
(1) An owner of a motor vehicle from which the manufacturer’s vehicle identification number plate has been previously removed, as required by Act 765 or by statutes of another state or jurisdiction, must make application for an Alabama assigned vehicle identification number on form MVT 26-3 when this vehicle is repaired, rebuilt or remanufactured and it's operation on the public streets and highways of Alabama would require the titling and licensing of the vehicle in this state.

(2) When making application for an Alabama assigned vehicle identification number, a properly signed and certified bill of sale, which provides the vehicle description, including the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, from the insurance company that declared the vehicle as salvage or from the registered owner, to the salvage buyer, shall be required. A chain of ownership by proper bill of sale from the salvage buyer to the next owner, and to each owner thereafter, to the applicant, must be attached to the bill of sale from the insurance company or registered owner. Whenever any major component part (engine, frame, body or transmission) is replaced and is not that component in the original salvaged vehicle, appropriate bill(s) of sale for that component part will also be required.

(3) After an application for an Alabama assigned vehicle identification number has been approved, an Alabama vehicle identification number plate will be delivered to the owner and the vehicle will be inspected to determine where, on the vehicle, the Alabama identification number plate must be installed.

(4) After an Alabama vehicle identification number plate is installed, application may then be made for an Alabama certificate of title on form MVT 5-1.

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