

TRAILERS

Do I need to title and license my trailer?

Yes. **ALL** trailers, semi-trailers, and farm trailers are required to be titled and licensed except:

- Trailers with a gross weight of 1,500 pounds or less and not for hire or commercial use.
- Trailers used to haul recreational vehicles such as a motorcycle not qualified for registration, ATVs, snowmobiles, boats, and personal watercraft. Trailers used to haul recreational vehicles used in competitive events **ARE** required to be titled and licensed in spite of the weight.
- Single-axle two-wheel car dollies.
- Pup trailers
- Trailers pulled behind motorcycles provided they do not contain sleeping quarters.
- Trailers over the legal width (i.e. combine trailer). <http://www.nd.gov/ndhp/permits/permits.html>

What do I need to title and license my trailer?

The manufacture's certificate of origin or out of state title must be submitted with the completed [SFN 2872 Application for Certificate of Title and Registration of a Motor Vehicle](#) and appropriate fees.

My trailer is not required to be titled or licensed. How do I legally use it out of state?

Every trailer not required to be registered in North Dakota may be furnished upon request an identification plate for a \$5 fee. The registration is based on a calendar year and the plate is issued to the owner, not the trailer. The plates must be removed if the trailer is sold.

Can I license my trailer for multiple years?

Yes. Multi-year license plates based on a six (6) year cycle are available to any owner. Payment can be made on an annual basis or full payment for all years for which the plate is valid.

Owners choosing to pay annually are required to file a corporate surety bond in an amount to be determined by the department. The plates are transferable to a replacement trailer. There is no minimum number of trailers required to qualify for this plate.

How do I obtain a North Dakota title for a homemade trailer?

- You will be required to obtain an identification number, VIN number. [SFN 60467 Application for North Dakota Assigned Vehicle Identification Number \(VIN\)](#) must be made at any motor vehicle location.
- The identification number, VIN number must be stamped in a designated place verified by a business registered and in good standing with the Secretary of State and offer motor vehicle repair to the public with a [SFN 2486 Certificate of Vehicle Inspection](#) completed. Contact a local qualified business to make an appointment for this inspection.
- [SFN 2872 Application for Certificate of Title & Registration of a Motor Vehicle](#) must be completed in full and signed by the owner.
- [SFN 2486 Certificate of Vehicle Inspection](#) completed by a business registered and in good standing with the Secretary of State and offer motor vehicle repair to the public.
- License fees due.

- Title transfer fee \$5.

Do I need to title and license my camper trailer (travel trailer)?

Yes. All travel trailers must be titled and licensed regardless of size and weight.

The manufacturer's certificate of origin or out of state title must be submitted with the completed [SFN 2872 Application for Certificate of Title & Registration of a Motor Vehicle](#) and appropriate fees. Plates must be removed if the trailer is sold.

I have a travel trailer that I have converted to a fish house do I need to license it?

If the modification restricts its use to a basic fish house no registration is required.

Premium portable fish houses are required to be titled and licensed.

I have a travel trailer used as an office on a construction site. Do I need to license it?

No. You do not need to title or license the trailer as long as it is exclusively used as an office and not for storage.