



South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles Request for Vehicle Information

5027-A
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Purpose of this form: This form is to be used to request information for vehicles titled or registered in the State of South Carolina.

Completing this form: This form must be completed in its entirety, legibly printed or typed.

Section A: Complete the requestor's information. Check the box that applies and complete the section below.

Section B: Provide as much search information as possible about the record(s) you are requesting.

Section C: Check one or more of the boxes to indicate the type of information you wish to receive. Calculate the total fee and enter the total amount due.

Section D: Identify permissible use(s) or reason(s) for request.

Section E: Owner consent; Certify that all statements are true and accurate.

Section F: Permissible use certification; must print, sign, and date.

How to submit this form: Submit this form along with all required document(s) and fees to the SCDMV, Vehicle Research, PO Box 1498, Blythewood, SC 29016-0024, by mail-in only.

*** REQUIRED INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

NOTE: The address provided below is where the information from DMV will be mailed.

A REQUESTOR INFORMATION	
Check applicable box and attach appropriate document(s): ☒ Vehicle Owner (requesting own information) ☐ Law Enforcement Officer (law enforcement ID and letterhead request) ☐ Party Involved in Legal Proceedings ☐ Lienholder ☐ Law Office ☐ Government Agency ☐ Other (with owner's consent see part E) ☐ Insurance Company	
Requestor's Full Legal Name:	First Name: Delphine Middle Initial: R Last Name: Ravenel Suffix: Account No.: (with DMV)
Business Name: (If applicable)	Company/Entity/Agency Name FEIN (If applicable)
Mailing Address:	Street No.: 214 Street Name: Meeting House Rd Apt/Suite No.: City: Summerville State: SC Zip Code: 29483
Email Address:	d.ravenel@example.com Telephone No.: (843) 555-0146
B SUBJECT INFORMATION (Provide as much search information as possible about the record(s) you are requesting)	
Vehicle Owner Full Legal Name:	First Name: Delphine Middle Initial: R Last Name: Ravenel Suffix: Date of Birth:
Residence Address:	Street No.: 214 Street Name: Meeting House Rd Apt/Suite No.: City: Summerville State: SC Zip Code: 29483
Vehicle Identification No. (VIN):	5FNYF6H52HB412907
Year:	2017 Make: Honda Model: Pilot Tag Number: KTR 419 Placard Number:
C INFORMATION REQUESTED (Check one or more of the boxes to indicate the type of information you wish to receive and calculate the total fee)	
Check one or more boxes:	Fees:
☐ Current Insurance*	\$10.00
☐ Current Vehicles by Customer	\$10.00
☐ Placard / Golf Cart Information	\$10.00
☐ Current Title Information	\$10.00
☐ Current Plate Information	\$10.00
☐ Plate History	\$10.00
☒ Title History	\$10.00
☐ Title History with Supporting Documents (Cite the specific documents needed in the blank space provided in Section D.)	\$10.00
Total Due: 90.00	

*The insurance information provided in this report is the most recent information in our records but may not reflect actual current coverage.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SC DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES. CASH IS NOT ACCEPTED.



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D PERMISSIBLE USE(S)/REASON FOR REQUEST

Under Federal Law (18 USC, Chapter 123) personal vehicle owner information may be obtained only for certain uses. If you are submitting this form to obtain someone else's record, please refer to the Federal Law which defines the following as permissible uses of vehicle information.

Check all that apply:

- ☐ For use by any government agency in carrying out its functions.
- ☐ For business to verify the accuracy of personal information given to that business or its agents by an individual.
- ☐ For use in connection with any court proceeding or investigation in anticipation of litigation.
- ☐ For use by an insurer for claims investigation, rating or underwriting
- ☐ Use by any customer, if the customer has the written consent of the individual to whom the information pertains.

**** (OWNER MUST COMPLETE PART E) ****

Please cite the specific documents needed from the title history in the section below.

E OWNER CONSENT: (ONLY NEEDED IF "OTHER" IS CHECKED IN PART A)

I, _____ give consent for the release of my personal information to the person shown above.

Signature of Person Giving Consent

Date

F PERMISSIBLE USE CERTIFICATION

Under penalty of perjury, I state that I am entitled to receive and use this information as permitted under the Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994 (18 USC, Chapter 123 as amended). I further acknowledge that if I misuse this information or give it to someone who uses it for an unauthorized purpose, I may be subject to Federal criminal law as well as a civil lawsuit where the minimum award is \$5,000.00.

HOW TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE FEDERAL DRIVER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT, 18 USC, CHAPTER 123:

Most public libraries have copies of the United States Code. 18 USC, Chapter 123 can also be found on the internet (from your home or at the library) by going through the Cornell Law School Website. At the time this form was printed, the address was:

www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode. The Driver Privacy Protection Act can be found at:

http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/html/uscode18/usc_sec_18_00002721----000-.html

South Carolina and federal law dictate that motor vehicle and driver's license records maintained by the SCDMV may be disclosed in certain situations. For further details on the disclosure of personal information and the types of information disclosed, go to the SCDMV website: dmv.sc.gov/privacy.

Requestor's Printed Name: Delphine R. Ravenel

Requestor's Signature: Delphine R. Ravenel

Date: 11/20/2026

How to fill out 5027-A — Request for Vehicle Information

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How a South Carolina seller finds out whether the buyer ever went to a branch. Filing a Notice of Vehicle Sold gets you no confirmation number and no letter back, so if the car is still showing in your name months later this is the way to look. Six sections, eight priced options at \$10.00 each, and a page of federal permissible uses that decides whether the request is answered at all.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank 5027-A from the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles at https://dmv.sc.gov/sites/scdmv/files/2026-01/5027-A_1.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	Section A, tick Vehicle Owner	The first box - vehicle owner requesting own information - then your own name, mailing address, email and phone. Watch out: The address you write here is where the SCDMV posts the answer. The note above Section A says so explicitly, so a forwarding address rather than the one on the record is worth a second look.
2	YOU	Section B, the vehicle	The owner's name as the record holds it, then the VIN, year, make, model and tag number of the car. Watch out: The VIN does the work. A tag number on its own is a weaker key in South Carolina than in most states, because the plate follows the owner and may already be on another vehicle.
3	YOU	Section C, pick the record	Eight boxes at \$10.00 each. Title History shows the chain; Current Title Information shows only who holds it today. Watch out: If the question is whether the buyer ever titled it, the history is the answer and the snapshot is not. Two boxes costs twice as much, and there is no discount for asking for both.
4	YOU	Section D, the federal ground	One of five permissible uses under the Driver's Privacy Protection Act. Watch out: Read the five before ticking. A seller establishing what happened to their own record is on different ground from a seller who wants to know where the buyer now lives, and the second one needs that person's written consent.
5	YOU	Section E, usually empty	The consent block, needed only where OTHER was ticked in Section A. Watch out: It stays blank on a request about your own record. Filling it in with your own signature where you have already ticked Vehicle Owner reads as confusion and slows the request down.
6	YOU	Section F, sign and date	Printed name, signature and date under the perjury declaration. Watch out: The paragraph above the line warns of federal criminal liability and a civil suit with a minimum award of \$5,000.00 for misusing what comes back. It is a records request, but it is a sworn one.
7	YOU	Post it, do not take it in	A cheque, not cash, to SC Department of Motor Vehicles, and the whole thing to Vehicle Research, PO Box 1498, Blythewood, SC 29016-0024. Watch out: The form says mail-in only. A branch counter cannot process it, so a trip there is a wasted morning.

What gets this one rejected

- Cash in the envelope. The form says make checks payable to SC Department of Motor Vehicles and that cash is not accepted, in capitals.
- No box ticked in Section D. The federal grounds are a closed list and a request that does not sit inside one of them is not answered.
- OTHER ticked in Section A with Section E left blank. Consent-based access needs the consent, signed by the person the record is about.
- A title history with supporting documents requested and no documents named. The eighth box points at the blank line under Section D and the line has to say which ones.
- A partial section. The instruction at the top is that the form must be completed in its entirety, legibly printed or typed.
- Handed in at a branch. The submission line says by mail-in only, to Vehicle Research at the Blythewood post box.

☐ Amber is what you write ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes The filled-in example is at the start of this sheet.

Read off 5027-A (01/2026) and the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.

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