



TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Application for Salvage or Non-Repairable Certificate

RV- F1311801 (Rev. 1-21)

PURPOSE: A "Salvage Vehicle" is a passenger motor vehicle which has been wrecked, destroyed, or damaged to the extent that the repair costs would exceed 75% of the retail value of the vehicle. A "Non-repairable vehicle" is a passenger motor vehicle which is incapable of safe operation for use on roads or highways and which has no resale value, except as a source for parts or scrap (Tenn. Code Ann. § 55-3-201). After the vehicle has been deemed a total loss and a total loss claim has been paid, the insurance company or owner must obtain a Salvage or Non-Repairable Certificate by submitting this application. These certificates of title serve only to establish ownership of the vehicle. No vehicle deemed as Salvage or Non-repairable can be registered in or operate on the roads and highways of the state of Tennessee. A vehicle that receives a Salvage Certificate may be rebuilt to be road worthy, but must first go through the Rebuilt Vehicle process. There is no cost to obtain a Salvage/Non-Repairable Certificate.

INSTRUCTIONS: Mail the completed application and following supporting documentation to the TN Dept. of Revenue, Vehicle Services Division, 500 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37242:

- ☐ Current title, properly assigned or proof of ownership documents
- ☐ Power of Attorney (only required if someone other than the vehicle owner is submitting the application)
- ☐ Odometer Disclosure Statement (only required for vehicles with a manufacture year 2011 or newer)

QUESTIONS: Call 615-741-3101 or submit an online ticket via "Revenue Help" at www.tn.gov/revenue

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Application is for (check one): ☒ Tennessee Salvage Certificate ☐ Tennessee Non-repairable Certificate

Name: Loretta J. Bramblett

Email: l.bramblett@example.com Phone: (865) 555-0173

Physical Address: 1418 Cruze Hollow Rd, Maryville, TN 37803

Mailing Address (if different):

B. VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Year: 2014 Vehicle Make: Chevrolet Vehicle Model: Equinox LT

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):

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Current Odometer Reading: 118420

Previous Title #/State: 88027451 / TN

Vehicle Condition: ☐ Total Loss ☒ Flood Damaged

Purchase date: 03/28/2026

C. INSURANCE INFORMATION (this section only required if application is being made by an insurance company)

Lot #:

Policy #:

D. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

I, the undersigned applicant, hereby certify statements made herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Fraudulent statements made in this application could result in denial of this request and subject the signatory to criminal and civil penalties.

Loretta J. Bramblett

04/06/2026

Signature of Owner/Representative/Power of Attorney

Date

How to fill out RV-F1311801 — Application for Tennessee Salvage or Non-Repairable Certificate

Tennessee · written against RV-F1311801 (Rev 1-21), issued under Tenn. Code Ann. 55-3-201

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Where a badly damaged car stops being a car with a title and becomes a thing with a certificate. Two very different outcomes on one sheet: a salvage certificate, which can be rebuilt back onto the road through an inspection process, and a non-repairable certificate, which cannot - it is parts or scrap and the vehicle never comes back. The form is free to file and it is the ticks at the top that decide which of those you get.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank RV-F1311801 from the Tennessee Department of Revenue at <https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/revenue/documents/forms/titlereg/f1311801Fill-in.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	Salvage or non-repairable	One tick at the top of block A, and it is the most consequential mark on the form. Watch out: Salvage keeps a route back to the road through the rebuilt process. Non-repairable does not, and no later application undoes it.
2	YOU	Block A, who is applying	Name, email, phone and physical address, with a mailing address if it differs. Watch out: The certificate comes back by post, so the mailing address is the one that matters. This is a Nashville transaction, not a counter one.
3	YOU	The vehicle, and the seventeen cells	Year, make and model, then the vehicle identification number one character per printed box. Watch out: Write it from the title, then check it against the dash plate. A salvage record attaches to the number, and the wrong number brands a stranger's car.
4	YOU	Odometer and previous title	The current reading, and the number and state of the title being surrendered. Watch out: For a model year 2011 or newer vehicle an Odometer Disclosure Statement goes in the envelope as well - it is the third line of the instruction list.
5	YOU	Condition and purchase date	Total loss or flood damaged, and the date you acquired the vehicle. Watch out: Flood is a brand in its own right in Tennessee and it follows the vehicle. Ticking total loss on a flooded car understates what the next owner needs to know.
6	YOU	Sign, and post the whole envelope	Block D, then the application with the assigned title and any power of attorney to the Vehicle Services Division. Watch out: Section C stays empty unless an insurance company is applying. If the insurer has taken the car, it is their application and a different form governs the case where you never sent the title back.

What gets this one rejected

- Both certificate boxes ticked, or neither. They are opposite outcomes and one of them is irreversible.
- A vehicle identification number that does not fill the cells. Seventeen printed boxes, one character in each, and a run-on entry is unreadable to the clerk who keys it.
- No title enclosed. The instruction list opens with the current title, properly assigned, or proof of ownership documents.
- A 2011 or newer vehicle with no odometer disclosure. It is the third item on the same list.
- An application signed by somebody other than the owner with no power of attorney behind it.
- Expecting to drive it afterwards. The purpose paragraph says no vehicle deemed salvage or non-repairable can be registered in or operate on the roads and highways of Tennessee.

☒ 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 RV-F1311801 (Rev 1-21) and the Tennessee Department of Revenue'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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