

Boats Registration and Titles - Frequently Asked Questions

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Where can I get my boat registration/title and outboard motor title processed?

The forms must be completed and submitted together with any required application fees, supporting documents, and any boat/outboard motor taxes. Please contact your local yellow pages to get the address of Park and wildlife headquarters of your state.

Where can I pick up the required forms?

Again try to contact your local state office and also check on there site as the special boat forms are also available to download from there websites.

Do I need to register my boat?

The following vessels (when on Texas public water) are required to have current registration, including when docked, moored, or stored:

- All motorized boats, regardless of length;
- All sailboats 14 feet in length or longer or any sailboat with an auxiliary engine(s); and
- USCG Documented vessels.

Exempted vessels — All (non-motorized) canoes, kayaks, punts, rowboats, or rubber rafts (regardless of length) when paddled, poled, or oared; sailboats under 14 feet in length when windblown; USCG documented commercial vessels used in coastal shipping; and USCG documented vessels exceeding 115 feet in length.

How do I renew my registration?

Registration may be renewed no earlier than 90 days prior to expiration. If you want to renew the registration of a boat that is in your name, you may submit the required fee along with one of the following:

- Renewal notice (mailed to owner 90 days prior to expiration); or
- Vessel/Boat Records Maintenance form PWD 143M
- Letter, which includes a request to renew, your boat TX Number, your current mailing address and your signature.

How much does it cost to renew my boat registration?

- If your boat is less than 16 feet in length, your fee is \$30.00
- If 16 feet but less than 26 feet in length, your fee is \$50.00
- If 26 feet but less than 40 feet in length, your fee is \$70.00
- If 40 feet in length and over, your fee is \$90.00
- Livery boat less than 16 feet in length, your fee is \$30.00

How do I get a replacement or additional Certificate of Number ID Card?

If your registration is current and you have lost or destroyed your ID Card, or if you would like additional ID Card(s), you need to submit another form and required fees. Please check official state site for more info.

Can I use my boat in say Texas if it is registered in another state?

If you have a boat registered or titled in your name in another state you may operate the vessel up to 90 consecutive days with current out-of-state registration.

How do I register my boat in Texas if it is already registered or titled in another state?

If you currently have your boat registered or titled in your name in another state you can transfer them to Texas. You must transfer your registration and title within 90 days.

How do I transfer my Texas boat registration/title and Texas outboard motor title?

The seller must:

- Complete the tax affidavit portion of the Vessel Application form and/or Outboard Motor Application form sign and date each form; and
- If the boat or motor is titled, the seller must sign, date, and show the name of the purchaser on the back of the title.

The purchaser must:

- Complete the rest of the application in the new owner's name, sign and date; and
- Submit application(s), assigned title(s), supporting documents, required fees and tax to concerned organization.
- Applications for transfer of title and ownership must be filed not later than 20 days from date of purchase, or tax penalties will be incurred.

How can I get information on a boat and/or outboard motor?

You can obtain the make, length, expiration date, and confirmation of title or lien by calling 1-800-262-8755 or (512) 389-4828.

How can I get the history on a boat and/or outboard motor?

Your States PD retains historical boat/outboard motor documentation for a period of 10 years. To obtain a copy of all documents submitted for transactions on history file for a boat/outboard motor, submit required forms.

How do I change the address of a boat that is currently registered in my name?

- If you want to change the address of a boat record that is in your name submit required forms

Note: A new certificate of number card will not be printed if the request is submitted without a fee.

Where do I get my boat trailer transferred?

Boat trailer registrations are issued through county tax assessor-collector offices. Please contact your local tax assessor-collector office for assistance.

How do I become a licensed marine dealer?

To become a licensed dealer you must be in the business of buying, selling, selling on consignment, displaying for sale, and exchanging vessels or outboard motors at an established or permanent place of business in the state of Texas. Each location must have a sign conspicuously displayed showing the name of the dealership so that it may be clearly seen by the public and have sufficient space to maintain an office, service area, and display of products. You may also like to contact some dealers nearby your area. You can search about all boat dealers in USA at <http://www.boat-dealers.us> or to browse the list by cities at <http://www.boat-dealers.us/city.php>

The dealer application form must be completed in full and submitted with the following:

- Photographs of the business sufficient to show the required sign and space;
- Copy of the sales tax permit;
- Verification of assumed names (if applicable);
- List of dealer agreements; and
- Photocopy of the current driver's license of the owner, president, or managing partner of the business.
- Submit application, supporting documents, and required fee to concerned state organization.

How do I become a licensed marine distributor or manufacturer?

To become a licensed distributor or manufacturer you must be engaged in the business of manufacturing new and unused vessels and outboard motors for the purpose of sale or trade or offer for sale, sells, or processes for distribution new boats or outboard motors to dealers in the state of Texas.

The distributor or manufacturer application form must be completed in full and submitted with the following:

- Verification of assumed names (if applicable);
- Complete list of distributors, dealers, and manufacturers; or
- Complete list of manufacturers represented by a distributorship.
- Submit application, supporting documents, and required fee to concerned organization.

How do I renew my marine license?

To renew your license, submit your renewal letter with a completed application form, fees and, if applicable, verification of all assumed names.

Dealers must also submit the following:

- Photocopy of the current drivers license of the owner, president, or managing partner of the business;
- Copy of the sales tax permit; and
- List of dealer agreements.

Distributors and manufacturers must also return the following:

- List of manufacturers represented by a distributorship; or
- List of distributors, dealers, and representatives.

How do I transfer my license?

To a new owner:

To transfer your license to a new owner complete in full the marine license application form and submit it along with Fees, and, if applicable, verification of all assumed names.

Dealers must also include the following:

- Photographs of the business that show the required sign and space;
- Copy of the sales tax permit;

- Copy of the current driver's license of the owner, president, or managing partner of the business; and
- List of dealer agreements.

Distributors and manufacturers must also include the following:

- List of manufacturers represented by a distributorship; or
- List of distributors, dealers, and representatives.

To a new location (with the same owner):

To transfer your license to a new location complete the marine license application form and submit it along with necessary fees, and, if applicable, verification of all assumed names.

Dealers must also include the following:

- Photographs of the business that show the required sign and space; and
- Copy of the sales tax permit.

How do I correct or update my marine license?

To correct or update information on your marine license other than ownership and location, submit a completed marine license application form and submit it along with \$3.00, and, if applicable, one or more of the following:

- Verification of all assumed names
- Photographs of the business that show the required sign and space
- Copy of the sales tax permit
- List of dealer agreements
- List of manufacturers represented by a distributorship
- List of distributors, dealers, and representatives

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