Vermont titles **Vehicles, ATV's and Snowmobiles** 15 years old or newer based on calendar year. Example: from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, Vermont will title vehicles with model year 2006 or newer.

**Vermont Vessel (Motorboat) Title Certificates** will be issued for vessels 15 years old or newer based on calendar year with a length (stem to stern) of 16 feet or greater. A vessel may be titled in Vermont without being registered.

If you own the vehicle free and clear (no loan) the title will be mailed directly to you.

If you have a loan on the vehicle, the title will be mailed to the entity holding the loan (not the owner) within 3 weeks of the processing of your registration.

If the vehicle has more than one owner, you need to indicate Rights of Survivorship (see types of ownership for more information).

If a vehicle is more than 25 years old, Vermont residents may apply for an exempt vehicle title.

**NO VERMONT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

- Any **Vehicle, Vessel, ATV or Snowmobile** more than 15 years old based on calendar year.\(^1\)
- Any **Vessel** less than 16 feet in length.
- Any vessel which is a canoe, kayak or similar watercraft designed to be manually propelled or equipped with a motor not to exceed 10 horsepower.
- A vehicle/vessel/ATV/snowmobile owned by the United States Government, unless it is registered in the State.
- A vehicle/vessel /ATV/snowmobile owned by a manufacturer or dealer and held for sale.
- A vehicle/vessel regularly engaged in the interstate transportation of persons or property for which a currently effective Certificate of Title has been issued in another state.
- Mopeds
- Motorcycles which have less than 300cc engine displacement
- Trailers whose empty weight is 1499 lbs. or less
- **Tractors**: All tractors registered for less than 6099 lbs. are exempt from the title requirements.
- **Track Vehicles** (Title optional):
  - Track vehicles **will not be registered**, but they **may be titled**.
    1. Title fees will be due.
    2. A reassignment of ownership on a secure document (MSO) is required.

\(^1\) Exempt title available for vehicles 25 years old or older, Vermont residents only (see form VT-025)
Other Title Exemptions:

The following vehicles are exempt from titling. These may be titled, if the proper documentation and fees are submitted.

1. "Road Making Appliances" are vehicles drawn by a separate motorized power unit, and designed for and used exclusively for building, repair, or maintenance of roads or highways or while being transported from job to job in connection with the building, repair or maintenance of roads or highways, except contractor's trailers. These vehicles as defined in law are listed below:

- Pavement Heaters
- Screening Plants
- Compressors
- Power Shovels
- Steam Boilers
- Traffic Control Boards
- Bulldozer
- Graders
- Excavator
- Rooters
- Concrete Mixer
- Retreading Machines
- Bucket Loaders
- Asphalt Reclaimers
- Concrete Mixer (trailer type)
- Sweeper

2. The following are also exempt but are not considered "Road Making Appliances".

- Backhoe
- Street Sweepers
- Cement Mixer (trailer type)
- Fork Lift

TO OBTAIN A VERMONT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE, AN APPLICANT MUST HAVE:

- A Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin
- A valid Certificate of Title
- An Out-of-State registration (vehicle 15 years old or newer, last registered in a non-title state) or a Certified Copy
- An Out-of-state registration (vessels 15 years old or newer, and 16 feet or more, last registered in a non-title state) or a Certified Copy

All motor vehicles 15 years old or newer registered in Vermont, except those listed above, must have a Certificate of Title.

All vessels 15 years old or newer of 16 feet in length or greater registered in Vermont, except those listed above, must have a Certificate of Title.

All ATV’s and Snowmobiles 15 years old or newer, except, those owned by the United States Government, or owned by a manufacturer or dealer held for sale. All owned by nonresidents whose state of residence does not require a certificate of title from them or owned by a non-resident whose residential state does require a certificate of title to be issued and it has been applied for.

To make application for a title, a Vermont Registration Application (VD-119) or Vermont Snowmobile Registration Application (VD-038) or Vermont Motorboat Registration (VD-037) must be submitted and accompanied by the required fees and supporting documents. The assignment of any Vermont registration can be withheld indefinitely pending compliance with the Vermont Title requirements.

All liens upon motor vehicles, ATV’s, vessels or snowmobiles acquired prior to the current calendar year minus 15 years are not otherwise subject to the provisions of motor vehicle titling in Vermont should be recorded with the appropriate Town Clerk and the Vermont Secretary of State.

If you require any further information or assistance, please contact Registration/License Information at 802.828.2000.