

How to fill out an Oregon title

This sheet is not the title. It is the checklist to keep beside one. Both margins carry the same four words set vertically: VOID IF ALTERED OR ERASED. The handbook describes the current certificate exactly: Form 735-410 dated 11-23, “size is 8 ½” X 8 ½”; color is blue and light red with a blue border”, issued on standard 8½ x 11 paper perforated so the top portion comes away.

Who has to sign

Every owner releasing interest	Three printed rows inside the reassignment block, each a printed name and a signature. The handbook's rule is that all owners shown on the front who are giving up their interest must sign — though not all of them have to do it here, because a separate release or bill of sale is accepted from the ones who cannot.
The buyer, once	Under the line “I am aware of the above odometer disclosure made by the seller/agent.” The handbook requires at least one buyer to print and sign it, and that signature is what makes the mileage figure a disclosure rather than a note.
The security interest holder	On the FRONT, in the block at the foot marked SIGNATURE AND COUNTERSIGNATURE OF SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER OR LESSOR RELEASING ALL INTEREST. There are two of those lines, for two lenders.
Nobody in front of a notary	Chapter E requires an original wet signature on a release of interest and says nothing about notarisation. The only Oregon form in this whole set that needs one is the Inheritance Affidavit.
A representative signing for an owner	Writes the owner's name, then the word by, then their own — the power of attorney's own worked example is “Sharon Smith by Jane Doe”.
A business	Signs in the business name with an authorised representative's signature beside it. The handbook's own illustration: if the vehicle is owned by John Doe DBA Ajax Autos, then John Doe is the owner and the release comes from John Doe.

Every box, in the order you meet it

#	WHO	BOX	WHAT GOES IN IT
1	YOU	DATE OF SALE OR TRANSFER	Top left of the reassignment block, in the tall column beside the buyer's name. The day the car changed hands. Watch out: This date starts both clocks at once — your ten days to file the seller notice, and the buyer's thirty before a late title transfer fee attaches to their application. Post-dating it to be helpful moves both.
2	YOU	BUYER'S PRINTED NAME	The first line of the buyer's half of the block. Their legal name, printed, not their signature. Watch out: Copy it off the licence they are showing you, not off the message thread. DMV links every record to a customer number that is keyed to the name it holds, and a shortened first name here is a query letter later.
3	YOU	BUYER'S ADDRESS	The line directly underneath. Street, city, state and ZIP of the person taking the car. Watch out: You need this twice — here, and again on the seller notice, which asks for the buyer's name and address specifically. Get it once, in writing, while they are still standing in front of you.
4	YOU	ODOMETER READING (NO TENTHS)	The shorter left-hand cell under the date. Whole miles as the dash shows them. Watch out: No tenths is printed in the label and DMV means it. If the display is blank note that the odometer is not readable; if it is stuck, give the reading and note that the mileage is not actual; if it has rolled past its digits, write what it shows and note that it has rolled over. A brand of not readable or not actual can never be taken off the title again.
5	YOU	The two statements beside the reading	Two tick boxes: stated mileage is in EXCESS of mechanical limits, and the odometer reading is NOT the actual mileage — WARNING, ODOMETER DISCREPANCY. Watch out: Both stay empty on an ordinary sale, which is what the sample shows. The certification above them only holds if neither is ticked, and ticking one when it is not true is the Class C felony the reverse of the title warns about.
6	YOU	SELLER'S PRINTED NAME	The first of three identical rows under the heading “All owners shown on the front of this title, who are releasing their interest, must sign.” Watch out: Print it as the front of the title has it. If the front shows two names and only one is here, the other owner owes DMV a separate release or bill of sale before the transfer can be processed.
7	YOU	SIGNATURE	The right-hand half of the same row, marked with an X. This is the signature that certifies the odometer disclosure and releases your interest in one stroke, as the block's own heading says. Watch out: Original wet ink. Hand-printing is fine — the handbook says the signature does not have to be in cursive and an X counts as an owner's mark — but a photocopy is not accepted on any Oregon release except a secure disclosure or a secure power of attorney.
8	OTHER	The second and third owner rows	Two more printed-name-and-signature pairs, for a title issued in more than one name. Watch out: Empty on a one-owner sale and that is correct. Do not let a buyer sign here to save time — these rows are for people releasing interest, and a buyer signing one is exactly the alteration the margin warns voids the certificate.

#	WHO	BOX	WHAT GOES IN IT
9	YOU	SELLER'S ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM FRONT OF TITLE)	A full-width line under the three owner rows, completed only where you have moved since the title was issued. Watch out: If it matches the front, leave it. If you have moved, this is the line DMV reads, and it is separate from the address change you would make on the front of the title when you are keeping the car.
10	BUYER	BUYER'S PRINTED NAME, under the odometer acknowledgement	Below a line reading "I am aware of the above odometer disclosure made by the seller/agent." The buyer's name, printed again. Watch out: The handbook requires at least one buyer to print and sign here, and it is the half of the disclosure sellers forget to ask for. A reading with nobody acknowledging it is not a completed disclosure.
11	BUYER	The buyer's SIGNATURE	Beside their printed name, on the X. That is the last mark made on the certificate in a private sale. Watch out: Get it before they drive off. Chasing a stranger for one signature on a document you have already handed over is the single most common way an Oregon private sale stalls.
12	BUYER	Security Interest Holder to be recorded and shown on new title	The LIEN block at the foot of the reverse: the name and address of whoever is lending the buyer the money. Watch out: This is the buyer's lender, not yours. Your lender releases on the front of the sheet. If the buyer fills this in, the new title is posted to their lender and the buyer gets only a registration card, which is worth telling them before they start ringing DMV about a missing envelope.
13	YOU	Before any of it: read the front and leave it alone	The front carries the title number, the issue date, the vehicle, the owner, an odometer reading from the last transfer, a SURVIVORSHIP box and a red-outlined TITLE BRANDS box. Watch out: Two things to check rather than write. If the TITLE BRANDS box says anything other than NONE, say so in the advert, because it travels with the car forever. And if the front still shows a security interest holder, the sale cannot go ahead until they have released it on that same face.
14	YOU	After both signatures: the seller notice	Not on the certificate at all. Ten days, at DMV2U.Oregon.gov, on Form 735-6890, or on the back of your registration card. Watch out: The reverse of your own title prints the deadline under SELLER NOTICE, which is the last place anyone looks. Do it the evening of the sale while the buyer's address is still in front of you.

Six things to know before the pen touches the security paper

- **Blue or black ink** — The bill of sale prints it as a note above the boxes, and every other Oregon form assumes it. Pencil is not a document.
- **Never white out, never strike through** — The same note bars both, and the certificate's margins say VOID IF ALTERED OR ERASED on their own account. A wrong name is fixed with Form 735-502, not with a pen.
- **Original signatures, not photocopies** — Chapter E requires the original release to accompany a transaction, and allows a carbon copy of exactly two documents — a Secure Odometer Disclosure and a Secure Power of Attorney.
- **Whole miles, no tenths** — Printed inside the label on the certificate, on the 735-226 and on the salvage application. A reading with a decimal in it is a discrepancy waiting to be recorded.
- **Your name as DMV holds it** — Every Oregon record hangs off a customer number tied to a name. The handbook's instruction is to always use your customer number and the same name with DMV.
- **Read the line above the signature** — Most of these forms carry it: knowingly making a false statement on an application for title or registration is a Class A misdemeanour under ORS 803.070 and 803.075.

OREGON VEHICLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

OREGON DRIVER AND MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICES CERTIFIES THE PARTY IS LISTED AS OWNER OF THE DESCRIBED VEHICLE. DOCUMENTS FILED WITH DMV SHOW THE VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO THE OWNERSHIP INTERESTS SPECIFIED.

CONTROL NUMBER

XXXXXXX

TITLE NUMBER

ISSUE DATE

EQUIPMENT NUMBER

YEAR

MAKE

STYLE

MODEL

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

SURVIVORSHIP

OWNER/LESSEE

ODOMETER READING

ODOMETER DATE

ODOMETER MESSAGE

SecureScan® - 3 (r. 6)

VOID

TITLE BRANDS

The title "Brand" printed below indicates the history, condition, or circumstances of the vehicle for which this title has been issued. Please see back of title for more information.

SAMPLE

USE THIS SECTION WHEN THE ONLY CHANGE IS TO REMOVE A SECURITY INTEREST. FOR ANY OTHER CHANGES, SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE.

If there is no change in owners as shown above AND all security interest holders have released interest, one registered owner must sign and date here, if not completing a separate application for title. In addition, if your address has changed, cross out the old address and write the new address and county of residence on the front of the title. Mail the title and the fee to: DMV, 1905 Lana Ave NE, Salem OR 97314.

SIGNATURE (DOES NOT RELEASE INTEREST)

DATE

X

To release interest in the vehicle, complete the reassignment on back of the title.

SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER/LESSOR

SIGNATURE AND COUNTERSIGNATURE OF SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER OR LESSOR RELEASING ALL INTEREST

DATE

X

SIGNATURE AND COUNTERSIGNATURE OF SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER OR LESSOR RELEASING ALL INTEREST

DATE

X

SEE REVERSE OF TITLE FOR APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS.

VOID WITHOUT CHAIN LINK WATERMARK

**THIS TITLE IS THE OWNERSHIP DOCUMENT FOR YOUR VEHICLE. KEEP IT IN A SAFE PLACE.
DO NOT KEEP IT IN YOUR VEHICLE.**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

A separate application must be completed by the new owner(s) when there is a transfer of ownership (except for releasing a lien). Applications are available by calling (503) 945-5000, or in the Portland area call (503) 299-9999, at any DMV office and at: www.oregondmv.com. Mail your completed application, title and fee to: **DMV, 1905 Lana Ave NE, Salem OR 97314**. **NOTE:** If joint registered owners request survivorship, the title shows "Y" in the 1st position of the Survivor Box. If the joint security interest holders request survivorship, the title shows "Y" in the 2nd position. "N" means no survivorship was requested. Survivorship means there is joint ownership or joint tenancy on the vehicle.

Federal and state laws require that you (seller and buyer) state a vehicle's mileage when there is a transfer of ownership on vehicles model year 2011 or newer, until that vehicle is 20 years old or older. Failure to complete an odometer disclosure or providing a false statement may result in fines, imprisonment or both. Under Oregon law, the offense of submitting a false odometer disclosure is a Class C felony (ORS 815.430). **Oregon law requires that an application for transfer of title be submitted to DMV within 30 days of the date you buy a vehicle. Failure to do so within 30 days may result in a late title transfer fee of up to \$50.**

SELLER NOTICE

ORS 803.112 requires a vehicle seller to notify DMV within 10 days of selling the vehicle.

Submit a seller notice to DMV:

- At DMV2U.Oregon.gov;
- Using a Notice of Sale or Transfer of a Vehicle (DMV Form 735-6890); or
- Completing the back of the registration card.

REASSIGNMENT

I certify the vehicle described has been transferred to the following (signature certifies to odometer disclosure and releases interest in vehicle):

DATE OF SALE OR TRANSFER

BUYER'S PRINTED NAME

BUYER'S ADDRESS

ODOMETER READING (NO TENTHS)

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the odometer reading is the actual mileage of the vehicle **UNLESS** one of the following statements is checked:

- ☐ Stated mileage is in **EXCESS** of mechanical limits.
☐ The odometer reading is **NOT** the actual mileage.
WARNING - ODOMETER DISCREPANCY

All owners shown on the front of this title, who are releasing their interest, must sign.

SELLER'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

X

SELLER'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

X

SELLER'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

X

SELLER'S ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM FRONT OF TITLE)

I am aware of the above odometer disclosure made by the seller/agent.

BUYER'S PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

X

LIEN

Security Interest Holder to be recorded and shown on new title:

SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER'S NAME

SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER'S ADDRESS

TITLE BRANDS

A title brand might not list the amount of damage to a vehicle, if or how it was repaired, or if it had a safety inspection.

A title brand from another state will list the state (e.g. "BRANDED WA" or "FLOOD CA").

REASSIGNMENT	I certify the vehicle described has been transferred to the following (signature certifies to odometer disclosure and releases interest in vehicle):	
	DATE OF SALE OR TRANSFER 08/14/2026	BUYER'S PRINTED NAME <i>Odalys M. Ferreira</i>
		BUYER'S ADDRESS <i>3120 NE Glisan St, Portland, OR 97232</i>
	ODOMETER READING (NO TENTHS) 92415	I certify to the best of my knowledge that the odometer reading is the actual mileage of the vehicle UNLESS one of the following statements is checked: ☐ Stated mileage is in EXCESS of mechanical limits. ☐ The odometer reading is NOT the actual mileage. WARNING - ODOMETER DISCREPANCY
	All owners shown on the front of this title, who are releasing their interest, must sign.	
	SELLER'S PRINTED NAME <i>Thaddeus R. Kolbeck</i>	SIGNATURE <i>Thaddeus Kolbeck</i>
	SELLER'S PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE X
	SELLER'S PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE X
	SELLER'S ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM FRONT OF TITLE)	
	I am aware of the above odometer disclosure made by the seller/agent.	
BUYER'S PRINTED NAME <i>Odalys M. Ferreira</i>		
SIGNATURE <i>Odalys Ferreira</i>		
LIEN	Security Interest Holder to be recorded and shown on new title:	
	SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER'S NAME	
	SECURITY INTEREST HOLDER'S ADDRESS	

TITLE BRAND

Every rule here is transcribed from Oregon DMV Title & Registration Handbook, Chapter F: Ownership Documents (revised 07/01/26) and the Oregon Department of Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division's own pages. Plain-language help with a form, not legal advice — where our wording and the agency's differ, theirs governs.