



OUT OF STATE DEALERS/RESIDENTS- SALVAGE/REBUILDS

- **Not all states have salvage titles/certificates, Washington State does not have a salvage title certificate.**
- Washington state insurance auctions sell salvage vehicles and Washington state wrecking yards sell rebuildable vehicles on a Washington bill of sale (**BOS**). Those entities surrender the WA title to Washington Department of Licensing prior to being able to sell those vehicles. Insurance auctions indicate what type of documents are provided for the vehicle being sold. If you are not sure what is provided or what the verbiage means, **BEFORE** you buy, contact that entity for an explanation to know if it can be rebuilt and retitled (i.e., some may be for parts only or crush only) and what your responsibilities are.
- Some states accept the Washington State BOS as the ownership document to title and/or register in their state, but some do not.

Out of state residents or dealers who purchase Salvage or Rebuildable Vehicles on a Washington BOS and not on a salvage title certificate, should **contact their state to obtain requirements for their process**. You may also want to do so for their salvage vehicle process when you do have a salvage title to submit.

- **If you purchased a salvage vehicle from an insurance auction or a rebuildable vehicle from a wrecking yard** on a Washington BOS and your state **will not accept** that document, you are **required per [RCW 46.12.560](#) to have a physical Washington State Patrol (WSP) VIN inspection** of the vehicle **after** it is repaired. It must comply with all the Washington laws related to salvage vehicles in order to obtain a Washington Title Purpose Only (TPO) to be transferred to your state. See Rebuilt/Salvage inspection guide at: [Schedule a VIN Inspection - Washington State Patrol](#)
- **No inspection from another state will be accepted for a salvage/rebuild vehicle to be titled in Washington, NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- **Repairs are required to be completed prior to inspection.** Please be sure that all repairs are completed and all major component parts (MCPS) are repaired or replaced prior to inspection, airbags replaced, and their modules reset and functional, otherwise you will be inconvenienced by having to return with the vehicle to verify repairs or replacement of those MCPS which will also further delay our already busy and backlogged inspection lanes. See "Rebuilt/Salvage Vehicle Inspection Guide" at [Schedule a VIN Inspection - Washington State Patrol](#) for all requirements

- **Appointments are required for inspection** A Request for Washington State Patrol Vehicle Inspection, as well as a transit permit to operate on Washington roads must be obtained from Washington Department of Licensing. Set an appointment, check for all requirements at [Schedule a VIN Inspection - Washington State Patrol](#)

- **Process:**
When a Washington state BOS, not a salvage title/certificate, was provided and your state does not accept the Washington BOS:
 - WSP inspection is required, vehicle **and** documents must meet requirements by Washington law to receive a Washington title.

 - Vehicle and required documentation pass inspection. Washington state TPO may be issued to submit to your state.

 - **If during inspection**, one or more required documents, including MCP receipts/invoices to pass inspection are not acceptable or available to be supplied, a Washington title cannot be provided. See the “[Rebuilt/Salvage Vehicle Inspection Guide](#)”

 - **In the above case, that dealer or resident may apply for** and may be issued a surety bond to obtain a bonded Washington title subject to Washington state laws.
Washington bonded title may be submitted to your state.

 - **Each state has its own guidelines** for accepting a Washington bonded title. Check with your state in advance for all their requirements prior to inspection to successfully complete the process.

 - **Applicants for a bonded Washington title** must contact any Washington vehicle licensing agency for all questions and requirements related to the bond process. WSP will complete the VIN inspection process. Washington Vehicle Ownership Bond form: <https://dol.wa.gov/forms/view/420054/download?inline>

 - **Example: Oregon will accept the Washington bonded title.**

Along with that bonded title, additional requirements per ODOT must include: A “Certification of Ownership Facts, DMV Form 550”, which must accompany an application for an Oregon title to be issued when a bonded title is submitted as the ownership document. **If any additional evidence of ownership** is available, it must be submitted with the application and certification forms. [Contact ODOT](#) for more or updated information.