

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Titles & Plates for New Residents

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on Titles & Plates for New Residents, chs. 341 and 342, a proposed guidance document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website:

<https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DMV459>

2. Mailing written comments to:

Division of Motor Vehicles
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
4822 Madison Yards Way
PO Box 7336
Madison, WI 53707-7336

WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsin.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

AGENCY CONTACT

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When you become a Wisconsin resident, you must register your vehicle and get Wisconsin license plates. You are a Wisconsin resident if:

- Your principal residence is in this state
- You pay your income taxes here
- You are registered to vote here

To apply you will need the following items:

- The vehicle title or registration card from your previous state of residence. **Note:** When you submit your previous title, you will receive a Wisconsin title and certificate of registration (in addition to license plates). If you submit only your registration card with the application, you will receive a Wisconsin certificate of registration but will not receive a Wisconsin title. A certificate of registration allows you to operate the vehicle legally, but is not valid for selling

the vehicle. If you later submit your out-of-state title to the DMV, we will issue a Wisconsin title at no additional charge when mailed to the address below.

- Completed and signed Title/License Plate Application form [□ MV1](#).
- [□ Current proof of identity](#), if applying in person at a DMV customer service center or to a [□ DMV agent](#).
- [□ Title fee](#). If you submit your registration card as proof of ownership, Wisconsin law still requires a title fee. If you later submit your out-of-state title to DMV, we will issue a Wisconsin title at no additional charge except [□ counter service fee](#), if applicable.
- [□ Vehicle registration fees](#), based on the type of vehicle. We cannot give credit for unused registration on your previous state's license plate.
- Municipal or county [□ wheel tax](#), if applicable.
- Proof of sales tax paid to your former state of residence if you have owned your vehicle for less than 90 days. Tax paid to another state will be applied to any [□ state or local use tax](#) due.
- Check or money order made payable to: Registration Fee Trust

You may submit the [□ MV1](#) application with the title or registration card and appropriate fees:

- By mail to WisDOT; P.O. Box 7949; Madison, WI 53707-7949. Check our [processing time for DMV products](#) to see the current amount of time it is taking to receive your title or license plates.
- At any [DMV customer service center](#) offering registration service. There is a \$5 counter service fee in addition to title and registration fees.
- At any of our [DMV agent](#) locations. These agents may charge a maximum service fee of \$10 for a renewal transaction and \$19.50 for a title transaction. Some agents accept credit/debit cards or checks. Others will accept only cash and/or checks or money orders.
- At one of our [DMV Temporary License Plate Agents](#). Agents will charge a \$3 temporary plate fee and a service fee up to \$5 in addition to the title and registration fees.

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