

Titles

To ensure that a person or company has the legal right to register a vehicle, titles are verified on vehicles being registered and on account name changes. We must be able to tie the name on the title to the name that will appear on the registration. For example, if the name on the title reads "John Doe" and the application for registration reads "John Doe Trucking," we can tie the two names together. If the name on the title shows "John Doe" and the application for registration reads "ABC Trucking," we do not know who actually owns the vehicle and will request additional information.

Owner-operators who lease their vehicles (with driver) to Idaho companies do not have to show the lessee's name on the title. If the vehicle is titled in Idaho, the title should show the owner-operator as owner.

With proof of ownership (bill of sale), we will issue a TVC valid for 45 days or until the end of the registration year (if less than 45 days) in lieu of a registration. License plates cannot be released until proof of Idaho title application is submitted for Idaho-based vehicles.

(For more information, contact the Titles Unit 208-584-4343 or contact a local County Assessor's Office.)