

Vehicle Registration

Vehicle Registration when purchased from Automobile Dealer

When purchasing a vehicle, a license plate must be registered to the vehicle within twenty (20) calendar days of purchase without a penalty. If you purchase your vehicle from an Alabama Automobile Dealer, that dealer will apply for your Alabama title, but the vehicle registration is the responsibility of the owner.

The following is needed for registration when purchasing a vehicle from an Alabama Automobile Dealer:

- Title Application
- Bill of Sale
- Proof of Insurance on newly acquired vehicle
- Driver's License for all persons whose name appears on the title application and bill of sale

When purchasing a vehicle from an out of state Automobile Dealer, the Automobile Dealer will need to contact Morgan County Commissioner of License's office Title Clerk at 256-351-4772 for information on what documentation is required from the out of state Automobile Dealer. In most cases the out of state Automobile Dealer will send your documents by Federal Express to our office. Our Title Clerk will notify you that your paperwork has arrived and what additional documentation you will need.

The following is needed for registration if the out of state Automobile Dealer releases all documentation to the purchaser:

- Manufacturers Certificate of Origin (MSO) or out of state title
- Bill of Sale
- Proof of insurance for newly acquired vehicle
- Driver's License for all persons whose name appears on documentation
- Vehicle being registered for VIN inspection
- Person whose name appears on all documentation from out of state Automobile Dealer

If there is more than one purchaser and names are joined with "and" on the documentation, both parties will need to be present to sign the title application. If there is more than one purchaser and names are joined with "or" on the documentation, only one person is required to sign the title application.