

Off-Highway Vehicle Title and Registration Program Frequently Asked Questions

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Off-Highway Vehicle Owners

- 1. Q. What is the Off-Highway Vehicle Title and Registration Program?**
A. During the 2009 legislative session, Senate Bill 394 [\[link to SB394\]](#) was voted into law, requiring certain owners of off-highway vehicles (OHV) to obtain titles and annual registration decals. During the 2011 legislative session, Senate Bill 130 [\[link to SB130\]](#) extended the amount of time the DMV has to implement the program.
- 2. Q. Will I be able to operate my OHV on the street?**
A. Generally, operation of an OHV on the street is not allowed, unless posted. Reference NRS 490.090 through 490.130 for details.
- 3. Q. When does the program go into effect?**
A. On July 1, 2012, or 30-days after the DMV has completed the tasks necessary to implement the program, whichever comes first. The DMV will begin a public information campaign when it has determined the program effective date.
- 4. Q. What is classified as an OHV? (NRS 490.060)**
A. Off-highway vehicle means a motor vehicle that is designed primarily for off-highway and all-terrain use. The term includes, but is not limited to:
(a) An all-terrain vehicle;
(b) An all-terrain motorcycle;
(c) A dune buggy;
(d) A snowmobile; and
(e) Any motor vehicle used on public lands for the purpose of recreation.
- 5. Q. Who is required to register their OHV? (NRS 490.082)**
A. With certain exceptions, every owner of an OHV shall register their OHV (see below).
- 6. Q. Who is exempt from registration? (NRS 490.082.3)**
A. Registration of an off-highway vehicle is not required if the off-highway vehicle:
(a) Is owned and operated by:
(1) A federal agency;
(2) An agency of this State; or
(3) A county, incorporated city or unincorporated town in this State;
(b) Is part of the inventory of a dealer of off-highway vehicles;

(c) Is registered or certified in another state and is located in this State for not more than 60 days;

(d) Is used solely for husbandry on private land or on public land that is leased to or used under a permit issued to the owner or operator of the off-highway vehicle;

(e) Is used for work conducted by or at the direction of a public or private utility; or

(f) Was manufactured before January 1, 1976.

7. **Q. My vehicle is registered for use on the highway. Will I be required to purchase an OHV decal to operate my vehicle off-road? (NRS 490.060)**

A. You will not be required to obtain an OHV decal if your vehicle is registered for use on-road.

8. **Q. Who is required to title their OHV? (NRS 490.082)**

A. Every owner of an OHV that was purchased on or after the effective date of the program will be required to obtain a certificate of title for their OHV. The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.

9. **Q. When am I required to register my OHV?**

A. The owner of an OHV that was purchased prior to the effective date of the program will have one year to register their OHV. For example, if the program goes into effect on July 1, 2012, the owner of an OHV that was purchased prior to that date would be required to register for the first time before July 1, 2013.

The owner of an OHV that was purchased on or after the effective date must register within 30 days of purchase.

10. **Q. Will I still need to buy a temporary OHV registration when I ride in other states that require registration?**

A. No. A valid Nevada OHV registration decal will allow you to ride your OHV in other states that have an OHV registration program.

11. **Q. When am I required to title my OHV?**

A. The owner of an OHV that was purchased prior to the effective date may obtain a Nevada Certificate of Title, but it is not required.

The owner of an OHV that was purchased on or after the effective date must obtain a title within 30 days of purchase.

The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.

12. **Q. How much will it cost to register my OHV? (NRS 490.084)**

A. The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is required to determine the fee for OHV registration decals. The fee to obtain a first time or annual renewal registration decal must not be less than \$20 or more than \$30.

13. **Q. How much will it cost to title my OHV?**
A. For each original or duplicate certificate of title issued for an off-highway vehicle present or registered in this State, the anticipated cost is \$20.00. For each title issued for an OHV not present in or registered in this State, the anticipated cost is \$35.00.

A processing fee will be added for each complete change of ownership of an OHV. The anticipated cost of the processing fee is \$8.25.

All title fees will be finalized upon approval of the proposed Nevada Administrative Codes.

14. **Q. Can I go to the DMV to complete my OHV transaction?**
A. With the exception of bringing an OHV to a DMV inspection station when the vehicle identification number is missing or illegible, no other OHV transactions may be completed at DMV offices. OHV transactions are conducted via regular mail or through a Nevada licensed OHV dealer. A limited number of transactions will also be available on the web and by fax.

15. **Q. Where can I find a list of Nevada licensed OHV dealers?**
A. All dealers in Nevada that sell OHVs are required to be licensed through the Nevada DMV. A list of these dealers will be available on the DMV website at www.dmvnv.com.

16. **Q. Can an OHV dealer register and/or title my OHV for me?**
A. A Nevada licensed OHV dealer can submit the necessary documentation to the DMV, and you will later receive your OHV title and registration decal in the mail.

17. **Q. Can I register and/or title my OHV by mail?**
A. Yes. The forms and instructions necessary for you to register and/or title your OHV will be available on the DMV website.

18. **Q. What if I purchased my OHV prior to the effective date of the program? (NRS 490.082)**
A. If you purchased your OHV prior to the effective date of the program, you are required to obtain a registration decal within one year. Obtaining a title is optional. The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.

19. **Q. Can I purchase a registration decal without purchasing title? (NRS 490.082)**

- A. You can purchase a registration decal without purchasing a title if you purchased your OHV prior to the program effective date. If you purchased your OHV on or after the effective date, you are required to obtain a title. The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.

20. Q. Can I purchase a title without getting a registration decal? (NRS 490.082)

- A. With certain exceptions, Nevada law requires all owners of an OHV to obtain a registration decal (See question 6).

21. Q. What information is required to purchase a registration decal? (NRS 490.082)

- A. If the OHV was purchased prior to the effective date of the program, the following is required:
1. Proof the OHV was purchased prior to the effective date of the program by a purchase agreement or affidavit available on the DMV website (Form OHV-001A).
 2. Proof you are the owner of the OHV by an ownership document or affidavit available on the DMV website (Form OHV-001A).
 3. Proof of the vehicle identification number (VIN) by a VIN inspection conducted by a Nevada dealer.

If the OHV was purchased on or after July 1, 2012, the following is required:

1. If sales tax is due, proof that sales tax was paid by an Off-Highway Vehicle Report of Sale from a Nevada dealer or a Use Tax Clearance Certificate (Form APP-08.01) from the Department of Taxation. If sales tax is not due (as in a private party sale), an affidavit available on the DMV website must be completed (Form OHV-001C).
2. Proof you are the owner of the OHV by an ownership document or affidavit available on the DMV website (Form OHV-001B or OHV-001C).
3. Proof of the vehicle identification number (VIN) by an Off-Highway Vehicle Report of Sale from a Nevada dealer, a VIN inspection conducted by a Nevada dealer if the OHV was purchased from an out-of-state dealer or the ownership documents if the OHV was previously registered in Nevada.

22. Q. My OHV does not have a VIN, or the VIN is missing or illegible. What steps should I take?

- A. You must bring your OHV to a DMV inspection station. If a vehicle identification number (VIN) is assigned, the cost of the assignment is \$2, which must be included with the registration decal fee.

23. Q. Do I have to pay tax on the purchase of my OHV?

- A. Sales tax is due in Nevada if the OHV was purchased from a dealer; however, proof that sales tax was paid is only required to purchase a registration decal if the OHV was purchased on or after the effective date of the program. The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.

If the OHV was purchased from a private party, no sales tax is due.

24. **Q. What information do I need to purchase a title? (NRS 490.082)**
A. Proof that you are the owner of the OHV by an ownership document or affidavit. *An affidavit alone will not guarantee a title will be issued. You must provide evidence satisfactory to the DMV that you are the owner of the OHV.*
25. **Q. How often to do I need to purchase a registration decal? (NRS 490.082)**
A. The registration decal expires one year after the date of issuance. If the decal is renewed after the expiration date of the current decal, a \$25 late fee will added to your decal renewal fee.
26. **Q. I now have a Certificate of Operation on my OHV from the Department of Taxation. Do I still need to get a registration decal from the DMV?**
A. You will need to obtain a registration decal on or before the program has been in effect for one year. The program will go into effect on or before July 1, 2012.
27. **Q. Do I need to have liability insurance to register my OHV?**
A. Liability insurance is not required in order to obtain a registration decal.
28. **Q. I lost the Nevada title for my OHV. How can I get a replacement?**
A. Submit an Application for Duplicate Title (OHV-007) along with the necessary fees to the DMV via mail or through a Nevada OHV dealer.
29. **Q. Where does the money go? (NRS 490.069 & 490.084)**
A. The DMV keeps a portion of the registration fees to maintain the OHV program, while the balance goes to the Fund for Off-Highway Vehicles.
30. **Q. What is the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles? (NRS 490.067 - 490.069)**
A. The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is made up of 11 voting members appointed by the Governor and nine non-voting members. The Commission is responsible for allocating money from the Fund for Off-Highway Vehicles for various projects related to off-highway vehicles.
31. **Q. Who are the members of the OHV Commission?**

- A. The voting members of the OHV Commission represent various groups and are appointed by the Governor (NRS 490.067).
The non-voting members of the OHV Commission represent various agencies and are appointed by the voting members of the OHV Commission (NRS 490.068).

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Off-Highway Vehicle Dealers and Salespersons

32. **Q. I am an OHV dealer. What licensing will be required in order for me to sell OHVs? (NRS 490.200)**
A. An Off-Highway Vehicle Dealer's license will be required to sell OHVs in Nevada.
33. **Q. My business is already licensed through the DMV. Do I need to get a new license to sell OHVs? (NRS 490.200)**
A. Yes, an OHV dealer's license will be required regardless if a dealer has a license to sell vehicles manufactured for use on road.
34. **Q. My business is already licensed through the DMV. Do I need to have a separate bond to sell OHVs?**
A. Yes. NRS 490.270 requires any OHV dealer to carry a bond of \$50,000.
35. **Q. Will my license to sell OHVs allow me to sell vehicles manufactured for on road use (NRS 490.200)?**
A. No. A dealer licensed to sell off-highway vehicles may not sell vehicles manufactured for use on road without a license issued pursuant to NRS 482.
36. **Q. I am an OHV Salesperson. What licensing will be required in order for me to sell OHVs (NRS 490.420)?**
A. If you currently have a license to sell motor vehicles in Nevada, you will be required to get a new activity on your license. If you do not have a license to sell motor vehicles in Nevada, you will be required to obtain a license to sell OHVs in Nevada.
37. **Q. Who is responsible for providing documents to the DMV for OHV titles? (NRS 490.440)**
A. A Nevada OHV dealer that sells an OHV in this State is required to submit an Off-Highway Vehicle Dealer's Report of Sale and necessary titling documents to the DMV.

38. **Q. How much can a dealership charge to submit the paperwork for an OHV title? (NRS 490.070)**
A. A dealer can charge up to \$2 for each application for a certificate of title submitted to the DMV.
39. **Q. Will I be able to submit for OHV registration decals?**
A. Nevada OHV dealers will have the ability to apply for registration decals via mail for their customers.
40. **Q. How much can a dealership charge to submit the paperwork for an OHV registration decal? (NRS 490.070)**
A. An OHV dealer will be able to charge up to \$2 for each application for a registration decal submitted to the DMV.
41. **Q. Will a dealership be able to perform VIN inspections?**
A. All vehicle identification number (VIN) inspections will be performed by licensed OHV dealers or law enforcement.
42. **Q. Will a dealership be able to assign Vehicle Identification Numbers to OHVs? (NRS 490.0835)**
A. The Department of Motor Vehicles has the responsibility for assigning all VINs.
43. **Q. Will a dealership be able to transact directly with the DMV?**
A. Dealers will only be able to transact with the DMV via regular mail or by phone. Dealers will have access to most forms and guides on the DMV website at www.dmvnv.com. The DMV will provide books of Off-Highway Vehicle Dealer's Report of Sale (Form OHV-004) to each OHV dealer upon request.