Apt. No. City or Town State Zip Code Erie

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER VEHICLE DESCRIPTION Body Type (mark one)

5 N 1 A T 2 M V 6 F C 8 1 2 7 4 3 Year 2015 Make Nissan

Color Gray Unladen Weight Type of Power (Fuel) ☒ Gas ☐ Diesel ☐ Electric ☐ Flex ☐ CNG ☐ Propane ☐ None ☐ Other

Cylinders Maximum Gross Weight Adult Seating Capacity (Including Driver) Odometer Reading in Miles 104382

Office Use Only Mileage Brand ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ H ☐ I ☐ J ☐ K ☐ L ☐ M ☐ N ☐ O ☐ P ☐ Q ☐ R ☐ S ☐ T ☐ U ☐ V ☐ W ☐ X ☐ Y ☐ Z

For trailers & commercial vehicles For commercial vehicles Axles Distance

Is this vehicle a limousine, stretch limousine or otherwise altered to increase seating capacity? Yes ☐ No ☐

If YES, include a picture of the required Federal Alterer's Safety Certification (normally found on the driver's door or door post) in accordance with VTL §401.

If YES, is this limousine, stretch limousine or otherwise altered vehicle equipped with safety belts at all occupant seating positions? Yes ☐ No ☐

IMPORTANT: If your vehicle is a limousine, stretch limousine or otherwise altered to increase the seating capacity, you must present to the DMV office a photograph or copy of all labels or plates (normally found on the driver's door or door post). If the vehicle is a limousine, stretch limousine or otherwise altered and now has an adult seating capacity of 9 or more (including the driver), you must show the original NYS DOT Inspection Receipt OR a NYS DOT Exemption Letter.

If the OWNER of the vehicle is DIFFERENT from the REGISTRANT, the OWNER must complete this section.

PRIMARY OWNER NYS License Number ☐ No ID # NAME OF PRIMARY OWNER (Last, First, Middle or Business Name) PRIMARY OWNER DATE OF BIRTH PRIMARY OWNER SEX

THE ADDRESS WHERE PRIMARY OWNER GETS MAIL (Include the Street Number and Name, Rural Delivery or Box Number)

Apt. No. City or Town State Zip Code County

NAME OF CO-OWNER REGISTRATION AUTHORIZATION ☐ My signature authorizes the person(s) named in Section 1 to register this vehicle in that person's name. I have provided the current ownership document.

X (Signature of ALL owner(s) and proof of ID required when first applying for a NYS title. See form ID-82 - Proofs of Identity for Registration and Title.) (Date)

OFFICE USE ONLY									
New Plate					New Class			Ins. Co. Code	
Sales Tax	Status	Value (\$)	Rate	Out of State	Jurisdiction			Audit	
Prior Owner				Issuance State	Title	Lien	Lien Number	Lien Release	
Proof Submitted									
Reg/Title				State		Stop/Response/Scoff Law		Approved By	Date

Special Conditions

AT	BV	CF	CO	EO	EX	FL
IO	NE	NF	NR	NU	OP	OV
PA	PI	PK	RC	RE	SC	SO
SP	SR	SS	SV	TE	TL	TO
TP	TR	TX	XR	X6	WO	

NAME OF PRIMARY REGISTRANT Whitlock, Desmond A.

DAMAGE DISCLOSURE

Has the vehicle been wrecked, destroyed, or damaged to such an extent that the total estimate, or actual cost, of parts and labor to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle to the condition it was in before an accident, and to make the vehicle legal to operate on the road or highways, is more than 75% of the retail value of the vehicle at the time of loss?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If you marked **YES**, the vehicle must have an anti-theft examination before it is registered. The title that is issued will have the statement "Rebuilt Salvage" on it.

VEHICLE MODIFICATIONS

Has this vehicle been modified from the original manufacturer specifications without extending the chassis or lengthening the wheel base? (Examples include: color changes, added seats, permanently mounted camping equipment, multi-stage vehicles.) If "Yes," describe the modifications:

☐ Yes ☒ No

NON-PERSONAL VEHICLE USE

* Vehicles that transport passengers may require NYS DOT Operating Authority (see <https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/operating/oss/bus/passenger>), NYS DOT Inspection (see <https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/operating/oss/bus/inspection>) and/or be subject to Article 19-A requirements (see <https://dmv.ny.gov/motor-carriers/information-and-forms-article-19>).

Check one:

☐ A commercial tow truck with a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 8,600 pounds

☐ Ambulette*

☐ Operates as a taxi* (you **must** complete the "Taxi Only" section below)

☐ Used only as a farm vehicle (form MV-260F, Part 1 **must** be submitted)

☐ Hearse

☐ Rented without a driver (private rental)

☐ Used only as an agricultural truck or agricultural trailer

☐ Combination Hearse/Invalid Coach*

☐ Used to pick up passengers for compensation **only** in jurisdictions that do not regulate taxis*

☐ Ambulance

☐ Used to transport passengers* (Bus, Livery, School Bus, School Car)

☐ Other - describe the use: _____

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

☐ For Hire (direct or indirect compensation) - Submit an FH Certificate

☐ DOT Operation - Submit and record the NYS DOT Permit and/or the Federal DOT Permit number: _____

☒ Not For Hire - Submit a current and valid NYS Insurance ID Card

TAXI ONLY (check one)

☐ Vehicle is used in New York City, Westchester, or Nassau counties.

☐ Vehicle is used for pick up in a jurisdiction that regulates taxis other than NYC, Westchester county, or Nassau county.

☐ Vehicle is used as a contract carrier in NYC (commuter van with seating capacity between 9 and 14). You are eligible for LIVERY plates.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I have given on this application and on any documentation provided in support of this application is true and complete. I certify that the vehicle is fully equipped as required by the Vehicle and Traffic Law, and has passed the required New York State inspection, or has qualified for a time extension (form VS-1077) and will be inspected within 10 days. I certify that appropriate insurance coverage is in effect, that the vehicle will be operated in accordance with the Vehicle and Traffic Law, and that I am not the subject of any unsatisfied notices of violation from a tolling authority. If I am applying for replacement registration items, I certify that the registration is not currently under suspension or revocation. If I have plates in a series reserved for a special group, I certify that I am still eligible to receive them, and that I have only one set of these plates. **If I am using a credit card for payment of any fees in connection with this application, I understand that my signature below also authorizes use of my credit card.**

WARNING: Intentionally making a false statement or providing false or misleading information in connection with this application is a criminal offense that may subject you to prosecution under the law.

Print Name Here DESMOND A. WHITLOCK Desmond Whitlock

(Print Name in Full - if registering in a business name, print your full name and title)

Print Additional Name Here _____

(Print Name in Full)

Sign Here **X** _____

(If signing for a business, sign your full name **and** provide a copy of your federal or state government-issued photo ID.)

Additional Signature **X** _____

(Sign Here - additional signature required for a partnership or if registering this vehicle in more than one name.)