



Bonded Title or Three-Year Registration Without Title Affidavit

1	Plate/Tab/Decal or Registration number C74318M	Vehicle identification number (VIN) or Vessel hull identification number (HIN) F10YRH21563	
2	Model Year 1978	Make Ford	Model F-150
			Previous titling/registering jurisdiction Washington

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4 I am applying for: (check one) ☒ Bonded Washington title (attach a copy of the bond)
☐ Three-year registration without title

because satisfactory evidence of ownership for the above described vehicle or vessel is unavailable. RCW 46.12.680, WAC 308-56A-210 and WAC 308-93-440

I understand and agree that an unrestricted title will not be issued for a period of three years. If there are no claims contesting my ownership to this vehicle within three years of the date of this application, an unrestricted title will be issued to the legal owner upon proper application.

I certify I am the rightful owner of this vehicle/vessel having obtained ownership from the last rightful owner. The circumstances under which I obtained ownership and the reasons satisfactory evidence of ownership is unavailable are:

I bought this truck in June 2018 from Wendell Sorsby of Deer Park, who told me the certificate had been lost years earlier and that he would apply for a replacement. He died in 2021. I have written twice to the address on the handwritten receipt he gave me and both letters came back. There is no lienholder on the department record and no estate has been opened. The truck has been on my own land since the day I bought it.

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7 **Rosalind T. Vandermeer**

PRINT or TYPE Applicant name

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X

Rosalind Vandermeer

Signature

Date

X

Signature

Date

Notarization/Certification — You don't need your signature notarized if you sign in front of a WA vehicle licensing agent, who can certify your signature.

State of _____ County of _____

Signed or attested before me on _____ by _____
Name of person(s) signing this document

(Seal or stamp)

Notary/Agent/Subagent signature

Notary printed or stamped name

Title _____ and _____
Dealer or county/office number or notary expiration date

How to fill out 420-008 — Bonded Title or Three-Year Registration Without Title Affidavit

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What you file when there is no way to prove you own the vehicle. Washington calls it ownership in doubt, and it offers two answers on one sheet: a bonded certificate of ownership, which needs a surety bond attached, or three years of registration with no certificate at all. Either way the vehicle carries the doubt on its record for three years before the department will issue an unrestricted title.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank 420-008 from the Washington State Department of Licensing at <https://dol.wa.gov/sites/default/files/forms/420008.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	What you have to identify the vehicle	Plate, tab, decal or registration number, then the identification number. Watch out: On a vehicle with none of the first four, the identification number alone carries the application - and the department will want it verified before a certificate is issued.
2	YOU	Model year, make and model	Three boxes, and on this form they are often the only description anybody has. Watch out: If you are working from the vehicle rather than from a document, say so in the circumstances block. A guessed model year that contradicts the identification number is a bad start.
3	YOU	Previous titling or registering jurisdiction	Where the vehicle was last on a record. Watch out: Worth researching before you file. A vehicle last titled in another state may have a straightforward route to a certificate there and never need this form.
4	YOU	Bonded title, or three-year registration	One tick, and they are alternatives. Watch out: Bonded gets you a certificate you can sell against now, at the cost of a surety bond. Three-year registration gets you a usable vehicle and no certificate at all - which is no use whatever if the point is to sell it.
5	YOU	The three-year acknowledgement	A printed paragraph accepting that no unrestricted title issues for three years. Watch out: Read it before you tick anything above it. Three years is not a processing time, it is a claim window for anybody who thinks the vehicle is theirs.
6	YOU	The circumstances block	How you obtained ownership, and why satisfactory evidence of it is unavailable. Watch out: Two questions, and both need answering. Explaining how you got the vehicle without explaining why there is no paperwork leaves the more important half blank.
7	YOU	Applicant name, signature and date	Printed name, then the signature and date, with a second block for a joint applicant. Watch out: Everyone who will be on the certificate signs. A bond issued in one name and an application signed by two is a mismatch the agent will catch.
8	YOU	The notarisation block	State, county, date, the name of the person signing, and the notary or agent's details. Watch out: As with the rest of the set, a licensing agent can certify instead of a notary - and since the bond has to be taken to a licensing agent anyway, that is usually the same visit.

What gets this one rejected

- Ticking both boxes. The form says check one, and the two routes have different consequences.
- A bonded title application with no bond attached. The instruction beside the tick is to attach a copy of the bond.
- A circumstances block that says the title was lost. A lost certificate has its own affidavit and is not ownership in doubt.
- Using it for a vehicle the department excludes: an unauthorised vehicle, an abandoned vehicle, a snowmobile, or a Washington vehicle dealer sale.
- Applying where you did not acquire the vehicle from the owner of record or an interim owner - the statute requires it to have come to you by purchase, exchange, gift, lease or inheritance.
- An unwitnessed signature. This is an affidavit and it carries the notarisation block.

☒ 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 420-008 (R/2/18) and the Washington State Department of Licensing'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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