

# How to Read Vehicle Title, Registration, Mobile Home, Watercraft, Snowmobile, and Moped Records



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## **INTRODUCTION**

The following records and their definitions are provided as a service from the Michigan Department of State (MDOS) in order for you, the record requestor, to better understand vehicle, mobile home, watercraft, snowmobile, and moped records.

Each line of the record is numbered. A corresponding line number with an explanation is listed under the LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION PAGES detailing what each item in the record means.

Any questions regarding the record can be answered by calling the Department of State Information Center at 1-888-SOS-MICH (1-888-767-6424).



Every motor vehicle, trailer coach, and trailer when driven or moved upon public roads is subject to registration and titling requirements under the Michigan Vehicle Code unless otherwise exempt. For information on exemptions check online for the Michigan Vehicle Code at <http://www.michiganlegislature.org> (Chapter 257 of the Michigan Compiled Laws) or contact the Department of State Information Center at 1-888-SOS-MICH (1-888-767-6424).

### VEHICLE TITLE AND REGISTRATION RECORD

1. A SOS 28 10/22/2003 11:39:45 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 53;1;1GKEK12Z82J287055.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
- 4a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 4b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
5. TITLE INFORMATION:
6. 2002 GMC 1GKEK12Z82J287055 36 STA-WAGON M ORIGINAL
7. 01/22/2003 269P0180375 YUKON 4745 A
  
8. JOHNNY TITLEHOLDER &
9. MARGARET TITLEHOLDER
10. 10959 HILL ST
11. DETROIT 48386-3752
  
12. \*FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR\*
  
13. BIG MONEY BANK
14. PO BOX 811 12/16/2002
15. ROCKEYSVILLE MD 21030
  
16. REGISTRATION INFORMATION: EIV=Y
  
17. VEG79 AUTO COMM CO-TRANSFER
18. 12/10/2003 T-630-145-585-839
19. MI SOS



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- LINE 4a.** Title transaction can be performed in a Branch Office or BAM.
- LINE 4b.** Title transaction can be performed only in a Branch Office.
- LINE 5.** Type of record.
- LINE 6.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee category or weight. Body Style. Special mailing code (**D** - Dealer **M** - other **S** - Secured Party or Lien holder) Title transaction type.
- LINE 7.** Date of title issuance. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type (**A**- actual **B**- not actual **C**- exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 8.** Name of titled owner.
- LINE 9.** Name of titled co-owner. (If more than one vehicle owner.)
- LINE 10.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 11.** City of residence. Zip code.
- LINE 12.** Probate law permits the recording of "FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR" on titles when there is joint ownership.
- LINE 13.** Lienholder's name.
- LINE 14.** Lienholder's street address and or P.O. box. Filing date of the lien.
- LINE 15.** Lienholder's city, state, and zip code.
- LINE 16.** Registration information identifier. Electronic Insurance Verification (**Y** - Yes, **N** - No).
- LINE 17.** License plate number registered to this vehicle. Style of plate. Code for type of registration or plate (CO-Commercial plate, PC-Passenger plate). Registration transaction type.
- LINE 18.** Expiration date of plate. Driver's license number of plate's owner.
- LINE 19.** End of record identifier.



If a vehicle is abandoned on public property (18-48 hours), law enforcement or their designee may tag the vehicle for removal and/or arrange for the vehicle to be towed. If the vehicle is abandoned on private property, the property owner may arrange for immediate removal of the vehicle. Effective October 1, 2005, law enforcement and towing agencies have partnered with the Michigan Department of State (MDOS) to expedite the abandoned vehicle removal and notification process.

### ABANDONED VEHICLE RECORD

1. A SOS 19 04/17/2006 15:20:58 IP10\_28\_15\_90/MIPC.
2. 54;1;1FFFG35K1RF999600.
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
- 4a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 4b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
5. TITLE INFORMATION:
6. 1994 CHEVROLET 1FFFG35K1RF999600 16 STA-WAGON DUP
7. 02/03/2006 543T3670330 BLAZER 80000 A
8. MICROFILM HISTORY:
9. 543E0330612 02/06/1994 ORIGINAL 000015 A
10. ANNIE RAY DRIVER
11. 30369 ANYWHERE DR
12. NOVI 48377
13. \*ADDRESS FROM DRIVER LICENSE\*
14. NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD
15. \*\* 02/31/2006 ABANDONED - CONFIRM WITH ENTERING JURISDICTION MI8934001 \*\*
16. REGISTRATION INFORMATION: EIV=Y
17. CCZ70G CO-ORIGINAL
18. 02/31/2006 D-000-000-000-000
19. 12 68.00 003 63 12/09/2005 S3435460294
20. MI SOS



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- LINE 4b.** Title transaction can be performed only in a Branch Office.
- LINE 5.** Type of record.
- LINE 6.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee category or weight. Body Style. Title transaction type.
- LINE 7.** Date current title issued. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type (A-actual, B-not actual, C-exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 8.** Information identifier.
- LINE 9.** **(Oldest)** Microfilm trail – Branch number/Julian date/transaction number. Calendar date. Title transaction type (Original, Transfer, Correction, Duplicate). Mileage of vehicle at time of transaction.
- LINE 10.** Titled owner's name.
- LINE 11.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 12.** Owner's city and zip code.
- LINE 13.** Address indicator (where address was obtained).
- LINE 14.** Secured interest information. If no secured interest is on record, this area will state "NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD."
- LINE 15.** Title flash information; Abandoned vehicle flash (Date of towing and law enforcement Originating Agency Identifier [ORI] information).
- LINE 16.** Registration information. Electronic Insurance Verification (Y – Yes, N – No)
- LINE 17.** Vehicle plate number and plate type (CO-company; ORIGINAL-original plate).
- LINE 18.** Plate expiration date and owner's driver's license number.
- LINE 19.** Total number of months for this plate, price of the plate, fee code, county code, date of transaction and Julian date/branch number/transaction number.
- LINE 20.** End of record identifier.

## HOW TO READ THE MICHIGAN AUTO LOST & FOUND WEB SITE

<http://services.sos.state.mi.us/autolostandfound/>

To begin, select your search type, enter either the Vehicle Identification Number or license plate number and click "Submit." The VIN can be found on the vehicle's title, registration or certificate of insurance.

If the vehicle is found in the abandoned vehicle database, results will display the year, make and VIN of the abandoned vehicle, where it was found, the date it was taken into custody, Law enforcement agency that reported the vehicle abandoned, the court having jurisdiction over the abandoned vehicle, and where it is being held. Vehicle owner information is not included.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://services.sos.state.mi.us/autolostandfound/Locator.aspx>. The browser's address bar and menu bar are visible. The website header includes the Michigan Department of State logo, the name of the Secretary of State, Ruth Johnson, and the Michigan.gov logo. Below the header, there are navigation links for Michigan.gov Home, Michigan Auto Lost & Found Home, SOS Home, FAQ, Online Services, and Contact SOS. The main content area is titled "Welcome to Michigan's Auto Lost & Found!" and features a search form. The search form has two radio buttons for "VIN" (selected) and "Plate". Below this is a text input field for the "Vehicle Identification Number" containing the value "1LNHM82W71Y700121" and a "Submit" button. To the left of the search form is a "Quick Links" section with a list of links: "Instructions for Owners", "Replacement TR-52L Form", "Certificate of Scrapping", "Custodian Disposition", "Search for a vehicle", "How to find the VIN", and "Glossary of Terms". To the right of the search form is a large empty box containing labels for search results: "Vehicle information for VIN:", "Year:", "Make:", "VIN:", "Location from which vehicle was removed:", "Date vehicle was taken into custody:", "Law Enforcement agency:", "Court of Jurisdiction:", "Custodian:", and "Disposition:".

Michigan Auto Lost & Found: Search for Vehicle

**Department of State**  
Ruth Johnson, Secretary of State

MICHIGAN.GOV  
Michigan's Official Web Site

Michigan.gov Home | Michigan Auto Lost & Found Home | SOS Home | FAQ | Online Services | Contact SOS

**Michigan Auto Lost & Found**

Select Search Type:  
 VIN  Plate

Vehicle Identification Number  
1LNHM82W71Y700121

Submit

**Quick Links**

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- Glossary of Terms

Welcome to Michigan's Auto Lost & Found!

Vehicle information for VIN:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Make: \_\_\_\_\_

VIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Location from which vehicle was removed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date vehicle was taken into custody: \_\_\_\_\_

Law Enforcement agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Court of Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Custodian: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposition: \_\_\_\_\_

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|---|--|
| <b>YEAR:</b>                                    | Model year of vehicle.   |
| <b>MAKE:</b>                                    | The make of a vehicle as established by the vehicle manufacturer.  |
| <b>VIN:</b>                                     | Vehicle Identification Number  |
| <b>LOCATION FROM WHICH VEHICLE WAS REMOVED:</b> | Street address or cross-streets where the abandoned vehicle was found.   |
| <b>DATE VEHICLE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY:</b>         | Date of tow.   |
| <b>LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY:</b>                  | The law enforcement agency that was contacted concerning this abandoned vehicle.   |
| <b>COURT OF JURISADICITION:</b>                 | The district or municipal court that has the power, right or authority to interpret and apply the law in the territory from where the vehicle was removed or deemed abandoned.   |
| <b>CUSTODIAN:</b>                               | The person or business/legal entity responsible for storing an abandoned vehicle taken into custody. Usually, this is the towing agency.   |
| <b>DISPOSITION:</b>                             | The final determination for an abandoned vehicle. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disposition: Redeemed by Owner/Lien holder</li> <li>• Disposition: Sold at Auction</li> <li>• Disposition: Transferred Ownership without Sale</li> <li>• Disposition: Vehicle Scrapped</li> </ul> |



Vehicle holds, messages and flashes resulting from alcohol-related offenses or additional suspensions on the driver's or owner's record will appear on the title and registration record. These messages may appear separately or in combination, depending on the circumstances.

### **VEHICLE TITLE AND REGISTRATION RECORD CONTAINING REPEAT OFFENDER AND REGISTRATION DENIAL INFORMATION**

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7. 01/22/2003 269P0180375 YUKON 4745 A
8. DANIEL CARR &
9. MABEL ANNE DRIVER
10. 10959 HILL ST
11. DETROIT 48386-3752
12. \*FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR\*
13. MONEY NATIONAL BANK
14. PO BOX 8117 12/16/2002
15. ROCKEYSVILLE MD 21030
16. \*\* 04/11/2006 OWNER ABOVE MUST APPLY FOR DUP TITLE - RO TRANSFER STOPPED\*\*
17. VEHICLE ORDERED IMMOBILIZED FOR DRIVER T-630-145-585-839 FROM 4/04/2006 THRU 04/04/2007 WARREN DISTRICT COURT. NO TITLE TRANSFER EXCEPT TO NON-IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OR BY COURT ORDER.(MI5080635 FROM OFFENSE OF 04/03/2006)
18. 904C HOLD-NO TITLE TRANSFER EXCEPT TO NON-IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OR BY COURT ORDER.(MI8234400 FROM OFFENSE OF 04/03/2006)
19. REGISTRATION INFORMATION: EIV=Y
20. VEG79 AUTO COMM CO-TRANSFER
21. 12/10/2003 T-630-145-585-839
22. 904C HOLD-NOT ELIGIBLE FOR METAL PLATE MI8234400 FROM OFFENSE OF 04/03/2006
23. DRIVER T630145585839 SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION DENIAL - DO NOT ISSUE REGISTRATION NO TITLE TRANSFER EXCEPT TO NON-IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OR BY COURT ORDER.
24. MI SOS



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- LINE 5.** Type of record.
- LINE 6.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee category or weight. Body Style. Special mailing code (**D** - Dealer **M** – other **S** - Secured Party or Lien holder). Title transaction type.
- LINE 7.** Date of title issuance. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type (**A**- actual **B**- not actual **C**- exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 8.** Name of titled owner.
- LINE 9.** Name of titled co-owner. (If more than one vehicle owner.)
- LINE 10.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 11.** City of residence. Zip code.
- LINE 12.** Probate law permits the recording of “FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR” on titles when there is joint ownership.
- LINE 13.** Lien holder’s name.
- LINE 14.** Lien holder’s street address and/or P.O. box. Filing date of the lien.
- LINE 15.** Lien holder’s city, state, and zip code.
- LINE 16.** Title flash information appears on a record when the current title has been surrendered to a SOS branch office in an attempt to transfer ownership between immediate family members.
- LINE 17.** Driver’s license number of the person for which the vehicle has been immobilized.

Immobilization dates and the name of the court ordering the immobilization. Alert to the SOS branch office that the title cannot be transferred to an immediate family member. The originating agency identifier and the offense date.

- LINE 18.** Alerts the SOS branch office of a Repeat Offender 904C title hold, preventing the transfer of title to an immediate family member. The originating agency identifier and the offense date.
- LINE 19.** Registration information. Electronic Insurance Verification (Y – Yes, N – No).
- LINE 20.** License plate number registered to this vehicle. Style of plate. Code for type of registration or plate. Registration transaction type.
- LINE 21.** Expiration date of plate. Driver's license number of plate's owner.
- LINE 22.** Alerts the SOS branch office of a Repeat Offender 904C plate hold, preventing the issuance of a metal plate. The originating agency identifier and the offense date.
- LINE 23.** Driver's license number of the owner who is registration denied. Alert to the SOS branch office that no registration activity is permitted and that the title cannot be transferred to an immediate family member.
- LINE 24.** End of record identifier.



### VEHICLE REGISTRATION RECORD SHOWING CANCELLED INVALID REPEAT OFFENDER PLATE

- 1. A SOS 52 04/19/2006 22:42:08 IP10\_28\_17\_87/MIPC.
- 2. 12;VEG79.
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
- 4. TITLE INFORMATION:
- 5. \*\* NO TITLE INFORMATION ON COMPUTER \*\*
- 6. VEG79
- 7. 03/13/2006 PC-REPLACED
- 8. \*\*NOT A VALID PLATE\*\*  
\*INVLD 904C PERMIT\*
- 9. \*AUTO COMM\*
- 10. DANIEL CARR
- 11. 10959 HILL ST DETROIT 48386-3752
- 12. MI SOS



## **VEHICLE REGISTRATION RECORD SHOWING CANCELLED INVALID REPEAT OFFENDER PLATE LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION**

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- LINE 3b.** A vehicle registration transaction can only be performed in a Branch Office, Self Service Station or Renewal-by-Mail. It cannot be performed on BAM.
- LINE 4.** Type of record.
- LINE 5.** Notice of absence of title information. Plate is not registered to a specific vehicle.
- LINE 6.** Plate number.
- LINE 7.** Expiration date. Plate type code (PC-REPLACED). Transaction type.
- LINE 8.** Cancellation of plate with Repeat Offender 904C status.
- LINE 9.** Style of plate.
- LINE 10.** Plate owner's name.
- LINE 11.** Address of plate's owner.
- LINE 12.** End of record identifier.



**CANCELLED REGISTRATION ISSUED IN VIOLATION OF REPEAT OFFENDER OR  
REGISTRATION DENIAL STATUS RECORD**

1. A SOS 52 04/19/2006 22:42:08 IP10\_28\_17\_87/MIPC.
2. 12;VEG79.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ##/##/####
  
4. TITLE INFORMATION:
  
5. \*\* NO TITLE INFORMATION ON COMPUTER \*\*
  
6. VEG79
7. 03/13/2006 PC-REPLACED
8. \*\*NOT A VALID PLATE\*\*  
\*TAKE PLATE\*
9. \*AUTO COMM\*
10. MABEL ANNE DRIVER
11. 10959 HILL ST DETROIT 48386-3752
  
12. MI SOS



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- LINE 4.** Type of record.
- LINE 5.** Notice of absence of title information. Plate is not registered to a specific vehicle.
- LINE 6.** Plate number.
- LINE 7.** Expiration date. Plate type code (PC-REPLACED). Transaction type.
- LINE 8.** Alert to law enforcement to confiscate plate.
- LINE 9.** Style of plate.
- LINE 10.** Plate owner's name.
- LINE 11.** Address of plate's owner.
- LINE 11.** End of record identifier.



## **LINKS FOR MORE REPEAT OFFENDER INFORMATION**

Repeat Offender Laws

[http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,1607,7-127-1627\\_8665\\_9070-21501--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,1607,7-127-1627_8665_9070-21501--,00.html)

Vehicle Immobilization

<http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,1607,7-127-1583-32399--,00.html>

Vehicle Registration Denial

<http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,1607,7-127-1583-32420--,00.html>

Repeat Offender Inquiry

<http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,1607,7-127--32563--,00.html>



In 1979 Michigan's salvage title law took effect. When a late-model vehicle suffers damage between 75% and 91% of its pre-damaged cash value it becomes a "distressed vehicle." The regular title is replaced with a salvage title. If the vehicle is damaged 91% or more of its pre-damaged cash value the title is replaced with a scrap title. The following is an example of a salvage title record. The same information would show on a scrap title record except the words **\*SCRAP VEHICLE\*** would show on line 4 of the record.

### SALVAGE TITLE RECORD

1. A SOS 13 10/28/2003 09:05:29 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 53;1;JH4DC6352WS207468.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
4. TITLE INFORMATION:
5. \*SALVAGE VEHICLE\*
6. 1998 ACURA JH4DC6352WS207468 17 TWO DOOR TRANSFER SALVAGE
7. 05/10/2001 298M1390136 INTEGRA 30497 A
  
8. COLOR - SIL
9. \*NON-SALVAGEABLE PARTS
  
10. FRONT BUMPER - HOOD - R FENDER - REAR BUMPER - L REAR QTR PANEL -
11. L FRONT DOOR - FRAME -
  
12. WE PAY INSURANCE
13. 22V293565
14. 14331 MIDDLETOWN RD
15. ANYWHERE 48154-4539
  
16. NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD
  
17. MI SOS



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- LINE 4.** Type of record.
- LINE 5.** Vehicle status. (May also show as a **\*SCRAP VEHICLE\***.)
- LINE 6.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee Category or weight. Body Style. Title transaction type. Vehicle Brand.
- LINE 7.** Date of current title issuance. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type (**A-** actual **B-** not actual **C-** exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 8.** Color of vehicle.
- LINE 9.** Information identifier.
- LINE 10.** Non-salvageable parts list.
- LINE 11.** Non-salvageable parts list continued.
- LINE 12.** Titled owner's name.
- LINE 13.** Insurance claim number. (Not shown on all title records.)
- LINE 14.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 15.** Owner's city and zip code.
- LINE 16.** Lienholder's name.
- LINE 17.** End of record identifier.



## **SALVAGE AND SCRAP VEHICLE TITLE RECORD NOTES**

When a vehicle with a salvage title has been repaired or rebuilt, it cannot be used on-road or titled and plated as a regular rebuilt vehicle until it is recertified by a specially trained law enforcement officer.

A title that has been recertified for road use will show the following legend:

**\*\*THIS VEHICLE WAS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED A SALVAGE TITLE \*\***

Beginning July 1, 1994, a scrap title is issued to a vehicle that has one or more major component parts that have been wrecked, destroyed, damaged, stolen, or missing to the extent that the total estimated cost of repair (parts and labor) for the vehicle is 91% or more of its pre-damaged value.

A title that is issued under the scrap law will show the following legend.

**\*\*SCRAP VEHICLE\*\***

Salvage vehicle titles are **ORANGE** in color.

Scrap vehicle titles are **RED** in color.

Regular vehicle titles are **GREEN** in color.



## MOBILE HOME TITLE RECORD

1. A SOS 4 05/06/2013 13:41:32 IP10\_28\_15\_108/MIPC.
2. 54;1;4098A.
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ##/##/####
4. TITLE INFORMATION:
5. \*DEPT. OF COMMERCE MOBILE HOME TITLE\*
6. 1964 MARLETTE 4098A TRANSFER
7. 06/19/2012 299Z3530084
8. ANNE C DRIVER
9. 1234 MAIN ST
10. ANYWHERE 48678
11. NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD
12. MI SOS



All mobile homes in Michigan (even those included in a property deed) are subject to the titling requirements provided in Public Act 624 of 1978. The only exception is a mobile home owned by a manufacturer, or a mobile home being held for resale by a licensed mobile home dealer. For information on mobile homes contact the Department of State Information Center at 1-888-SOS-MICH (1-888-767-6424).

#### **MOBILE HOME TITLE RECORD LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION**

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal of inquiry.
- LINE 2.** Inquiry code and Serial Number from Mobile Home.
- LINE 3a.** A vehicle title transaction can be performed in a Branch Office, Self Service Station, or BAM.
- LINE 3b.** A vehicle title transaction can only be performed in a Branch Office. It cannot be performed on BAM.
- LINE 4.** Type of record
- LINE 5.** Type of title. Type of transaction that is most recent record.
- LINE 6.** Mobile Home Year, Make, and Serial Number
- LINE 7.** Date of current title issuance. Current title number
- LINE 8.** Titled owner's name
- LINE 9.** Street address of titled owner
- LINE 10.** Owner's city and zip code
- LINE 11.** Secured interest information. If no secured interest is on record, this area will state "NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD."
- LINE 12.** End of record identifier.



All watercraft on Michigan waters, including privately owned lakes and waterways, must be registered and display a decal except those specifically exempt. For information on exempt watercraft contact the Department of State Information Center at 1-888-SOS-MICH (1-888-767-6424).

### **WATERCRAFT REGISTRATION RECORD**

1. A SOS 34 10/22/2003 13:34:14 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 21;8344GM.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
  
- 4a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 4b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
  
5. 03/31/2006 WC-RENEWAL
6. JOHN BOATER
7. 8211 GREEN RD SOMER OH 45064
8. 1986 STARCRAFT 15 FT 00 IN
9. ALUMINUM OUTBOARD PLEASURE
10. P070RA01076 84 OPEN GAS 03/20/2003
11. MI SOS



## **WATERCRAFT REGISTRATION RECORD LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION**

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal of inquiry.
- LINE 2.** Inquiry code and registration number from watercraft.
- LINE 3a.** A watercraft registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office, Renewal-by-Mail, or BAM.
- LINE 3b.** A watercraft registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office or Renewal-by-Mail.
- LINE 4a.** Title transaction can be performed in a Branch Office or BAM.
- LINE 4b.** Title transaction can be performed only in a Branch Office.
- LINE 5.** Expiration date of registration. Type of registration. Type of registration transaction.
- LINE 6.** Name of registration owner.
- LINE 7.** Street address of registration owner. City, state, and zip code.
- LINE 8.** Year of watercraft. Make of watercraft. Length of watercraft (feet and inches.)
- LINE 9.** Hull material of watercraft. Power source and how watercraft is used.
- LINE 10.** Last transaction validation. County code. Type of watercraft. Fuel type. Date of transaction.
- LINE 11.** End of record identifier.



All watercraft 20 feet and over in length must be titled in Michigan unless exempt. All watercraft with a permanently affixed engine, regardless of length, must be titled in Michigan unless exempt. For watercraft exemption information contact the Department of State Information Center at 1-888-SOS-MICH (1-888-767-6424).

### **WATERCRAFT TITLE RECORD**

1. A SOS 4 10/23/2003 08:56:51 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 22;1;STRS6340D786.
3. 1986 STARCRAFT OPEN 16FT 0IN SFM160
4. ORIGINAL CC54262 05/23/1986 STRS6340D786
  
- 5a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 5b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
- 6a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS TITLE RECORD CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 6b. THIS TITLE RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
7. JOHN BOATER
8. 15 WOODE DR
9. PONTIAC 48340
  
10. OLD BIG BANK
11. 1300 W NORTH ST 04/25/1986
12. DETROIT
  
13. MI SOS



## **WATERCRAFT TITLE RECORD LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION**

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of inquiry.
- LINE 2.** Inquiry code and hull identification number.
- LINE 3.** Year of watercraft. Make of watercraft. Type of watercraft. Length of watercraft. Model of watercraft.
- LINE 4.** Title transaction type. Title number. Title issue date. Hull identification number.
- LINE 5a.** A watercraft registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office, Renewal-by-Mail, or BAM.
- LINE 5b.** A watercraft registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office, or Renewal-by-Mail.
- LINE 6a.** Title transaction can be performed in a Branch Office or BAM.
- LINE 6b.** Title transaction can be performed only in a Branch Office.
- LINE 7.** Titled owner's name.
- LINE 8.** Titled owner's street address.
- LINE 9.** Titled owner's city and zip code.
- LINE 10.** Lien holder's name.
- LINE 11.** Lien holder's street address or P.O. Box. Date of lien placement.
- LINE 12.** Lien holder's city of residence.
- LINE 13.** End of record identifier.



A snowmobile is any motor driven vehicle designed for travel primarily on snow or ice. It may utilize sled type runners or skis, an endless belt tread, or any combination of these, or it can have any other similar means of contact with the operating surface. All snowmobiles are registered unless used on private property. Snowmobiles are not titled.

### SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATION RECORD

1. A SOS 20 10/30/2003 10:49:36 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 25;EC8438.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON #####
  
4. 09/30/2005 SN-ORIGINAL
5. JOHN SNOWMOBILER
6. 34278 42ND ST PAW PAW 49079
7. 1998 YAMAHA 8J6022522
8. 201N3130165 80
9. MI SOS

\*\* Snowmobile liens do not show on mainframe records but are on the BOS record \*\*



## SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATION RECORD LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of inquiry.
- LINE 2.** Inquiry code and snowmobile registration number.
- LINE 3a.** A snowmobile registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office, Self Service Station, Renewal-by-Mail or BAM.
- LINE 3b.** A snowmobile registration transaction can only be performed in a Branch Office or Renewal-by-Mail.
- LINE 4.** Expiration date of snowmobile registration. Code for type of registration (SN-ORIGINAL). Type of registration transaction.
- LINE 5.** Name of registered owner.
- LINE 6.** Street address of registered owner. City of residence and zip code of registered owner.
- LINE 7.** Model year of snowmobile. Make of snowmobile. Snowmobile identification number.
- LINE 8.** Registration transaction number. County code.
- LINE 9.** End of record identifier.



A moped is defined as a two or three-wheeled vehicle which does not exceed 100 cc's piston displacement, has a top speed of no more that 30 miles per hour on a level surface, and does not have a gearshift. Mopeds are not titled.

### **MOPED REGISTRATION RECORD**

1. A SOS 16 02/19/2004 10:43:40 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 24;K869D.
  
- 3a. TRANSACTION PROCESSING FOR THIS REGISTRATION CAN BE PERFORMED ON BAM OR BOS
- 3b. THIS REGISTRATION RECORD WAS MARKED AS BOS/LEGACY OWNED ON ####/####
  
4. 04/30/2004 MP-ORIGINAL
5. JAMES RONALD HAGMAN
6. 111 N BRIDGE ST LANSING 48918
7. 2001 SUZUKI RFBSCAAS11B101210
8. 226M1410432 23
9. MI SOS



## **MOPED REGISTRATION RECORD LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION**

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of inquiry.
- LINE 2.** Inquiry code and registration number.
- LINE 3a.** A moped registration transaction can be performed in a Branch Office.  
**LINE 3b.** A moped registration transaction can only be performed in a Branch Office.
- LINE 4.** Expiration date of moped registration. Code for type of registration (MP-ORIGINAL). Type of registration transaction.
- LINE 5.** Name of registered owner.
- LINE 6.** Street address of registered owner. City of residence and zip code of registered owner.
- LINE 7.** Model year of moped. Make of moped. Moped identification number.
- LINE 8.** Registration transaction number. County code.
- LINE 9.** End of record identifier.



The following is a list of several codes and their definitions that are used with title and registration records.

### TRANSACTION TYPES

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| <b>CORR</b>       | Corrected title   |
| <b>DUP</b>        | Duplicate title   |
| <b>FOREIGN</b>    | Title issued to vehicles entering Michigan from another state or country.   |
| <b>INCOMPLETE</b> | Title issued for ownership to complete by a secondary manufacturer.   |
| <b>INTRANSIT</b>  | 14-day permit issued for transporting vehicle to another state. No title printed.   |
| <b>MEMO</b>       | Registration issued without issuing a Michigan title. Allowed when the title is being held by an out-of-state lien holder or lessor.                                    |
| <b>NO TAX</b>     | Issued for ownership only. Plates cannot be purchased for this vehicle until taxes are paid. Commonly referred to as a re-sale title.                                   |
| <b>ORIGINAL</b>   | Original title for new vehicle first sold in Michigan.  |
| <b>ORV</b>        | Off Road Vehicle title issued to vehicles not registered for highway use.   |
| <b>REPO</b>       | Issued when a vehicle is repossessed by lien holder or secured party.   |
| <b>STOLEN-DUP</b> | A title issued on a vehicle that is stolen and has not been recovered. Usually used to transfer vehicle ownership to insurance company following settlement of a claim. |
| <b>TRANSFER</b>   | Title issued following ownership transfer.  |

### REGISTRATION TYPE CODES

|  |                                 |                             |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>AR</b> = Amateur radio operator         | <b>CH</b> = Special cause plate | <b>CL</b> = College plate   |
| <b>CO</b> = Commercial plate               | <b>DX</b> = Handicapped plate   | <b>FM</b> = Farm plate      |
| <b>LS</b> = Legislative plate              | <b>MC</b> = Motorcycle plate    | <b>MU</b> = Municipal plate |
| <b>PC</b> = Passenger plate                | <b>PE</b> = Personalized plate  | <b>TL</b> = Trailer plate   |
| <b>SC</b> = Special mobile equipment plate | <b>MP</b> = Moped               | <b>SN</b> = Snowmobile      |

**Electronic insurance verification (EIV)** indicates if insurance was reported electronically by the insurance agency for a vehicle. EIV does not display for trailer body styles.





### **SPECIAL MAILING CODES**

- D** Title was mailed to an automobile dealer.
- M** Title was mailed somewhere other than owner, dealer, or secured party address on record.
- S** Title was mailed to lien holder or secured party.

### **TITLE BRANDS**

- MUNICIPAL** Vehicle used by a unit of government (city, county, township, public college or university, etc.)
- POLICE** Vehicle used by law enforcement.
- TAXI** Vehicle used as a taxicab.
- FLOOD** Vehicle acquired by an insurance company as part of the settlement of a water damage claim.



## TITLE FLASHES

A title FLASH is an indicator that may appear on a vehicle title record to show special information about that vehicle or to show that special action may be necessary before any new title transaction can be processed for that vehicle. Below in all capital letters is the wording that may appear on the title record. Below each FLASH is a definition of the flash.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) STOLEN – CONFIRM WITH ENTERING JURISDICTION MIXXXXXX \*\***

This FLASH indicates the vehicle has been reported stolen. Also listed is the Originating Agency Identifier of the police agency that has reported the vehicle as stolen.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) ABANDONED – CONFIRM WITH ENTERING JURISDICTION MIXXXXXX \*\***

This FLASH indicates the vehicle has been reported abandoned. Also listed is the Originating Agency Identifier of the police agency that has reported the vehicle as abandoned.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) JUNKED – TITLE NO XXXXXXXXXXXX \*\***

The title for this vehicle has been cancelled on the date indicated because the vehicle was reported as being junked.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) GKL – CONTACT SOS – CASE NO XXXXXX \*\***

A Garage Keepers Lien has been placed against the vehicle in order for a repair facility to secure an ownership document to recover costs that were not paid by owner for repairs made to the vehicle.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) TITLE NO XXXXXXXXXXXX CANCELLED. OUT-OF-STATE – XX \*\***

The title for this vehicle has been cancelled to another state where it is now titled and registered. The state is indicated by the two-letter abbreviation next to OUT-OF-STATE.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) HELD IN ABEYANCE – CONTACT SOS \*\***

No transaction for this vehicle can be processed because of a previous transaction being incomplete.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) RETURNS – BRXXX (RETURN CODE) (BR DATE) CASE NO XXXX \*\***

A transaction for this vehicle has been returned to either the customer or a Secretary of State branch office as incomplete.

**\*\* (FLASH DATE) TITLE CANCELLED – (REASON) \*\***

The title for this vehicle or watercraft has been cancelled due to a change in title status.