

New Residents and Vehicle Registrations

You must appear in person at the Town Clerk's Office and fill out a Declaration of Residency. New residents to the State are required to register their vehicles and obtain a New Hampshire driver's license within 60 days.

In order to register your vehicle with an out-of-state title this title has to be turned into a New Hampshire title. If you have a lien on the vehicle, you must obtain the title from your lien holder. Bring in your title to the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk will complete a title application and send it to the Department of Motor Vehicles. The Department of Motor Vehicles will then send the new title to your lien holder.

If you hold clear title to a vehicle you must submit the original title to the Town Clerk who prepares a title application and registration. Taxes on the vehicle are calculated on the list price of the vehicle when purchased new. State fees are based on the weight of the vehicle.

261:148 Permit Required. – No vehicle, except an OHRV, snowmobile or moped, owned or controlled by a resident of this state shall be registered under the provisions of this chapter until the owner or person controlling the same has obtained a permit for registration from the city or town wherein he resides. This section shall not apply to vehicles which constitute stock in trade of a manufacturer or of a bona fide dealer. The town or city clerk shall issue such permits to vehicles exempted from registration fees under RSA 261:92 at no charge. If the town or city has adopted the provisions of RSA 231:130-a, no such permit shall be issued unless the town or city clerk's records reveal no outstanding parking violations in this state. No such permit shall be issued unless the owner or person controlling the vehicle presents to the town or city clerk:

I. A certificate of title if required by the provisions of this chapter, or application for such certificate of title; or

II. In the case of a vehicle exempted from the title requirements of this chapter:

(a) A bill of sale from such previous owner; or

(b) If the previous owner was a dealer in vehicles, a temporary registration certificate.

III. The bill of sale required by the provisions of paragraph II shall contain the following information:

(a) The date of the sale;

(b) A description of the vehicle including:

(1) Make;

(2) Model;

(3) Vehicle identification number;

(4) Model year;

(5) Year of manufacture;

(6) Type of body; and

(7) Number of cylinders.

(c) Name and address of purchaser; and

(d) Signature and address of seller.

IV. In the case of any vehicle, a certificate of registration to the same owner for a current or previous registration period.

We cannot issue a new registration, copy of registration, renewal of registration, new tags, new plates, etc. unless you provide the Town Clerk's office with the appropriate paperwork.

It is against the law to issue any of the above without it.