

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Purchased/Received a Vehicle without a Title

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment Purchased/Received a Vehicle without a Title s. 342, a proposed guidance document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website: <https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/dmv/vehicles/title-plates/surety-bond.aspx>
2. Mailing written comments to:
Division of Motor Vehicles
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
4822 Madison Yards Way
PO Box 7336
Madison, WI 53707-7336

WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsin.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

AGENCY CONTACT

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In order for WisDOT to issue a title for a vehicle purchased/received without a proper ownership document or a complete chain of ownership, we will require a surety bond as stated in Wisconsin Statute 342.12(3)(b).

How to apply for a surety bonded title

STEP 1:

Complete these forms and submit with all applicable fees:

1. Application for a Bonded Certificate of Title to a Vehicle form [□ MV2082](#)
2. Wisconsin Title & License Plate Application form [□ MV1](#)

STEP 2:

Once WisDOT receives the application, we will research vehicle records in Wisconsin as well as other jurisdictions to determine previous ownership of the vehicle. We will review the application and consult with price guides to determine the bond amount.

STEP 3:

WisDOT will send you a letter requesting a surety bond for the determined amount.

Once WisDOT receives the surety bond, we will issue a Wisconsin title that shows the brand, BOND POSTED. This brand will remain in Wisconsin records for [5 years](#).

After the bond has been held for the [5 year period](#), WisDOT will send a letter to the current vehicle owner(s) letting them know they can obtain a title without the brand and the surety bond will be returned to the surety company. For additional information please see frequently asked questions (FAQs):

- [□ Frequently asked questions for Wisconsin's bond title process](#)

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