

WAC 308-56A-455 Assembled and homemade vehicles. (1) **What constitutes an assembled vehicle?** An assembled vehicle is a vehicle that has been constructed using a cab, body, or frame from two or more vehicles and has the same appearance as a vehicle that was manufactured under a specific year, make, and model by a manufacturer but the original vehicle identification number (VIN) no longer accurately describes the vehicle. Assembled vehicles do not include glider kits, custom vehicles, street rods, salvage, or kit vehicles.

(2) **How is the model year determined for an assembled vehicle?** The Washington state patrol will determine the model year of an assembled vehicle upon inspection of the vehicle.

(3) **What constitutes a homemade vehicle?** A homemade vehicle is one that has been constructed from any combination of new, used, or homemade parts that does not resemble a vehicle that was manufactured under a specific year, make, and model by a manufacturer. This includes:

(a) A vehicle that has been structurally modified so that it does not have the same appearance as a similar vehicle from the same manufacturer;

(b) A vehicle that has been constructed entirely from homemade parts and materials not obtained from other vehicles; or

(c) A vehicle that has been constructed by using major component parts from one or more manufactured vehicles and cannot be identified as a specific make and model.

All homemade vehicles of a type requiring registration must be certified by the owner to meet all applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards in effect at the time construction is completed.

(4) **How is the model year determined for a homemade vehicle?** The Washington state patrol will determine the model year of a homemade vehicle upon inspection of the vehicle.

(5) **What documents must I submit with my application for a certificate of title for an assembled or homemade vehicle?** You must submit the following documents with your application for certificate of title:

(a) The certificate of title or bills of sale for each vehicle or major component part used in the assembly or construction of the vehicle. The bills of sale must be notarized unless purchased from an auto dealer or business licensed to sell auto parts. The bill(s) of sale must include:

(i) The names and addresses of the seller and purchaser;

(ii) A description of the part being sold, including the make, model and identification or serial number;

(iii) The date of sale;

(iv) The purchase price of the part; and

(v) The stock number if from a Washington licensed wrecker;

(b) A Washington state patrol inspection or inspection from other personnel authorized by the director verifying the vehicle identification number, make, model, and year;

(c) A completed declaration of value form; and

(d) A completed homemade/assembled vehicle use declaration form.

You may be required to apply for ownership in doubt as described in WAC 308-56A-210 if you do not have all the required documentation.

(6) **What is required to remove, destroy, or conceal a vehicle identification number plate on a vehicle or major component part to be used on my assembled or homemade vehicle?** The vehicle or major component part containing the VIN plate must be presented to the Washington state patrol with the VIN plate intact. The WSP will remove the VIN

plate and mark the vehicle or major component part so it can be identified when the assembled or homemade vehicle is ready for inspection.

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