

The nearest thing North Carolina has to a release of liability, and it is voluntary. You swear that on a given date you sold or traded the vehicle, that the title was assigned and delivered to the purchaser, and that there are no outstanding liens — and you ask the Division to cancel the computer record showing the car in your name.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank MVR-46F from the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/downloads/Documents/MVR-46F.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	The date of sale	Month, day and year in the first sentence, before anything else on the form. Watch out: The day the vehicle changed hands, which is the same date you wrote in the delivery box on the back of the title. Not the day you are signing this.
2	YOU	The vehicle	Year, make, body style and VIN. Watch out: Body style is the Division's abbreviation, the same one that went on the buyer's MVR-1. Copy it rather than describing the car.
3	YOU	Name and address of the purchaser	Who you sold or traded it to, and where they live. Watch out: Take it off their driver licence at the point of sale and keep a note. Weeks later, an address from a text message is not something you want to be swearing to.
4	YOU	North Carolina title number	Inside the sentence certifying that the title was assigned and delivered to the purchaser. Watch out: Photograph the face of the certificate before you hand it over. That one picture is the difference between filing this form easily and not being able to fill it in at all.
5	YOU	The lien statement	Either there are no outstanding liens on this vehicle, or lien cancellation for recorded lien is attached. Watch out: If a lien was cleared just before the sale, the cancellation goes in the envelope. The Division will not cancel a record that still shows a live security interest.
6	YOU	Signature of the owner	On the line described as signature of owner or owners reflecting on computer. Watch out: Every owner the record shows has to sign. If the car was in two names, one signature is half an affidavit.
7	YOU	The notary block	Date, county, state, the names of the principals, and the notary's signature, printed name, seal and expiry. Watch out: Then post it to the mail service centre address at the top of the form, or take it to a licence plate agency. Either route works and neither has a deadline attached.

What gets this one rejected

- An unsworn copy. The form says sworn to and subscribed, and NCDMV's own page repeats that it will need to be notarised before it is sent in.
- Neither lien box ticked. One of the two statements has to be made.
- A lien cancellation referred to but not attached.
- A signature from somebody the record does not show as an owner. The line asks for the owner or owners reflecting on computer.
- A missing title number. It is what lets the Division find the record you want cancelled.
- A missing date of sale. The first sentence of the affidavit is built around it.

☒ Amber is what you write

☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes

The completed example follows overleaf.

MVR-46F
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North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles
3148 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27697

AFFIDAVIT FOR REMOVAL OF REGISTERED VEHICLE FROM VEHICLE REGISTRATION FILES

1	I do hereby certify that on <u>08/18/2026</u> , I did sell/trade a:				2
	MONTH/DAY/YEAR				
	<u>2017</u>	<u>Subaru</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>4S4WMAJD5H3417206</u>	
	YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	
3	to <u>Desmond A. Pettiford</u> <u>1608 Dickinson Ave, Greenville, NC 27834</u>				
	NAME		ADDRESS		
4	North Carolina title number <u>183042771</u> was assigned and delivered to the purchaser.				
	I further certify:				
5	☒ There are no outstanding liens on this vehicle. ☐ Lien cancellation for recorded lien is attached.				
	I request that the computer record showing this vehicle in my name be cancelled.				
6	<u>Marlene Hollowell</u>				
	SIGNATURE OF OWNER (S) REFLECTING ON COMPUTER				
	Date <u>09/04/2026</u>	County <u>Forsyth</u>	State <u>NC</u>		
	Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by <u>Marlene T. Hollowell</u>				
	(NAME(S) OF PRINCIPAL(S))				
7	Notary Signature <u>Yvonne Trask</u>				
	Notary printed or typed name <u>Yvonne D. Trask</u>				
	(SEAL)	My Commission Expires <u>03/14/2029</u>			

G.S. 20-110 The Division may rescind and cancel the registration and certificate of title of a vehicle when presented with the Affidavit for Removal of Registered Vehicle from Registration Files (Form MVR-46F) properly completed and notarized.

After the MVR-46F form is completed, it can be mailed to the address above or submitted to a local License Plate Agency.