

NMVTIS Brand Definition Glossary

Agricultural Vehicle

The vehicle will primarily be operated on private roads for agricultural purposes.

Antique

The vehicle is over 50 years old.

Bond Posted

The insurance company has issued a bond on the vehicle because the ownership of the vehicle cannot be proven; this allows the vehicle to be sold and titled. Note: This brand is not valid after January 17, 2003.

Classic

The vehicle is over 20 years old and adheres to other jurisdiction-specific criteria, e.g., vehicle make, condition, etc.

Collision

Vehicle damaged by collision.

Crushed

The frame or chassis of the vehicle has been crushed or otherwise destroyed so that it is physically impossible to use it in constructing a vehicle.

Disclosed Damage

The vehicle has sustained damage to the extent that the damage is required to be disclosed under the jurisdiction's damage disclosure law.

Dismantled

The vehicle can only be sold as parts and can not be legally driven.

Fire Damage

Vehicle damaged by fire.

Flood Damage

Vehicle damaged by freshwater flood (or it is unknown whether the damage was caused by fresh water or saltwater).

Former Rental

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Gray Market

Vehicle was manufactured for use outside the United States and has been brought into the United States. The vehicle is not in compliance with applicable federal standards.

OR:

Vehicle was manufactured for use outside the United States and has been brought into the United States. The vehicle is in compliance with applicable federal standards.

Hail Damage

Vehicle damaged by hail.

Hazardous Substance Contaminated Vehicle

The jurisdiction has determined that the vehicle has been contaminated by a 'hazardous substance' and is unsafe for use. Excluding flood damaged vehicles.

A 'hazardous substance' is any substance that could diminish the safety of the vehicle or cause injury to its occupants. The 'hazardous substance' has one or more, but is not limited to the following intrinsic 'hazardous properties':

- Explosiveness
- Flammability
- Ability to oxidize (accelerate a fire)
- Human toxicity (acute or chronic)
- Corrosiveness (to human tissue or metal)
- Eco toxicity (with or without bioaccumulation)
- Capacity, on contact with air or water, to develop one or more of the above properties.

Inoperable Vehicle

A motor vehicle that is substantially disassembled and for this reason is mechanically unfit or unsafe to be operated or moved upon a public street, highway, or public vehicular area. An "inoperable vehicle" has not been identified as either "junk" or "salvage". Inoperable vehicles may be titled, but no registration may be issued until such time that the vehicle has been determined roadworthy according to state regulations.

Junk

The vehicle is incapable of safe operation for use on the roads or highways and has no resale value except as a source of parts or scrap, or the vehicle's owner has irreversibly designated the vehicle as a source of parts or scrap. This vehicle shall never be titled or registered. Also known as non-repairable, scrapped, or destroyed.

Kit

A vehicle that has been built by combining a chassis with a different (non-matching VIN) frame, engine, and body parts. The VIN on the chassis is used as the vehicle's VIN.

Logging Vehicle

The vehicle will primarily be operated on private roads for logging purposes.

Manufacturer Buy Back

A vehicle that has been bought back by the manufacturer under jurisdiction - defined regulations or laws, such as lemon laws. For example, the manufacturer could be obligated to buy back the vehicle when a specified number of repair attempts fail to correct a major problem on a new vehicle, or if a new vehicle has been out of service for repair for the same problem for a cumulative period of 30 days or more, within one year of purchase.

Memorandum Copy

The title document is a facsimile title and not the active (original or duplicate) title document.

Methamphetamine

Tennessee DMV reported vehicle was used to manufacture Methamphetamine.

Original Police

Vehicle is currently registered as a police vehicle.

Original Taxi

Vehicle is currently registered as a taxi.

Owner Retained

A vehicle that has been declared by the insurance company to be a total loss but the owner maintains possession and ownership of the vehicle.

Prior Non Repairable / Repaired

A vehicle constructed by repairing a vehicle that has been destroyed or declared to be non-repairable or otherwise declared to not be eligible for titling because of the extent of damage to the vehicle but has been issued a title pursuant to state law after falling within this criterion with this brand on the face of the certificate of title.

Prior Owner

A vehicle that was previously branded Owner Retained and Retained was sold. The new owner's title contains this brand.

Prior Police

Vehicle previously registered as a police vehicle.

Prior Taxi

Vehicle previously registered as a taxi.

Rebuilt

The vehicle, previously branded "salvage", has passed anti-theft and safety inspections, or other jurisdiction procedures, to ensure the vehicle was rebuilt to required standards. Also known as prior salvage (salvaged).

Reconstructed

A vehicle that has been permanently altered from original construction by removing, adding, or substituting major components.

Recovered Theft

The vehicle was previously titled as salvage due to theft. The vehicle has been repaired and inspected (or complied with other jurisdiction procedures) and may be legally driven.

Refurbished

Any vehicle modified by the installation of a new cab and chassis for the existing coach which has been renovated, resulting in a vehicle of greater value or a vehicle with a new style.

Remanufactured

Vehicle was reconstructed by the manufacturer.

Replica

A vehicle with a body built to resemble and be a reproduction of another vehicle of a given year and given manufacturer.

Saltwater damage

Vehicle damaged by saltwater flood.

Salvage Retention

The vehicle is branded salvage and is kept by the owner.

Salvage Damage or Not Specified

Any vehicle which has been wrecked, destroyed or damaged, to the extent that the total estimated or actual cost of parts and labor to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle to its pre-accident condition and for legal operation on roads or highways exceeds a jurisdiction-defined percentage of the retail value of the vehicle. The retail value of the vehicle is determined by a current edition of a nationally recognized compilation (to include automated data bases) of retail values. Salvage Damage or Not Specified also includes any vehicle to which an insurance company acquires ownership pursuant to a damage settlement, or any vehicle that the vehicle's owner may wish to designate as a salvage vehicle by obtaining a salvage title, without regard to extent of the vehicle's damage and repairs, or any vehicle for which the jurisdiction cannot distinguish the reason the vehicle was designated salvage.

Salvage - Reasons Other Than Damage or Stolen

Any vehicle the reporting jurisdiction considers salvage based on criteria, such as abandonment, not covered by the Salvage Damage or Not Specified and Salvage-Stolen Brands. Note - Percent of damage is not reported with brand.

Salvage - Stolen

Any vehicle the reporting jurisdiction considers salvage because an insurance company has acquired ownership pursuant to a settlement based on the theft of the vehicle.

Street Rod

The vehicle has been modified to not conform with the manufacturer's specifications, and the modifications adhere to jurisdiction-specific criteria.

Test Vehicle

The vehicle is built and retained by the manufacturer for testing.

Totaled

A vehicle that is declared a total loss by a jurisdiction or an insurer that is obligated to cover the loss or that the insurer takes possession of or title to.

Undisclosed Lien

The vehicle has entered the titling jurisdiction from a jurisdiction that does not disclose lien-holder information on the title. The titling jurisdiction may issue a new title without this brand if no notice of a security interest in the vehicle is received, within a jurisdiction-defined timeframe. Note: This brand is not valid after January 17, 2003.

Vandalism

Vehicle damaged by vandals.

Vehicle Contains Reissued VIN

The chassis VIN has been reissued, i.e. the same VIN is reused.

Vehicle Non- conformity Corrected

A non-safety defect reported to the jurisdiction by the vehicle manufacturer has been corrected.

Vehicle Non- conformity Uncorrected

A non-safety defect reported to the jurisdiction by the vehicle manufacturer remains uncorrected.

Vehicle Safety Defect Corrected

A safety defect reported to title jurisdiction by the vehicle manufacturer has been corrected.

Vehicle Safety Defect Uncorrected

A safety defect reported to the jurisdiction by the vehicle manufacturer remains uncorrected.

VIN replaced by a new state assigned VIN

A title should not be issued for the VIN. This brand can be issued for rebuilt vehicles.

Warranty Return

Vehicle returned to the manufacturer because of a breach in the warranty.

Odometer Brands

Actual

The true mileage for the vehicle. The odometer has not been tampered with, reached its mechanical limits, or been altered.

Call Title Division

The titling authority knows of some problem with the odometer reading that it cannot print on a title. Titling authority will discuss the problem (manual process) with authorized inquirers.

Exceeds Mechanical Limits

The odometer reading is less than the true mileage of the vehicle because the odometer cannot display the total number of true miles.

Exempt from Odometer Disclosure

The vehicle falls within criteria that allow it to change ownership without disclosure of the odometer reading.

Junk Automobile -CARS.gov

Pursuant to the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Act of 2009 (CARS) this vehicle is incapable of operating on public streets, roads, and highways. The vehicle has no value except as a source of parts or scrap, shall be crushed or shredded within a specified time period (including the engine block), and shall not be exported prior to crushing or shredding. For additional information concerning the CARS program visit CARS.gov.

Not Actual

The odometer reading is known to be other than the true mileage for the vehicle.

OR:
Odometer tampering verified - the odometer reading is known to be other than the true mileage for the vehicle, due to tampering.

Odometer Discrepancy

The titling authority has reason to believe that the odometer reading does not reflect the true mileage of the vehicle because of known previous recorded values of odometer for the vehicle.

Odometer may be Altered

The titling authority has reason to believe that the odometer reading does not reflect the true mileage of the vehicle because of an alteration to the odometer.

Odometer Replaced

The odometer in the vehicle is not the odometer put in the vehicle when manufactured.

Pending Junk Automobile - CARS.gov

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - (NHTSA) Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save (CARS) program is processing an application, which, if approved, will render this vehicle incapable of

operating on public streets, roads, and highways. The vehicle will have no value except as a source of parts or scrap, shall be crushed or shredded within a specified time period (including the engine block), and shall not be exported prior to crushing or shredding. For additional information concerning the CARS program visit CARS.gov.

Reading at Time of Renewal

The odometer reading was recorded when the registration was renewed.

Rectify Previous Exceeds Mechanical Limits Brand

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Other Events

Lien

Vehicle has a reported open lien or outstanding loan through a lender or lenders.

Listed for Sale

Vehicle reported for current or historical sale online.

Towing/Impound

Vehicle has been reported to have been towed or impounded.

Export

Vehicle has been reported as exported.

Active Theft

Vehicle is reported to be an active theft in either the US, Canada or Mexico. Check with local law enforcement.

Recovered Theft

Vehicle is reported to have been previously stolen in either the US, Canada or Mexico and later recovered.

Total Loss

Vehicle has been reported to be a Total Loss vehicle by an insurance company.

Wrecked Vehicle

Oregon State DMV was notified that the vehicle has been wrecked/totaled. The title must be branded accordingly. Totaled: A vehicle that is declared a total loss by a jurisdiction or an insurer that is obligated

to cover the loss or that the insurer takes possession of or title to.

Wrecker Notice Received

Oregon State DMV was notified that the vehicle has been totaled. The ownership document (title) has not been returned to DMV. The title must be branded accordingly.

Wrecker/Destroyed Vehicle

Oregon State DMV was notified that the vehicle has been wrecked/destroyed or dismantled. The ownership document (title) has been returned to DMV.

Abandoned/Wrecked Vehicle

Oregon State DMV indicates that the vehicle has been wrecked or abandoned and the ownership document has not been surrendered, but DMV has received a statement such as a copy of the title or bill of sale that indicates the vehicle was wrecked, dismantled or substantially altered as per ORS 819.010; destroyed per ORS 819. If a flag 19 is on record, then a salvage title must be issued or the title must be branded to show "Assembled", "Reconstructed", or "Replica". A flag 19 does not require the "Totaled" brand.

OR Totaled Vehicle

Oregon State DMV was notified that the vehicle has been totaled. The ownership document (title) has been returned to DMV. The title must be branded accordingly. Totaled: A vehicle that is declared a total loss by a jurisdiction or an insurer that is obligated to cover the loss or that the insurer takes possession of or title to.

Duplicate

The vehicle is reported to have had a duplicate title issued by the Vermont DMV.

More Than Two Liens

The vehicle is reported to have two or more liens (loans) on the title by the Vermont DMV.

Off Road

The vehicle is reported to be an off road vehicle by the Vermont DMV.
