



Off-Highway Motorcycle Dual Registration Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Will I be issued a Minnesota vehicle title by registering my off-highway motorcycle with Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS)?

A: No. Minnesota Statute 168A.085 prohibits issuance of a Minnesota title for a vehicle that was not manufactured in compliance with applicable federal emission standards in force at the time of manufacture. Registration with DVS does not constitute proof of ownership for a vehicle.

Q: What do I need to do to make my off-highway motorcycle qualify for registration with DVS so I can ride it on public roads and highways legally?

A: You must bring it into compliance with both Federal and State requirements for a motorcycle for on-highway use. These requirements can be found in Minnesota Statute 169, and Federal Regulation 49 CFR 571. DVS has created a form where you will attest that you have brought the motorcycle into compliance. The form also contains a non-inclusive list of some of the requirements that must be met.

You must also have and maintain registration with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) as an off-highway motorcycle. You will be asked to show proof of this registration upon initial application for DVS registration, and you may be asked to show this proof when applying for renewal.

Q: How much does it cost to register my newly converted off-highway to on-highway motorcycle with DVS?

A: There is a \$10 annual registration fee. The registration period is from March 1 through February 28th (February 29th in a leap year). There also may be transaction and filing fees associated with the registration.

Q: Do I need a motorcycle endorsement on my driver license to operate my converted off-highway motorcycle on public streets and highways?

A: Yes.

Q: Is there an inspection that my newly converted off-highway to on-highway motorcycle must pass?

A: No. You, as the owner, must certify that you have made the required modifications to bring the motorcycle into compliance with the requirements for on-highway use. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure this is done.

Q: What off-road vehicles qualify as "motorcycles" for registration with DVS?

A: An off-highway motorcycle is defined in MS 84.787 as: a motorized, off-highway vehicle traveling on two wheels and having a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control, including a vehicle that is registered under chapter 168 for highway use if it is also used for off-highway operation on trails or unimproved terrain.

All-terrain vehicles, mopeds, go-carts, etc. are not included in this definition.