



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DRIVER AND MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICES
1800 LANA AVE NE, SALEM OREGON 97314

AFFIDAVIT TO ESTABLISH FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A VEHICLE

(Instructions on page 2)

Clear Form

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Use this form when you have a financial interest in a vehicle, or change in vehicle ownership, and need to obtain the personal information from DMV's vehicle record in order to obtain a release of interest or a signature required for a title transaction. For completion of this form, please see instructions on back.

This request must be notarized before it is submitted.

* Indicates a required field.

NOTE: The submission of this certification does NOT guarantee the release of information.
Incomplete forms may be returned. Please provide as much information as possible.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*FIRST NAME (Print)	MIDDLE NAME	*LAST NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER	
Odalys	M	Ferreira	(503) 555-0117	
*MAILING ADDRESS (Print)		CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
3120 NE Glisan St		Portland	OR	97232
EMAIL ADDRESS				
o.ferreira@example.com				

DATE YOU ACQUIRED VEHICLE	TODAY'S DATE
08/14/2026	09/29/2026

You must provide either a VIN or valid Oregon plate or your request will not be processed.

* PLATE NUMBER	YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	* VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN) If the VIN begins with OR, check this box: ☐
TKM 418	2017	Subaru	Wagon	4S4BSANC2H3245187

* Explain in detail how you acquired this vehicle, and why you do not have the ownership documents to this vehicle. (You may use the back of this form if more space is needed):

I bought the vehicle privately on 14 August 2026 and paid in full. The seller kept the certificate to have a lien released and agreed to post it. Nothing arrived. The telephone number I have is disconnected and two letters to the address on the bill of sale came back. I need the registered owner's current address so I can obtain a release of interest.

I am submitting **copies** (documents **will not** be returned) of the following document(s) for consideration in determining my claim to have a financial interest in the vehicle: (check all that apply). **Requests without proper documentation will be denied.**

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| ☒ Bill(s) of sale. | ☐ Sales contract/purchase agreement. |
| ☐ Bill(s) of sale or receipts for parts used in building this vehicle. | ☐ Out-of-state registration card. |
| ☐ Court order specifically awarding vehicle. | ☒ Proof of insurance. |
| ☐ A signed statement from the prior owner explaining their legal right to sell the vehicle. | ☐ Other: _____ |

Certification: I certify that:

- I understand that this form and the document(s) submitted as evidence of my interest will not be used to establish any type of ownership in the vehicle. The documents I am submitting are true and correct copies of their original counterparts.
- I am requesting personal information from DMV because I have financial interest in the vehicle and need to obtain a release of interest or a signature required for a title transaction.
- I understand that it is a Class A misdemeanor to knowingly obtain or use personal information in connection with a motor vehicle record in violation of ORS 802.175 to ORS 802.187. This Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a jail sentence of up to one year, a fine of \$6,250, or both.

SIGNATURE

X

State of _____ County of _____

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

by _____

X

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

Instructions

Do not use this form to request personal information from the record of a vehicle that is abandoned on your property or a vehicle for which you are required by law to give notice.

This form and the evidence of interest that you submit do not guarantee the disclosure of the personal information requested, nor do they establish ownership in the vehicle for title issuance purposes.

The evidence of interest that you submit **must**:

- a. include a description of the vehicle (at least the Oregon plate number or vehicle identification number),
- b. include your name, and
- c. show that you have an interest in the vehicle.

List of acceptable documents (the list below is not exhaustive):

- Bill of sale
- Contract/purchase agreement
- Odometer disclosure
- Copy of Oregon title/salvage title
- Security Agreement
- Small estate certification
- Lease agreement
- Final divorce decree
- Inheritance affidavit
- Court order specifically awarding vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Repair bills
- Oregon DMV Form 735-550

Or provide any other documentation that supports your claim to financial interest in the vehicle.

If you submit a non-standard document, please include your reasoning for including the document in the explanatory portion of the form.

Note: Providing one document does not guarantee your application will be approved.

Mail the completed form and copies of your evidence of interest to:

DMV Record Services
1905 Lana Ave NE
Salem OR 97314

If you have questions, you may contact DMV's Customer Assistance (503) 945-5000 or email DMV Record Services at DMVRecordServices@odot.oregon.gov.

Explain how you acquired this vehicle and why you do not have the ownership documents to this vehicle (continued):

How to fill out 735-7116A — Affidavit to Establish Financial Interest in a Vehicle

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Oregon · written against 735-7116A (5-26), issued under ORS 802.175 to ORS 802.187

Two pages, a notary, and the answer to the worst version of a private sale: you have the car and no way to reach the person who sold it to you. Oregon will not hand out a registered owner's details on request — the driver privacy statutes make that a crime — so this affidavit is the narrow, documented route to getting the name and address needed to chase a release of interest or a missing signature. It guarantees nothing. The form says so itself, twice, in bold.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank 735-7116A from the Oregon Department of Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division at <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/Forms/DMV/7116afill.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	Applicant information	First, middle and last name printed, telephone, mailing address, city, state, ZIP and email. Asterisks mark the required ones. Watch out: Give the email even though it is not starred. DMV Record Services works through queries by writing back, and a posted question adds a week each way.
2	BUYER	Date you acquired vehicle, and today's date	Two dated boxes. Watch out: The gap between them is part of the story. A vehicle acquired two years ago and only now being chased needs explaining in the block below.
3	BUYER	Vehicle description	Plate, year, make, body style and VIN, with the OR box for a DMV-assigned number. Watch out: You must provide either a VIN or a valid Oregon plate, or the request will not be processed — that is the form's own sentence, in bold.
4	BUYER	Explain in detail how you acquired this vehicle, and why you do not have the ownership documents	The largest block on the form, with the back of the sheet available if it will not fit. Watch out: Dates, names and amounts. Write it as a sequence of things that happened, not as a complaint, because a clerk is deciding whether you have a financial interest rather than whether you have been badly treated.
5	BUYER	The evidence checklist	Eight tick boxes and an Other line, covering bills of sale, contracts, parts receipts, a court order, an out-of-state registration card, proof of insurance and a signed statement from the prior owner. Watch out: Send copies, not originals — the form says documents will not be returned. And tick only what is actually in the envelope.
6	BUYER	The three certifications	Printed above the signature: why you are asking, that the copies are true, and that misusing personal information from a motor vehicle record is a Class A misdemeanour. Watch out: The third one is the reason the whole form exists. Oregon protects a registered owner's details under ORS 802.175 to 802.187, and this is a controlled exception rather than a look-up service.
7	BUYER	Signature	One signature line, signed in front of the notary rather than before you get there. Watch out: A notary who has not watched you sign cannot notarise it, and a form signed at the kitchen table and taken along is a second trip.
8	OTHER	The notary block	State, county, subscribed and sworn before me this day of, the name of the signer, and the notary's signature. Watch out: This and the Inheritance Affidavit are the only Oregon forms in this whole set that need a notary. Neither of them is part of an ordinary sale, which is worth remembering when somebody tells you Oregon titles have to be notarised.

What gets this one rejected

- Sent without notarisation. The form says it in the note at the top: this request must be notarized before it is submitted.
- No VIN and no valid Oregon plate. The warning above the vehicle block says the request will not be processed without one of them.
- No evidence attached. Requests without proper documentation will be denied, in the form's own words, and the copies you send are not returned.
- Evidence that does not name you. The instructions require the document to include a description of the vehicle, your name, and something showing you have an interest in it.
- Used for an abandoned vehicle on your property. The instructions bar it: do not use this form to request personal information from the record of a vehicle abandoned on your property, or one for which you are required by law to give notice.
- Used to establish ownership. The certification is explicit that the form and the evidence will not be used to establish any type of ownership in the vehicle.

