



# STATE OF INDIANA

Michael R. Pence, Governor

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## CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY REQUEST TO JUNK A VEHICLE WITHOUT A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

In accordance with Indiana Code §9-22-5, a person who owns a vehicle that has a title that is faulty, lost, or destroyed or the possessor of an abandoned vehicle, under Indiana Code §9-22-1, may apply to the BMV for authority to sell, give away, or dispose of the vehicle for scrap metal. Requests to junk a vehicle are processed by the Central Office Title Processing Department.

An applicant must submit the following:

- Application for Certificate of Authority – State Form 55018
- Proof of ownership (i.e. current registration, insurance settlement); **or**
- Abandoned Vehicles – must meet requirements as outlined in Indiana Code §9-22:** Proof of delivery of certified letter to the vehicle owner and lienholder (if applicable), including a copy of the letter must be submitted with this application.
- Proof of lien release, if applicable.
- \$4 application fee. Payable by credit card (MasterCard or Visa), check, electronic check, or money order.

If the BMV determines that sufficient credible evidence exists to substantiate the applicant's claim of ownership, an approved Certificate of Authority – State Form 55018 will be mailed back to the customer to present to the automobile wrecker or scrap yard when disposing of the vehicle.

For your convenience, the required form is included with this checklist. The form is also available at **myBMV.com**. Mail the completed documents to:

**Central Office Title Processing  
100 North Senate Avenue, Room N411  
Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**Note: Include this checklist on the top of your application with contact information provided below. If all required documents are not submitted or information is incomplete the entire application will be returned.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email (optional) \_\_\_\_\_



**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY -  
DISPOSAL OF A MOTOR VEHICLE**  
INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
State Form 55018 (R / 7-12)

**BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES**  
100 North Senate Avenue  
Room N411  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

- INSTRUCTIONS:** 1. Complete in blue or black ink or print form. Mail to address indicated above.  
2. The approved application will be returned to the applicant at the address provided below. Approval is valid for six (6) months from the approval date.

APPLICANT INFORMATION									
Applicant Name(s) (Last, First, Middle Initial or Company Name)									
Mailing Address (number and street)					City			State	ZIP Code
County		Telephone Number (required) (      )			Email Address (optional)				
MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION									
Vehicle Identification Number									
Vehicle Year		Vehicle Make		Vehicle Model		Vehicle Type		Vehicle Color	
<b>Reason for Request:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Title is faulty, lost or destroyed							
<b>Include a detailed statement regarding the reason a certificate of title is unavailable and (if applicable) explain how the vehicle came into your possession. Attach additional sheets if necessary.</b>									
<b>I swear or affirm that the information I have entered on this form is true and correct. No material fact has been withheld. I understand that making a false statement may constitute the crime of perjury.</b>									
Signature of Applicant				Printed Name				Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Signature of Applicant				Printed Name				Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)	
- BMV USE ONLY -									
The applicant is <b>approved</b> to sell this motor vehicle to a licensed junk dealer or an established automobile wrecker for scrap metal. The licensed junk dealer or established automobile wrecker shall accept this Certificate of Authority in place of a certificate of title to the motor vehicle.									
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"><b>BMV SEAL</b></div>									
Designee of Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles Commissioner				Printed Name				Date Approved (mm/dd/yyyy)	
- AUTOMOBILE WRECKER / SCRAP YARD USE ONLY -									
Complete below and return this form to the BMV after destroying or dismantling the vehicle. Mail to: PO Box 100, Winchester, IN 47394									
*After delivery of this Certificate to the BMV, a certificate of title may not be issued for the motor vehicle described above.									
<b>I hereby certify that this vehicle was destroyed or dismantled and should be recorded as 'JUNK' in BMV records. I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that this statement is correct. I understand making a false statement may constitute the crime of perjury.</b>									
Company Name							Dealer Number		
Street Address (number and street)					City		State	ZIP Code	
Signature of Representative				Printed Name				Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)	



## ***Payment Information***

***Pay by:***

- Check or money order*
- Credit Card (MasterCard or Visa)*
- Electronic check*

*I hereby authorize the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles to charge the credit card indicated below:*

*Type of card:*       *MasterCard*       *Visa*

*Name of cardholder:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Account*

*Number:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Expiration*

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby authorize the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles to charge the checking account indicated below:*

<i>Routing Number</i>	<i>Account Number</i>