



## SALVAGE CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

VSA 56 (07/01/2020)

**Purpose:** Use this form to apply for a salvage certificate and/or to report water damage to a vehicle.

**Instructions:** Submit the completed application with the estimated cost of repairs to the Vehicle Branding Work Center at the above address.

| OWNER INFORMATION                                    |                                        |                         |                   |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| OWNER FULL LEGAL NAME (last)<br>Threadgill           | (first)<br>Marcus                      | (middle)<br>D           | (suffix)          |
| SSN, FEIN OR VA DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER<br>B27750914 | TELEPHONE NUMBER<br>( ) (757) 555-0163 | DEALER/REBUILDER NUMBER |                   |
| OWNER STREET ADDRESS<br>908 Beechwood Loop           | CITY<br>Franklin                       | STATE<br>VA             | ZIP CODE<br>23851 |
| CO-OWNER FULL LEGAL NAME (last)                      | (first)                                | (middle)                | (suffix)          |
| SSN, FEIN OR VA DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER              | EMAIL ADDRESS                          |                         |                   |

| LIEN INFORMATION                 |                                                                                                                                    |                        |                 |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Is there a lien on this vehicle? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES - Complete this section.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO - Go to SOURCE INFORMATION section | LIEN DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) | LIENHOLDER NAME |
| LIENHOLDER MAILING ADDRESS       | CITY                                                                                                                               | STATE                  | ZIP CODE        |

| SOURCE INFORMATION                                  |                                  |                               |                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| VEHICLE PURCHASED FROM<br>Tidewater Auto Exchange   | SALE PRICE<br>\$8,900.00         | SALES AND USE TAX<br>\$369.35 | PURCHASE DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)<br>04/02/2022 |
| STREET ADDRESS<br>1710 Armory Dr                    | CITY<br>Franklin                 | STATE<br>VA                   | ZIP CODE<br>23851                        |
| CURRENT TITLE ISSUE DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)<br>04/11/2022 | CURRENT TITLE NUMBER<br>68820491 | STATE<br>VA                   |                                          |

| VEHICLE INFORMATION                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                    |                                           |                                                    |               |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Check box and enter name of city, county or town where vehicle is principally garaged.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CITY <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY <input type="checkbox"/> TOWN of Franklin |                                                    |                                           | VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER<br>5N1AN0NW5CC521734 |               |           |
| YEAR<br>2012                                                                                                                                                                                                 | MAKE<br>Nissan                                     | MODEL<br>Xterra                           | BODY TYPE<br>SW                                    | VEHICLE COLOR |           |
| EMPTY WEIGHT<br>4,315                                                                                                                                                                                        | GROSS WEIGHT<br>5,700                              | NUMBER OF AXLES<br>2                      | FUEL TYPE<br>Gas                                   | PRIMARY       | SECONDARY |
| ACTUAL CASH VALUE (if required)<br>\$7,150.00                                                                                                                                                                | ESTIMATED REPAIRS COST (if required)<br>\$9,480.00 | PERCENT OF DAMAGE (if required)<br>133%   | VEHICLE ACQUIRED DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)<br>07/24/2026   |               |           |
| INSURANCE COMPANY NAME<br>Shenandoah Valley Mutual Insurance                                                                                                                                                 | INSURANCE CODE NUMBER<br>18402                     | INSURANCE CLAIM NUMBER<br>SVM-2026-441907 | CLAIM PAYMENT DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)<br>07/24/2026      |               |           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATER DAMAGE CLAIM OF \$3,500 OR MORE HAS BEEN PAID BY THE INSURANCE COMPANY                                                                                             |                                                    |                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> STOLEN VEHICLE            |               |           |

| ODOMETER READING                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| ODOMETER READING (no tenths)<br>104882                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Federal and state law requires that you state the mileage in connection with the transfer of ownership. Failure to complete the statement or providing a false statement may result in fines and/or imprisonment. |
| To the best of my knowledge the odometer reading is the actual mileage of the vehicle unless one of the following statements is checked:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The mileage stated is in excess of its mechanical limits. <input type="checkbox"/> The model year is at least 10 years or older than the current calendar year and was exempt from odometer disclosure in the prior state of title. (Applicant must present the out-of-state title showing the exemption).<br><input type="checkbox"/> The odometer reading is not the actual mileage. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

| DMV USE ONLY                                                       |  |            |  |
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| REASON HELD                                                        |  | SALE PRICE |  |
|                                                                    |  | TAX        |  |
| NCIC CHECK                                                         |  | TITLE FEE  |  |
| WITH LIEN <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |  | TOTAL      |  |

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| PARTS REPAIRED/REPLACED (Required) |                                           |                          |                                                   |                          |                                        |                          |                                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| REPAIRED                           | REPLACED                                  | REPAIRED                 | REPLACED                                          | REPAIRED                 | REPLACED                               | REPAIRED                 | REPLACED                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Front Bumper     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Left Front Door          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Trunk         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Air Bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Grill            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Right Front Door         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rear Bumper   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dash     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hood             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Left Rear Door           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dash Pad |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Radiator Support | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Right Rear Door          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Engine        |                          |                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Left Fender      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Left Rear Quarter Panel  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Transmission  |                          |                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Right Fender     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Right Rear Quarter Panel | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Frame/Unibody |                          |                                   |

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|---------------------------|--|
| List other damaged parts: |  |
|---------------------------|--|

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| Water Damaged or Not Listed: | SPECIFY REPAIRS |
|------------------------------|-----------------|

If you have replaced a Pickup Cab or Frame, vehicle is reconstructed and may need to be assigned a new Vehicle Identification Number.

### SALVAGE EXAM EXEMPTION

This section must be completed when applying for a rebuilt certificate of title without an examination. An examination is not required for applicants who meet the following conditions:

- The person rebuilding the vehicle has been licensed under chapter (46.2-1605) for at least 10 years and has not had any penalties pursuant to the provisions of this chapter
- The rebuilt vehicle is at least 10 years old but does not qualify as an antique motor vehicle
- The resale value is less than \$10,000

All of the above conditions must be met in order to obtain a rebuilt title without an examination. Please complete the following for each license type you currently possess.

| Business Type                                      | License Number | Established Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Salvage Dealer            |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rebulider                 |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demolisher                |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Recycler             |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scrap Metal Processor     |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Salvage Pool              |                |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Removal Processor |                |                               |

Rebuilt Vehicle Resale Value:

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The information requested on an application for salvage certificate, in accordance with Virginia Code § 46.2-1603 (salvage certificate), as amended, is subject to dissemination to authorized agencies or individuals. Any person who refuses to supply the required information will be denied a salvage certificate. All salvage certificate records in the office of the Department of Motor Vehicles are privileged records subject to such regulations as the Commissioner may adopt. Copies of administrative rules and regulations are available from the Department of Motor Vehicles, Post Office Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001. This information is furnished to you in compliance with Virginia Code § 2.2-3806.

### CERTIFICATION

All owners must sign. Giving misinformation with fraudulent intent is punishable as provided by law. Any person who falsely states the selling price or evades payment of tax shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

I/We hereby make application for a Salvage Certificate for the vehicle described herein and I/we further certify and affirm that all information presented in this form is true and correct, that any documents I/we have presented to DMV are genuine, and that the information included in all supporting documentation is true and accurate. I/we make this certification and affirmation under penalty of perjury and I/we understand that knowingly making a false statement or representation on this form is a criminal violation.

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT | DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) |
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# How to fill out VSA 56 — Salvage Certificate Application

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Virginia · written against VSA 56 (07/01/2020), issued under Va. Code 46.2-1603

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What replaces a certificate of title when a vehicle has been damaged past the point where Virginia will keep calling it a car. It applies for a salvage certificate and it doubles as the way water damage gets reported. Two pages, a parts checklist that has to be completed, and a valuation triangle - actual cash value, estimated repairs cost and percent of damage - that decides what the vehicle becomes.

**This sheet is not the form.** Download the blank VSA 56 from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/sites/default/files/forms/vsa56.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 | Owner information     | Name across four boxes, identification number, telephone and address, with the dealer or rebuilder number left blank by a private owner. <b>Watch out:</b> Email is asked for on the co-owner line rather than the owner's. It is worth giving anyway - branding decisions come back in writing. |
| 2 | YOU | Lien information      | Yes or no, and the no branch says go to source information. <b>Watch out:</b> A written-off car with a loan still on it is the lender's problem before it is yours. They will need to release the lien before a salvage certificate issues.                                                      |
| 3 | YOU | Source information    | Who you bought it from, what you paid, the tax, the date, and the current title's issue date and number. <b>Watch out:</b> This is history, not the loss. It is asking how you came to own the vehicle, not what the insurer has offered.                                                        |
| 4 | YOU | Vehicle information   | Garaging locality, VIN, year, make, model, body type, colours, weights, axles and fuel. <b>Watch out:</b> Two colour boxes, primary and secondary. A single-colour car uses the first and leaves the second.                                                                                     |
| 5 | YOU | The valuation row     | Actual cash value, estimated repairs cost and percent of damage, each marked if required. <b>Watch out:</b> The estimate has to come with the form. Without it the row is unsupported and the application is incomplete.                                                                         |
| 6 | YOU | Insurance details     | Company, code number, claim number and claim payment date. <b>Watch out:</b> The claim number is how DMV cross-checks the loss with the insurer. Get it off the settlement letter rather than from memory.                                                                                       |
| 7 | YOU | The water damage tick | Marked where a water damage claim of \$3,500 or more has been paid by the insurance company. <b>Watch out:</b> It is a threshold and a fact, not an impression. A paid claim under that figure does not get this tick.                                                                           |

### What gets this one rejected

- Leaving the parts grid empty. Its heading carries the word Required in brackets and it is the substance of the application.
- Filing it with no estimated cost of repairs. The instruction at the top says to submit the completed application with the estimated cost of repairs.
- Ticking the water damage box below the threshold. It is specific: a claim of \$3,500 or more paid by the insurance company.
- Reaching for the salvage exam exemption as a private owner. All three of its conditions have to be met and the first is a trade licence held for at least 10 years.
- Using the age-based odometer exception without an out-of-state title. Even here, Virginia's exemption depends on a prior state's title showing it.
- One owner signing where the certificate names two. The certification block is headed all owners must sign.

☐ 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 VSA 56 (07/01/2020) and the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a form, [sellmycarhub.com](https://sellmycarhub.com) not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.