

## VIRGINIA

### **Definitions**

**Antique Motor Vehicle.** Every motor vehicle, as defined in this section, which was actually manufactured or designated by the manufacturer as a model manufactured in a calendar year not less than 25 years prior to January 1 of each calendar year and is owned solely as a collector's item.

**Major Component.** Any one of the following subassemblies of a motor vehicle: (i) front clip assembly, consisting of the fenders, grille, hood, bumper, and related parts; (ii) engine; (iii) transmission; (iv) rear clip assembly, consisting of the quarter panels, floor panels, trunk lid, bumper, and related parts; (v) frame; (vi) air bags; and (vii) any door that displays a vehicle identification number.

**Military Surplus Motor Vehicles.** A MSMV is a multi-purpose or tactical vehicle manufactured by, or under the direction of the United States Armed Forces, for off-road use and subsequently authorized for sale to civilians. This does not include trailers or semi-trailers.

**Reconstructed Vehicle.** Every vehicle of a type required to be registered under this title materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition, or substitution of new or used essential parts. Such vehicles, at the discretion of the Department, shall retain their original vehicle identification number, line-make, and model year. Except as otherwise provided in this title, this definition shall not include a "converted electric vehicle" as defined in this section.

**Replica Vehicle.** Every vehicle of a type required to be registered under this title not fully constructed by a licensed manufacturer but either constructed or assembled from components. Such components may be from a single vehicle, multiple vehicles, a kit, parts, or fabricated components. The kit may be made up of "major components" as defined in § 46.2-1600, a full body, or a full chassis, or a combination of these parts. The vehicle shall resemble a vehicle of distinctive name, line-make, model, or type as produced by a licensed manufacturer or manufacturer no longer in business and is not a reconstructed or specially constructed vehicle as herein defined.

**Specially Constructed Vehicle.** Any vehicle that was not originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of vehicles and not a reconstructed vehicle as herein defined.

**Street Rod.** Modernized private passenger motor vehicles either manufactured prior to 1949 or designed or manufactured to resemble vehicles manufactured prior to 1949.

## **Virginia DMV Guidance**

### **Titling a Reconstructed, Specially Constructed, or Replica Vehicle**

Every person who owns a reconstructed vehicle, specially constructed vehicle, or replica vehicle must obtain a certificate of title and registration for the vehicle before it is operated on any highway. All liens held against the vehicle must be shown on the Virginia title.

#### **Definitions**

##### **Reconstructed Vehicle**

Any vehicle that has been materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition, or substitution of new or used essential parts. (VA Code § 46.2-100)

##### **Specially Constructed Vehicle**

Any vehicle that was not originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of vehicles and which would not be otherwise defined as a reconstructed vehicle. (VA Code § 46.2-100) For example, a vehicle constructed using a Mercury frame and a Chevrolet body.

##### **Replica Vehicle**

Any vehicle not fully constructed by a licensed manufacturer, but either constructed or assembled from components. Such components may be from a single vehicle, multiple vehicles, a kit, parts, or fabricated components. The kit may be made up of major components, a full body, or a full chassis, or a combination of these parts. The vehicle must resemble a vehicle of distinctive name, line-make, model, or type as produced by a licensed manufacturer or manufacturer no longer in business and is not a reconstructed or specially constructed vehicle. (VA Code § 46.2-100)

##### **Major Components**

Any one of the following subassemblies of a motor vehicle: (i) front clip assembly, consisting of the fenders, grille, hood, bumper, and related parts; (ii) engine; (iii) transmission; (iv) rear clip assembly, consisting of the quarter panels, floor panels, trunk lid, bumper, and related parts; (v) frame; (vi) air bags; and (vii) any door that displays a vehicle identification number. (VA Code § 46.2-1600)

#### **How to Apply**

Follow these steps when applying for a title for a reconstructed, specially constructed or replica vehicle.

Step 1: Submit the following completed forms:

- Application for Assigned Vehicle Identification Number (VSA 22), if required NOTE: Vehicles such as reconstructed or specially constructed motor vehicles may have existing vehicle identification numbers (VINs) that are no longer appropriate because the vehicle has been fundamentally altered to be an entirely different vehicle for titling purposes. In order to title these types of vehicles, DMV will assign vehicle identification numbers. If the vehicle is a replica built on a manufactured chassis or a chassis from another vehicle, a VIN usually will not have to be assigned by DMV because the Manufacturer's Certificate (or Statement) of Origin (MCO or MSO) will provide an acceptable VIN for the vehicle. A replica vehicle built on the chassis from another vehicle may use the VIN from the existing chassis, as long as the new vehicle is a replica of the vehicle from which the chassis came. However, DMV must assign a VIN to any replica vehicle that otherwise does not have one, or if the replica does not appear to be the vehicle from which the chassis came. Any vehicle owner seeking an assignment of VIN from DMV must establish ownership of the vehicle by submitting all titles or other ownership documents for any parts acquired for use in constructing the vehicle. Each type of vehicle has certain components that must be accounted for with a bill of sale, title, certificate of origin and/or a notarized affidavit. These documents must show any identification numbers, sale price, and be properly assigned to the applicant. Any vehicle, for which an application for a VIN has been made, will be subject to inspection by DMV ("VIN inspection"). In addition, all reconstructed, specially constructed, and replica vehicles must be inspected by DMV's Law Enforcement Services prior to titling, even if the vehicle has an existing, useable VIN. DMV charges a fee for the inspection, verification, or identification of the serial number or VIN of any vehicle.
- Application for Certificate of Title and Registration (VSA 17A)
- Vehicle Services Payment Authorization (VSA 153), if applicable

Step 2: Submit proof of address

Refer to Acceptable Documents for Titling a Vehicle in Virginia (DMV 177) for a list of proof of address documents.

Step 3: Submit properly assigned ownership documents or bills of sale for:

- Frame
- Body
- Engine and Drive Train (component parts consisting of engine, transmission and rear axle)
- MCO or MSO for cab/glider kit, if applicable (A glider kit is a new cab and front axle used to replace a wrecked or retired cab and front axle. Motor vehicle sales and use tax is not required; however, you must provide proof that you paid retail tax.)

- For replica vehicle, MCO or MSO of the chassis, if specially manufactured or the title for the chassis if it came from another vehicle

NOTE: For motorcycles, submit properly assigned ownership documents or bills of sale for the following:

- Frame
- Body
- Engine
- Transmission, if applicable
- Front-end assembly

Step 4: Submit the following documents:

- A detailed notarized statement stating how the vehicle was constructed
- Multiple pictures of the completed vehicle (You must show at least the front and side of the vehicle.)

Step 5: Submit the following fees:

- \$5 VIN Plate Fee, if applicable
- \$125 Inspection Fee
- \$15 Title Fee
- Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax NOTE: If the vehicle weighs 26,001 pounds or more, you are exempt from paying sales and use tax. If you paid retail sales tax on any parts at the time of purchase and you are providing proof of payment, no motor vehicle sales and use tax is required.
- Registration Fee, if applicable NOTE: In order to operate your vehicle on Virginia highways, the vehicle must pass a state motor vehicle safety inspection. You must pay the local vehicle registration fee to the locality and display the local sticker or decal on the windshield, if applicable.

Step 6: Submit all documents and fees to:

- Mailing Address

Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

ATTN: Vehicle Branding Work Center

P.O. Box 27412

Richmond, VA 23269

- Physical Address

2300 W. Broad Street

Richmond, VA 23269

NOTE: The estimated turnaround time for this process is 3 weeks, if you submit all required documentation. You must completely assemble the vehicle prior to submitting your original paperwork to DMV for processing. A DMV Investigator will contact you to schedule an appointment to inspect the vehicle and install the VIN plate, if applicable.

#### Additional Information

Please note the following:

- Replica vehicles may not be driven more than 5,000 miles each year (VA Code § 46.2-602.1).
- A state inspection must be performed on the vehicle and the state inspection sticker must be displayed on the windshield, if applicable.
- The locality sticker/decal must be displayed on the windshield, if applicable. NOTE: Some localities do not require the display of a sticker/decal on a vehicle; however, payment of the local registration fee is still required. Check with the appropriate locality for requirements.

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Antique License Plate Applicant Certification (VSA 10B)**

#### GENERAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Who pays the \$50 antique license plate fee? Anyone applying for an antique plate on or after July 1, 2007 pays the \$50 one-time registration fee.
2. What happens if I received my antique plate before July 1, 2007, but I have not submitted my VSA 10B? If you received your antique plate before July 1, 2007, but have not submitted the VSA 10B, you will have to reapply for antique plates, pay the \$50 fee and submit the VSA 10B.
3. Does the VSA 10B have to be notarized? No. As of July 1, 2008, Virginia no longer requires the VSA 10B to be notarized.
4. Can I mail my antique vehicle registration application to DMV headquarters for processing? Yes. You will need to mail your application (either the VSA 14 or VSA 10) and your VSA 10B, along with the \$50 registration fee to: DMV, Special Plates P.O. Box 26668 Richmond, VA 23261-6668 After DMV processes your application, you will receive your plates and a new registration card in the mail.

## USE OF ANOTHER VEHICLE OR MOTORCYCLE

5. Can I use a leased vehicle as my general use vehicle? Yes.
6. If I have multiple antique vehicles, can I submit one VSA 10B for all vehicles? No. The form must be completed for each vehicle.
7. If I have multiple antique vehicles, can I use the same general use vehicle for all of my VSA 10B forms? Yes.
8. I have purchased a new vehicle within the past 30 days and intend to list it as my general use vehicle on my VSA 10B, but I have not received a title, registration card, or license plates from DMV. What information do I need to provide in order to be able to use my new vehicle on my form? You will need to provide a copy of your Temporary Certificate of Registration (VSA-01), which you should have received when you purchased the new vehicle. The Temporary Certificate of Registration will provide DMV with enough information to process your VSA 10B before the title work for your new vehicle is complete.

## VEHICLE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION

9. Do I have to get the vehicle inspected or show tangible proof of the safety equipment requirements for the model year in which it was manufactured and that it is capable of being safely operated on Virginia highways? No. This is a self-certification and you are required to certify based on your knowledge regarding the vehicle's safe operation. However, you should not certify to it if you know it is not true. As of July 1, 2008, you are no longer required to certify that the vehicle meets the safety equipment requirements for the model year in which it was manufactured, only that the vehicle is capable of being safely operated on the highways of Virginia.
10. If I want vintage plates on my antique vehicle, do I have to submit the VSA 10B? Yes. Vintage plates and antique plates are treated the same.

### **Are antique vehicles exempt from inspection and what are the restrictions?**

For a vehicle to be defined as "antique," it must be 25 years old or older. If the vehicle is registered as an antique through the Department of Motor Vehicles, it is exempt from state inspection.

Restrictions: Antique motor vehicles shall not be used for general transportation purposes, including, but not limited to, daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment. Such vehicle may be operated on the highway for participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, and similar events or for the purpose of testing their operation, obtaining repairs or maintenance, transportation to and from the events earlier described, and for occasional pleasure drives, not to exceed 250 miles from the residence of the owner.

## **Virginia Laws**

### **From Code of Virginia:**

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-602.1. Titling and registration of replica vehicles**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the model year of vehicles constructed or assembled by multiple manufacturers or assemblers shall be the model year of which the vehicle is a replica. No vehicle titled under this section shall be driven more than 5,000 miles per year as shown by the vehicle's odometer. No vehicle titled under this section shall be automatically eligible for antique motor vehicle license plates provided for in § 46.2-730.

Any vehicle registered under this section shall be subject to vehicle safety inspections as provided for in Article 21 (§ 46.2-1157 et seq.) of Chapter 10 and emissions inspections as provided for in Article 22 (§ 46.2-1176 et seq.) of Chapter 10. Such vehicles shall meet such safety and emission requirements as established for the model year of which the vehicle is a replica.

The Department shall assign each such vehicle a new vehicle identification number, line-make, and model year, if required.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-625. Specially constructed, reconstructed, replica, converted electric, or foreign vehicles**

If a vehicle for which the registration or a certificate of title is applied is (i) a specially constructed, reconstructed, replica, converted electric, or foreign vehicle or (ii) off-road motorcycle converted to on-road use, the fact shall be stated in the application and, in the case of any foreign vehicle registered outside the Commonwealth, the owner shall present to the Department the certificate of title and registration card or other evidence of registration as he may have. The Commissioner may require such other evidence of ownership as he may deem advisable and promulgate regulations establishing what additional evidence of ownership, if any, shall be required for titling and registration of (i) specially constructed, reconstructed, replica, converted electric, or foreign vehicles or (ii) off-road motorcycles converted to on-road use. All titles and registrations for specially constructed, reconstructed, replica, and converted electric vehicles and off-road motorcycles converted to on-road use shall be branded with the words "specially constructed," "reconstructed," "replica," "converted electric," or "off-road motorcycle converted to on-road use," as appropriate. Titles for vehicles that are both converted electric vehicles and reconstructed vehicles shall be branded with the words "reconstructed" and "converted electric."

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-602. Titling and registration of foreign market vehicles**

A. The Department shall not issue a permanent certificate of title or registration for a foreign market vehicle until the applicant submits proof that the vehicle complies with federal safety requirements.

B. The Department shall accept as proof that a foreign market vehicle complies with federal safety requirements documents from either the United States Department of Transportation or the United States Customs Service stating that the vehicle conforms or has been brought into conformity with federal safety requirements.

C. The certificate of title of any foreign market vehicle titled under this section shall contain an appropriate notation that the owner has submitted proof that it complies with federal safety requirements.

D. Any foreign market vehicle previously titled in the Commonwealth shall be titled and registered without further proof of compliance with federal safety requirements. If, however, proof of compliance is not submitted to the Department, the certificate of title shall contain an appropriate notation that the owner of the foreign market vehicle has not submitted proof that the vehicle complies with federal safety requirements.

**E. No foreign market vehicle manufactured prior to 1968 shall be subject to this section.**

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**VA Code Ann. § 46.2-730. License plates for antique motor vehicles and antique trailers; fee**

A. On receipt of an application and evidence that the applicant owns or has regular use of another passenger car, autocycle, or motorcycle, the Commissioner shall issue appropriately designed license plates to owners of antique motor vehicles and antique trailers. These license plates shall be valid so long as title to the vehicle is vested in the applicant. The fee for the registration card and license plates of any of these vehicles shall be a one-time fee of \$50.

B. On receipt of an application and evidence that the applicant owns or has regular use of another passenger car, autocycle, or motorcycle, the Commissioner may authorize for use on antique motor vehicles and antique trailers Virginia license plates manufactured prior to 1976 and designed for use without decals, if such license plates are embossed with or are of the same year of issue as the model year of the antique motor vehicle or antique trailer on which they are to be displayed. Original metal year tabs issued in place of license plates for years 1943 and 1952 and used with license plates issued in 1942 and 1951, respectively, also may be authorized by the Commissioner for use on antique motor vehicles and antique trailers that are of the same model year as the year the metal tab was originally issued. These license plates and metal tabs shall remain valid so long as title to the vehicle is vested in the applicant. The fee for the registration card and permission to use the license plates and metal tabs on any of these vehicles shall be a one-time fee of \$50. If more than one request is made for use, as provided in this section, of license plates having the same number, the Department shall accept only the first such application.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 46.2-711 and 46.2-715, antique motor vehicles may display single license plates if the original manufacturer's design of the antique motor vehicles allows for the use of only single license plates or if the license plate was originally issued in one



of the following years and is displayed in accordance with the provisions of subsection B: 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1945, or 1946.

D. Antique motor vehicles and antique trailers registered with license plates issued or authorized for use under this section shall not be used for general transportation purposes, including, but not limited to, daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment, but shall only be used:

1. For participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, and similar events;
2. On the highways of the Commonwealth for the purpose of testing their operation or selling the vehicle or trailer, obtaining repairs or maintenance, transportation to and from events as described in subdivision 1, and for occasional pleasure driving not exceeding 250 miles from the residence of the owner; and
3. To carry or transport (i) passengers in the antique motor vehicles, (ii) personal effects in the antique motor vehicles and antique trailers, or (iii) other antique motor vehicles being transported for show purposes.

The registration card issued to an antique motor vehicle or an antique trailer registered pursuant to subsections A, B, and C shall indicate such vehicle or trailer is for limited use.

E. Owners of motor vehicles and trailers applying for registration pursuant to subsections A, B and C shall submit to the Department, in the manner prescribed by the Department, certifications that such vehicles or trailers are capable of being safely operated on the highways of the Commonwealth.

Pursuant to § 46.2-1000, the Department shall suspend the registration of any vehicle or trailer registered with license plates issued under this section that the Department or the Department of State Police determines is not properly equipped or otherwise unsafe to operate. Any law-enforcement officer shall take possession of the license plates, registration card and decals, if any, of any vehicle or trailer registered with license plates issued under this section when he observes any defect in such vehicle or trailer as set forth in § 46.2-1000.

F. Antique motor vehicles and antique trailers displaying license plates issued or authorized for use pursuant to subsections B and C may be used for general transportation purposes if the following conditions are met:

1. The physical condition of the vehicle's license plate or plates has been inspected and approved by the Department;
2. The license plate or plates are registered to the specific vehicle by the Department;
3. The owner of the vehicle periodically registers the vehicle with the Department and pays a registration fee for the vehicle equal to that which would be charged to obtain regular state license plates for that vehicle;

4. The vehicle passes a periodic safety inspection as provided in Article 21 (§ 46.2-1157 et seq.) of Chapter 10;

5. The vehicle displays current decals attached to the license plate, issued by the Department, indicating the valid registration period for the vehicle; and

6. When applicable, the vehicle meets the requirement of Article 22 (§ 46.2-1176 et seq.) of Chapter 10.

If more than one request is made for use, as provided in this subsection, of license plates having the same number, the Department shall accept only the first such application. Only vehicles titled to the person seeking to use license plates as provided in this subsection shall be eligible to use license plates as provided in this subsection.

G. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the use of an antique motor vehicle to tow a trailer or semitrailer.

H. Any owner of an antique motor vehicle or antique trailer registered with license plates pursuant to this section who is convicted of a violation of this section is guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor. Upon receiving a record of conviction of a violation of this section, the Department shall revoke and not reinstate the owner's privilege to register the vehicle operated in violation of this section with license plates issued or authorized for use pursuant to this section for a period of five years from the date of conviction.

I. Except for the one-time \$50 registration fee prescribed in subsections A and B, the provisions of this section shall apply to all owners of vehicles and trailers registered with license plates issued under this section prior to July 1, 2007. Such owners shall, based on a schedule and a manner prescribed by the Department, (i) provide evidence that they own or have regular use of another passenger car or motorcycle, as required under subsections A and B, and (ii) comply with the certification provisions of subsection E. The Department shall cancel the registrations of vehicles owned by persons that, prior to January 1, 2008, do not provide the Department (i) evidence of owning or having regular use of another automobile, passenger car, or motorcycle as required under subsections A and B, and (ii) the certification required pursuant to subsection E.

**VA Code Ann. § 46.2-734. Reconstructed and specially constructed vehicles; inspection requirements; storage of unlicensed vehicles; use**

A. On receipt of an application therefor and written evidence that the applicant is a hobbyist and is registering a reconstructed or specially constructed vehicle built, reconstructed, restored, preserved, and maintained for historic or hobby interest, the Commissioner shall issue to the applicant one special license plate, which shall be mounted on the rear of the vehicle.

For the purposes of this section, "hobbyist" means the owner of one or more reconstructed or specially constructed vehicles who collects, purchases, acquires, trades, or disposes of reconstructed or specially constructed vehicles or parts thereof for his own use in order to

build, reconstruct, restore, preserve, and maintain a reconstructed or specially constructed vehicle for historic or hobby interest.

B. These vehicles shall be titled according to their chassis numbers or, if no chassis number exists, then by their motor serial numbers. The vehicles shall meet inspection requirements applicable to the model year shown on the registration certificate.

C. A hobbyist may store unlicensed, operable or inoperable, vehicles on his property provided the vehicles and the outdoor storage area are maintained in such a manner that they do not constitute a health hazard and are screened from ordinary public view by a fence, rapidly growing trees, shrubbery, billboards or other appropriate means. The hobbyist shall, however, not be exempt from local zoning ordinances governing the storage of these vehicles.

D. Vehicles registered under this section shall not be used for general transportation purposes, including but not limited to daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment, but shall only be used (i) for participation in hobbyist vehicle exhibits and similar limited-use events and (ii) on the highways of the Commonwealth for the purpose of testing their operation, obtaining repairs or maintenance, and transportation to and from events as described in this subsection.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-747. Special license plates for street rods**

On receipt of an application, the Commissioner shall issue special license plates to owners of street rods. For the purposes of this section, "street rods" shall mean modernized private passenger motor vehicles either manufactured prior to 1949 or designed or manufactured to resemble vehicles manufactured prior to 1949.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 58.1-2424. Credits against tax**

Credit shall be granted for the amount of tax paid to another state on a motor vehicle purchased in another state at the time such vehicle is first registered in the Commonwealth, provided the purchaser provides proof of payment of such tax. However, no credit shall be granted for any tax paid to another state if that state exempts from the tax vehicles sold to residents of a state which does not give credit for the tax. Credit for taxes collected under the Virginia retail sales and use tax (§ 58.1-600 et seq.) shall be allowed against the tax levied for **specially constructed or reconstructed vehicles** and other motor vehicles subject to such tax.

## Virginia Equipment Exemptions

From Virginia Administrative Code:

### **19 VAC 30-70-190. Signal device (intention to stop or turn), hazard lights, stop lamp.**

A. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with a switch that will permit all turn signal lamps to flash simultaneously.

B. Supplemental turn signals, properly wired into the turn signal circuit, may be installed. These may be either approved type turn signals or clearance lamps.

C. Single face lamps are permissible on the front, except tractor units shall be equipped with two-faced lamps mounted on the front fenders or on or near the front of the vehicle.

D. Inspect for and reject if:

1. Motor vehicle, or trailer, except an **antique vehicle** not originally equipped with a stop lamp, is not equipped with at least one stop lamp of an approved type (DOT or SAE-S) that automatically exhibits a red or amber light to the rear when the brake pedal is actuated.

2. Every **passenger car manufactured for the 1986 or subsequent model year** and multipurpose passenger vehicle, truck, or bus whose overall width is less than 80 inches, manufactured September 1, 1993, and subsequent model year is not equipped with a supplemental center high mount stop lamp of an approved type (DOT or SAE-U, U1 or U2) mounted at the vertical centerline of the vehicle which functions only in cooperation with the vehicle's stop lamps, brake lights and hazard lights. Any other vehicle on which a supplemental center high mount stop lamp is mounted shall have the lamp mounted at the vertical center line of the vehicle. The lamps shall be of an approved type and shall function only in conjunction with the stop lamps. The high mount stop lamp must be steady burning and not wired to flash with turn signals or other wig-wag device.

“Multipurpose passenger vehicle” means any motor vehicle that is (i) designed to carry no more than 10 persons and (ii) constructed either on a truck chassis or with special features for occasional off-road use.

NOTE: Camper shells or rear spoilers that obscure the original manufacturer's high mount stop lamp must be equipped with a center high mount stop lamp in good working order.

NOTE: The original manufacturer's center high mount stop lamp will not be considered for inspection if it is obscured by a camper shell or rear spoiler that is equipped with a center high mount stop lamp of an approved type.

NOTE: Multipurpose passenger vehicles with an overall width of 80 or more inches or GVWR of 10,000 pounds or more are not required to be equipped with a center high mount stop light.

NOTE: No sticker or other foreign material shall be affixed to the vehicle in such a manner so as to obscure the center high mount stop lamp.

3. Proper signals do not go on with each throw of the switch or if stop signals do not go on with slightest pressure on the brake pedal. Turn signals may flash, however stop signals may not flash except when the vehicle is equipped with a brake warning system or device which will cause the brake lights to flash when the vehicle is in motion but committed to an emergency or panic stop.

4. **Motor vehicle was manufactured after January 1, 1955**, and is not equipped with approved signaling devices (SAE-I).

5. Vehicle is not equipped with a turn signal if such signal is not working properly or does not continue to function in the same manner as when it was originally manufactured. (The turn signal switch shall lock in place when positioned for a left turn or a right turn, and the turn signal indicators must function. Do not reject a vehicle if the self-canceling mechanism in the switch does not function when the steering wheel is rotated.).

6. Switch is not convenient to the driver and not of an approved type.

7. Any vehicle so constructed so as to prevent the operator from making a hand and arm signal, if such vehicle is not equipped with an approved type signaling device.

8. Turn signal lens is not clear or amber to the front, or red or amber to the rear. Lens or bulb color has been altered or modified. If the turn signal lens is clear, then the bulb shall be amber.

NOTE: The pink color lens found on 1998 and 1999 Honda Accords emit the proper color light (amber) when the lamp is activated. There may be other manufacturers using the same configuration and are not in violation of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.

9. Wiring or electrical connections are defective or filaments do not burn.

NOTE: LED (light-emitting diode) lights with a clear lens are acceptable if of an approved type. For those vehicles that are equipped with a multiple LED light (not filament-burning bulbs), they will pass inspection if more than 50% of the diode lights are burning.

10. Lens has a piece broken from it. The lens may have one or more cracks provided an off-color light does not project through the cracks. Taping or gluing cracks or pieces is not permitted.

11. The hazard warning signal operating unit does not operate independently of the ignition or equivalent switch and when activated cause all turn signals to flash simultaneously.

NOTE: They are deemed not to be installed if none of the lights burn or flash when the switch is activated and the hazard warning signal flasher unit has been removed.

12. Device is not mounted near the rear for rear signals or near the front for front signals (except supplemental turn signals) or if the signal is hidden by a bolster or other part of body chassis.

13. All "Class A" signals are not mounted at least three feet apart. (This does not apply to the combination rear signal device.) However, signal lamps that are mounted as far apart as practical inside and at the rear of the frame so as to be properly visible will meet inspection requirements.

14. Any vehicle has wire, unapproved lens or plastic covers, any other materials that are not original equipment or any colored material placed on or in front of the signal device (intention to stop or turn), hazard lights or stop lamp.

#### **From Code of Virginia:**

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1014. Brake lights**

Every motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, **except an antique vehicle not originally equipped with a brake light**, registered in the Commonwealth and operated on the highways in the Commonwealth shall be equipped with at least two brake lights of a type approved by the Superintendent. Such brake lights shall automatically exhibit a red or amber light plainly visible in clear weather from a distance of 500 feet to the rear of such vehicle when the brake is applied.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to motorcycles or autocycles equipped with brake lights as required by § 46.2-1012.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1014.1. Supplemental high mount stop light**

Whenever operated on the highways, every Virginia-registered **passenger car manufactured for the 1986 or subsequent model** year shall be equipped with a supplemental center high mount stop light of a type approved by the Superintendent or which meets the standards adopted by the United States Department of Transportation. The light shall be mounted as near the vertical center line of the vehicle as possible. The light shall be actuated only in conjunction with the vehicle's brake lights and hazard lights. Any supplemental high mount stop light installed on any other vehicle shall comply with those requirements.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1036. Acetylene lights on antique motor vehicles**

Antique motor vehicles as defined in § 46.2-100 may be equipped with acetylene headlights, taillights, and lights to illuminate their rear license plates as provided in regulations promulgated by the Superintendent.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1038. When turn signals required; exceptions**

A. Any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer which is so constructed or carries a load in such a manner as to prevent a hand and arm signal required in § 46.2-849 from being visible both to the front and rear of such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer or any vehicle the driver of which is incapable of giving the required hand and arm signals, shall be equipped with electrical turn signals which meet the requirements of this title and are of a type that has been approved by the Superintendent. A tractor truck, however, need not be equipped with electrical turn signals on the rear if it is equipped with double faced signal lights mounted on the front fenders or on the sides near the front of the vehicle clearly visible to the rear.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive on any highway a motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth and **manufactured or assembled after January 1, 1955**, unless such vehicle is equipped with such turn signals on both front and rear.

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#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1039. Requirements of turn signals; regulations**

Every turn signal used to give a signal of intention to turn a vehicle shall be so constructed and so installed as to give a signal plainly visible in clear weather and under normal traffic conditions from a distance of at least 100 feet to the rear and 100 feet to the front of the vehicle. **No front turn signal, however, shall be required on vehicles manufactured before January 1, 1943.**

The Superintendent may promulgate regulations not inconsistent with this section and § 46.2-1038 governing the construction, location, and operation of turn signals and the color of lights which may be used in any such signal device. Nothing contained herein, however, shall prohibit the requiring of turn signals on any vehicle whose driver is prevented by any reason from giving the hand and arm signal required in § 46.2-849.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1048. Pollution control systems or devices**

No motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth and **manufactured for the model year 1973 or for subsequent model years** shall be operated on the highways in the Commonwealth unless it is equipped with an air pollution control system, device, or combination of such systems or devices installed in accordance with federal laws and regulations.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle, as herein described, on the highways in the Commonwealth with its pollution control system or device removed or otherwise rendered inoperable.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate on the highways in the Commonwealth a motor vehicle, as described in this section, equipped with any emission control system or device unless it is of a type installed as standard factory equipment, or comparable to that designed for use upon the particular vehicle as standard factory equipment.

No motor vehicle, as described in this section, shall be issued a safety inspection approval sticker unless it is equipped as provided under the foregoing provisions of this section or if it violates this section.

The provisions of this section shall not prohibit or prevent shop adjustments or replacements of equipment for maintenance or repair or the conversion of engines to low polluting fuels, such as, but not limited to, natural gas or propane, so long as such action does not degrade the antipollution capabilities of the vehicle power system.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to converted electric vehicles.

#### **Va. Code § 46.2-1055. Windshield wipers**

Every permanent windshield on a motor vehicle shall be equipped with a device for cleaning snow, rain, moisture, or other matter from the windshield directly in front of the driver. The device shall be so constructed as to be controlled or operated by the driver of the vehicle. Every such device on a school bus or a vehicle designed or used to carry passengers for compensation or hire or as a public conveyance shall be of a mechanically or electrically operated type. The device or devices on **any motor vehicle manufactured or assembled after January 1, 1943**, shall clean both the right and left sides of the windshield and shall be of a mechanically or electrically operated type.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1055.1. Windshield defroster or defogger**

Every Virginia-registered motor vehicle **manufactured for the 1969 or subsequent model years** and required to be equipped with a windshield shall be equipped with a windshield defroster or defogger. The defroster or defogger shall be in good working order at all times when the vehicle is operated on the highways.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1056. When safety glass required**

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive on any highway a motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth and manufactured or assembled after January 1, 1935, and designed or used for the purpose of carrying persons for compensation or hire or as a public conveyance to transport school children and others, unless such vehicle is equipped with safety glass wherever glass is used in doors, windows, and windshields.

It shall be unlawful to drive on any highway any motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth, **manufactured or assembled after January 1, 1936**, unless the vehicle is equipped with safety glass approved by the Superintendent, or meets the standards and specifications of the American National Standards Institute, Incorporated, or the regulations of the federal Department of Transportation whenever glass is used in doors, windows, and windshields.

The term "safety glass" as used in this section shall mean any product composed of glass so manufactured, fabricated or treated as substantially to prevent shattering and flying of the



glass when struck or broken. The Commissioner shall maintain a list of types of glass approved by the Superintendent as conforming to the specifications and requirements for safety glass as set forth in this section and shall not issue a license for or relicense any motor vehicle subject to the provisions herein stated unless such motor vehicle is equipped as herein provided with the approved type of glass.

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#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1082. Mirrors**

No person shall drive a motor vehicle on a highway in the Commonwealth if the vehicle is not equipped with a mirror which reflects to the driver a view of the highway for a distance of not less than 200 feet to the rear of such vehicle.

No motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth, designed and licensed primarily for passenger vehicular transportation on the public highways and **manufactured after 1968** shall be driven on the highways in the Commonwealth unless equipped with at least one outside and at least one inside rear view mirror meeting the requirements of this section.

Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no motor vehicle which either has no rear window, or which has a rear window so obstructed as to prevent rearward vision by means of an inside rear view mirror, shall be required to be equipped with an inside rear view mirror if such motor vehicle has horizontally and vertically adjustable outside rear view mirrors installed on both sides of such motor vehicle in such a manner as to provide the driver of such motor vehicle a rearward view along both sides of such motor vehicle for at least 200 feet.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1088.1. Hood scoops**

No motor vehicle shall be operated on a public highway in the Commonwealth if any hood scoop installed thereon exceeds any of the following dimensions:

1. For any hood scoop installed on any motor vehicle **manufactured for the 1990 or earlier model year**: thirty-eight inches wide at its widest point, two and one-quarter inches high at its highest point measured from the junction of the dashboard and the windshield, and fifty-two and one-quarter inches long at its longest point.

2. For any hood scoop installed on any motor vehicle manufactured for the 1991 or subsequent model year: thirty-eight inches wide at its widest point, one and one-eighth inches high at its highest point measured from the junction of the dashboard and the windshield, and fifty and one-half inches long at its longest point.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1092. Safety lap belts or a combination of lap belts and shoulder harnesses to be installed in certain motor vehicles**

No passenger car or autocycle registered in the Commonwealth and manufactured for the year 1963 or for subsequent years shall be operated on the highways in the Commonwealth unless

the front seats thereof are equipped with adult safety lap belts or a combination of lap belts and shoulder harnesses of types approved by the Superintendent.

Failure to use the safety lap belts or a combination of lap belts and shoulder harnesses after installation shall not be deemed to be negligence. Nor shall evidence of such nonuse of such devices be considered in mitigation of damages of whatever nature.

No motor vehicle registered in the Commonwealth and **manufactured after January 1, 1968**, shall be issued a safety inspection approval sticker if any lap belt, combination of lap belt and shoulder harness, or passive belt systems required to be installed at the time of manufacture by the federal Department of Transportation have been either removed from the motor vehicle or rendered inoperable.

No auticycle registered in the Commonwealth shall be issued a safety inspection sticker if any lap belt, combination of lap belt and shoulder harness, or passive belt systems required to be installed under this section have been either removed from the auticycle or rendered inoperable.

No passenger car, except convertibles, registered in the Commonwealth and **manufactured on or after September 1, 1990**, shall be operated on the highways in the Commonwealth unless the forward-facing rear outboard seats thereof are equipped with rear seat lap/shoulder belts of types required to be installed at the time of manufacture by the federal Department of Transportation.

No passenger car, including convertibles, registered in the Commonwealth and **manufactured on or after September 1, 1991**, shall be operated on the highways in the Commonwealth unless the forward-facing rear outboard seats thereof are equipped with rear seat lap/shoulder belts of types required to be installed at the time of manufacture by the federal Department of Transportation.

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#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1057. Windshields**

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive on a highway in the Commonwealth any motor vehicle or reconstructed motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle or auticycle, registered in the Commonwealth that was **manufactured, assembled, or reconstructed after July 1, 1970**, unless the motor vehicle is equipped with a windshield.

#### **VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1067. Within what distances brakes should stop vehicle**

On a dry, hard, approximately level stretch of highway free from loose material, the service braking system shall be capable of stopping a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles at all times and under all conditions of loading at a speed of 20 miles per hour within the following distances:

1. Passenger motor vehicles, except buses and antique vehicles, 25 feet.
2. Buses, trucks, and tractor trucks, 40 feet.
- 3. Motor vehicles registered or qualified to be registered as antique vehicles, when equipped with two-wheel brakes, 45 feet; four-wheel brakes, 25 feet.**

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**VA Code Ann. § 46.2-1158.01. Exceptions to motor vehicle inspection requirement**

A. The following shall be exempt from inspection as required by § 46.2-1157:

1. Four-wheel vehicles weighing less than 500 pounds and having less than 6 horsepower;
2. Boat, utility, or travel trailers that are not equipped with brakes;
- 3. Antique motor vehicles or antique trailers** as defined in § 46.2-100 and licensed pursuant to § 46.2-730;

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## ANTIQUE LICENSE PLATE APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

- Purpose:** Owners of antique motor vehicles, antique trailers, antique motorcycles and antique autocycles use this form to certify compliance with Code of Virginia requirements for use of antique plates.
- Instructions:** Return the completed VSA 10 B form (along with a VSA 10, VSA 14 or VSA 17A) with the one-time nonrefundable, nontransferable \$50 fee and any other applicable fees to any DMV customer service center. You may also mail the forms and fees to DMV, Special Plates, P.O. Box 26668, Richmond, VA 23261-6668.

APPLICANT INFORMATION			
OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER
CO-OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			CO-OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER
STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE      ZIPCODE

USE OF ANOTHER VEHICLE, MOTORCYCLE OR AUTOCYCLE					
Virginia Code, Section 46.2-730, requires evidence that the applicant named above owns or has regular use of another passenger car, motorcycle or autocycle. Antique license plates will not be issued without this evidence. The vehicle must have active registration. If the registration is inactive or the information is incorrect, the certification will not process.					
<input type="checkbox"/> I certify that I own at least one other properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle. (Describe below)					
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)		MAKE	MODEL	LICENSE PLATE NUMBER
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not own another properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle; however, I certify that I have regular use of at least one other properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle as authorized by the owner/co-owner below.					
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	STATE OF TITLE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)	MAKE	MODEL	LICENSE PLATE NUMBER
OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			OWNER SIGNATURE		
CO-OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			CO-OWNER SIGNATURE		

INSURANCE CERTIFICATION	
I/We certify that (check one):	
<input type="checkbox"/> This vehicle is insured by a liability policy issued through an insurance company licensed to do business in Virginia and it will remain insured while registered, whether or not it is operated. Penalties are severe for violation of this requirement.	NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY
<input type="checkbox"/> This vehicle is not insured; therefore, I am remitting the applicable uninsured motor vehicle fee. (This fee provides no insurance coverage.) A vehicle must be insured with liability coverage when it is registered, and it must remain insured while registered, whether or not it is operated, or the uninsured motor vehicle fee must be paid. Penalties are severe for violation of this requirement.	

USE OF ANTIQUE PLATES
Virginia Code, Section 46.2-730, limits use of antique vehicles, trailers, motorcycles and autocycles registered with antique plates to the participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades and similar events and to carrying or transporting passengers, personal effects and other antique vehicles for show purposes. They may also be used on Virginia highways to test vehicle/trailer operation, obtaining maintenance or repairs and/or to sell the vehicle or trailer. Antique plates permit occasional pleasure driving (not to exceed 250 miles from the owner's residence) but are not to be used for general transportation purposes, including but not limited to, daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment.

PENALTY FOR MISUSE OF ANTIQUE PLATES
Any owner of an antique vehicle, trailer, motorcycle or autocycle registered with license plates pursuant to Virginia Code, Section 46.2-730, will be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor if convicted of a violation of antique plate usage. The conviction will cause the owner's registration for the vehicle involved in the violation to be revoked for a five-year period from the date of conviction.

VEHICLE SAFETY CERTIFICATION				
Virginia Code, Section 46.2-730, requires that you certify that the antique vehicle, trailer, motorcycle or autocycle registered with antique plates is capable of being safely operated on Virginia highways.				
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)		MAKE	MODEL
OWNER SIGNATURE		DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)	CO-OWNER SIGNATURE	
			DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)	

## MILITARY SURPLUS LICENSE PLATE APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

**Purpose:** Owners of military surplus motor vehicles use this form to certify compliance with Code of Virginia requirements for use of military surplus license plates.

**Instructions:** Return the completed VSA10M form (along with a VSA10, VSA14, or VSA17A) with the one-time \$100 fee and any other applicable fees to any DMV Customer Service Center. You may also mail forms and fees to DMV, Titling Work Center, P.O. Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001.

APPLICANT INFORMATION			
OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER
CO-OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)			CO-OWNER TELEPHONE NUMBER
STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE      ZIPCODE

USE OF ANOTHER VEHICLE, MOTORCYCLE OR AUTOCYCLE				
Virginia Code § 46.2-730.1 requires evidence that the applicant named above owns or has regular use of a passenger car, motorcycle or autocycle. Military surplus license plates will not be issued without this evidence. The vehicle must have active registration. If the registration is inactive or the information is incorrect, the request for license plates will not process.				
<input type="checkbox"/> I certify that I own at least one other properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle. (Describe below)				
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)	MAKE	MODEL	LICENSE PLATE NUMBER
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not own another properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle; however, I certify that I have regular use of at least one other properly registered vehicle, motorcycle or autocycle as authorized by the owner/co-owner below.				
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	STATE OF TITLE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)	MAKE	MODEL
OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)		OWNER SIGNATURE		
CO-OWNER FULL NAME (last, first, middle initial) (print)		CO-OWNER SIGNATURE		

INSURANCE CERTIFICATION	
I/We certify that (check one):	
<input type="checkbox"/> This vehicle is insured by a liability policy issued through an insurance company licensed to do business in Virginia and it will remain insured while registered, whether or not it is operated. Penalties are severe for violation of this requirement.	NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY
<input type="checkbox"/> This vehicle is not insured; therefore, I am remitting the applicable uninsured motor vehicle fee. (This fee provides no insurance coverage.) A vehicle must be insured with liability coverage when it is registered, and it must remain insured while registered, whether or not it is operated, or the uninsured motor vehicle fee must be paid. Penalties are severe for violation of this requirement.	

USE OF MILITARY SURPLUS PLATES
Virginia Code § 46.2-730.1 limits military surplus motor vehicles with military surplus license plates to the participation in off-road events, on-road club activities, exhibits, tours, parades and similar events. They may also be used on Virginia highways for the purposes of selling the vehicle, obtaining repairs or maintenance. Military surplus license plates permit occasional pleasure driving (not to exceed 125 miles from the address where the vehicle is stored for use) but are not to be used for general transportation purposes, including, but not limited to daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment.

PENALTY FOR MISUSE OF MILITARY SURPLUS PLATES
Any owner of a military surplus motor vehicle registered with license plates pursuant to Virginia Code § 46.2-730.1 will be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor if convicted of a violation of military surplus plate usage. The conviction will cause the owner's registration for the vehicle involved in the violation to be revoked for a five-year period from the date of conviction.

VEHICLE SAFETY CERTIFICATION			
Virginia Code § 46.2-730.1 requires that you certify that the military surplus motor vehicle registered with military surplus license plates is capable of being safely operated on Virginia highways.			
VEHICLE TITLE NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)	MAKE	MODEL
OWNER SIGNATURE		DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)	CO-OWNER SIGNATURE
			DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)

# APPLICATION FOR ASSIGNED VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

**Purpose:** Use this form to apply for an assigned vehicle identification number.

**Instructions:** Return the completed form to DMV at the above address.

DMV USE ONLY
VIN PLATE ASSIGNED

VEHICLE INFORMATION			
MAKE	BODY TYPE	NUMBER OF AXLES	YEAR OR CONSTRUCTION DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)
CURRENT VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN, if any)			

OWNER INFORMATION		
OWNER NAME (last, first, mi, suffix)	CUSTOMER NUMBER/FEIN/SSN	PRIMARY TELEPHONE NUMBER
STREET ADDRESS		ALTERNATE TELEPHONE NUMBER
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
CO-OWNER NAME (last, first, mi, suffix)	CUSTOMER NUMBER/FEIN/SSN	PRIMARY TELEPHONE NUMBER
CO-OWNER STREET ADDRESS		ALTERNATE TELEPHONE NUMBER
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

REASON FOR APPLICATION
<p>Check one. Please note document and fees required.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 48%;"> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED VEHICLE - Original title, bills of sale, certificate of origin, and notarized statement of construction; photo of vehicle; and \$145.00 fee. (\$5.00 VIN application, \$125.00 examination fee and \$15.00 title fee.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> RECONSTRUCTED VEHICLE - Same as above.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> REPLICA VEHICLE - Same as above.</p> </div> <div style="width: 48%;"> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VIN VERIFICATION (Check appropriate type)</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> MISSING   <input type="checkbox"/> CHANGED   <input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED</p> <p>Original title in your name and \$145.00 fee. (\$5.00 VIN application, \$125.00 examination fee, and \$15.00 title fee.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HOMEMADE TRAILER - (Complete the Homemade Trailer Information Section) (\$5.00 fee.)</p> </div> </div>

COMPLETE ONLY FOR HOMEMADE TRAILER			
TRAILER TYPE (check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> BOAT TRAILER	<input type="checkbox"/> UTILITY TRAILER	<input type="checkbox"/> CAMPING TRAILER	<input type="checkbox"/> HORSE TRAILER
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) _____			
If you were not involved in the actual construction of this trailer, enter the builder's name and address below.			
BUILDER NAME			
STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

CERTIFICATION (all owners must sign)		
I/We 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.		
OWNER/AUTHORIZED AGENT NAME (print)	OWNER/AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE	DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)
OWNER/AUTHORIZED AGENT NAME (print)	OWNER/AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE	DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)

CERTIFICATION OF INSTALLED VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER			
This certification must be signed by a Virginia Law Enforcement Officer and returned to DMV with an Application for Title and Registration (VSA- 17A) before a title and license plate(s) can be issued.			
NOTE: For a reconstructed vehicle, specially constructed vehicle, replica motor vehicle or a vehicle missing the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN); a DMV special agent must install the assigned VIN plate and certify its installation below.			
I certify that the assigned Vehicle Identification Number has been attached to the vehicle described below.			
SIGNATURE	AGENCY	BADGE NUMBER	DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLATION OF AN ASSIGNED VIN PLATE ON A HOMEMADE TRAILER

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. You are required to install the assigned VIN PLATE ONLY on the homemade trailer described in this application.
2. Trailers with a gross weight of 3,000 pounds or more, including load, must be equipped with brakes and breakaway switch. The brakes must be controlled by the driver of the towing vehicle.

### VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN) PLATE INSTALLATION

Using the VIN PLATE and special rivets, install the plate in the following manner:

1. The VIN PLATE must be installed on the left side (road side) of the trailer tongue, unless design makes this location impractical. Select an alternate location on the trailer frame near the left front.
2. Carefully clean the area where the VIN PLATE is to be installed.
3. Using the VIN PLATE as a guide, make two marks on the cleaned area corresponding to the two holes in the VIN PLATE as shown below:



4. Drill two holes using 1/8-inch drill bit.
5. Strip the paper backing from the VIN PLATE. (Caution: Do not get the gummed side of the VIN PLATE dirty or it will not adhere.)
6. Carefully align the VIN PLATE, matching the holes in the VIN PLATE with the holes you have drilled.
7. Insert one special rivet into each hole of the VIN PLATE.
8. Hammer each rivet until the pin of the rivet is even with the rivet head.

## DEFINITIONS

### RECONSTRUCTED VEHICLES

Every vehicle of a type required to be registered hereunder materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition or substitution of essential parts, new or used. Virginia Code Section 46.2-100.

### SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED VEHICLES

Every vehicle which shall not have originally been constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of vehicles and not a reconstructed vehicle as herein defined. Virginia Code Section 46.2-100.

### REPLICA VEHICLES

Every vehicle not fully constructed by a licensed manufacturer but either constructed or assembled from components. Such components may be from a single vehicle, multiple vehicles, a kit, parts, or fabricated components. The kit may be made up of major components as defined in Virginia Code Section 46.2-1600, a full body, or a full chassis, or a combination of these parts. The vehicle shall resemble a vehicle of distinctive name, line-make, model, or type as produced by a licensed manufacturer or manufacturer no longer in business and is not considered a reconstructed or specially constructed vehicle as defined above.