## State Of Colorado

### Checklist: Colorado Assigned Vehicle Identification Number

C.R.S. 42-5-110, 42-5-202, 204, 42-6-115, 118, 42-12-202, 203

A vehicle identification number is assigned when a vehicle identification number has been removed, changed, altered, obliterated or the vehicle is manufactured from a kit. Forms can be found online at [DMV.Colorado.gov/forms-and-publications](http://DMV.Colorado.gov/forms-and-publications)

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| **1** | Have the vehicle inspected and the Colorado Certified VIN Inspection completed by a certified Colorado law enforcement officer or P.O.S.T certified inspector (Your local county motor vehicle office can refer you to a P.O.S.T certified inspector in your area). | DR 2704 (will be provided by P.O.S.T certified inspector)  
Inspection must not be over 1 year old.  
Inspection Fee – $50.00 (cash or check only) |
| **2** | If vehicle has proper ownership documents, whether in-state or out-of-state, skip to Step 5.  
If there are no proper ownership documents, perform a record search for in-state and out-of-state vehicles:  
• Request a record search by filling out form DR 2489A Motor Vehicle Requestor Release of Affidavit of Intended Use or by going online to [myDMV.Colorado.gov](http://myDMV.Colorado.gov).  
All out of state vehicles need a record search from the state they are from in addition to the Colorado record search.  
You must attempt to contact by certified or registered mail (return receipt requested) the owner of record as indicated on the record search.  
Record search cannot be over 1 year old.  
**NOTE** A photocopy of the DR 2704 Certified VIN Inspection and additional documents are required to be submitted with this records search request including a DR 2444 Statement of Fact form with the following information:  
• How, when and from whom the vehicle was obtained  
• How much was paid for the vehicle  
• Why applicant is requesting a record search  
Please see online instructions for additional information at [DMV.Colorado.gov/vehicle-record-searches](http://DMV.Colorado.gov/vehicle-record-searches) | Fee – $2.20 per search  
Copy of a DR 2489A for each VIN  
DR 2444 |
| **3** | Contact all owners of record found as a result of the search via certified or registered (return receipt requested) mail:  
• Letter must include  
  • Year, make, VIN  
  • Your intent to title  
  • Your contact information  
  • A request that owner of record indicate his/her intent to keep or release the vehicle  
  • Print out of signature acceptance  
Letter must be returned with proof of delivery via Post Office Return Receipt form (PS 3811) or envelope stamped “Undeliverable” | Copy of letter and certified/registered mail return receipt  
OR  
USPS printout of signature acceptance  
OR  
Printout of signature by delivery company (FedEx, UPS, etc.) |
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| 4    | **4.** If the record search indicates an active lien on the motor vehicle, it must be released. The lien release must be on the lienholder’s letterhead (letterhead is not required if lienholder is an individual). Copies and photos are accepted and must include vehicle year, make, VIN, titled owner’s name(s), agent’s signature, date of lien release and must be signed under penalty of perjury in the second degree as defined in C.R.S. 18-8-503. If an attempt is made to secure an acceptable lien release and the lienholder is not available, the following procedure must be followed:  
   - **Lienholder is not available – filed in Colorado**  
     - A certified or registered letter must be sent to the lienholder’s last known address and be returned as undeliverable. Include this letter with the title application  
     - Contact the state of record and request a lien release. Many states will give a statement of release of lien or lien expired. This statement must be on the state’s letterhead and be submitted with the title application. |
| 5    | **5.** Provide proof of ownership for all other components used in the reconstruction of the vehicle including an original Bill of Sale, invoices or receipts; these must be notarized or signed under penalty of perjury in the second degree.  
   - **Original Certificate of Title properly assigned to the applicant, or**  
   - **Bill of Sale or**  
   - **Original Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (MSO), properly assigned to the applicant, and**  
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| 6    | **6.** Compile photographs of the completed vehicle showing vehicle is roadworthy, including:  
   - Pre-repair photos, if available.  
   - Entire front and driver’s side  
   - Entire rear and passenger’s side.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | DR 2426                                                                   |
<p>| 7    | <strong>7.</strong> Complete form DR 2426 Colorado Assigned Vehicle Identification Number Declaration of Facts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | DR 2426                                                                   |</p>
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| 8    | If the model year is newer than 2011, a secure odometer disclosure is required. If vehicle has no odometer, submit form DR 2444 Statement of Fact explaining why there is no odometer.                                                                                                                                           | DR 2173  
DR 2444                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 9    | Submit form DR 2408 Colorado Assigned Vehicle Identification Number Application with supporting documents listed to the right, to your local county motor vehicle office. All approved applications will be forwarded to the Colorado State Patrol who will contact you for an appointment to physically affix the VIN plate to your vehicle. All supporting documents will be returned to you at that time. If your application indicates that bonding is required for titling your vehicle, you must obtain a bond after your VIN tag has been affixed but before you apply for title.  
Bond should be purchased after assigned ID is affixed otherwise a rider to the bond will be required  
All rejected applications will be returned to you with detailed reasons for rejection. | DR 2408  
DR 2704 (will be provided by P.O.S.T certified inspector)  
DR 2489A for each VIN  
DR 2841  
Copy of Certified letter of notification to owner(s) of record and lienholder, if applicable  
AND  
Proof of delivery or an envelope stamped ‘undeliverable’  
DR 2173  
DR 2444  
Assigned ID fee - $3.50 |