

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

For Owners in Common Other Than Spouses

***There are two or more names listed on the title as owners and the title does not state joint ownership.**

In the case of common ownership, if one of the common owners dies, the surviving common owner(s) and the deceased's estate own equal shares of the vehicle.

What you will need if there is a court appointed Personal Representative:

- ☐ A Vehicle Title
 - If you cannot locate the title to the vehicle, you will need to file a Duplicate Title Application ([MVT-8](#)) in the deceased's name.
 - The fee is waived for a Duplicate Title Application in this case.
- ☐ Application for Certificate of Title (MVT-2)
 - An application for a Maine certificate of title can be obtained by visiting any of our motor vehicle branch or town office locations or by contacting the Title Unit in Augusta.
 - There is a fee of \$33
 - If rush service is preferred, a \$10 rush fee will apply.
- ☐ An [MVT-22](#) completed by the Personal Representative of the deceased.
 - This document must be notarized.
 - A Copy of the Probate Court appointment must be attached.
 - If the vehicle was financed, the lien holder must release the lien or provide consent to title the vehicle in the survivor's name alone ([MVT-27](#)).

****If a surviving common owner sells the vehicle, the common owner should provide the buyer with:***

- ***The title transferred to the buyer.***
- ***A release of any lien.***
- ***Form MVT-22 completed by the surviving common owner and personal representative. Must be notarized.***
- ***Bill of sale.***

What you will need if there is NO court appointed Personal Representative:

- ☐ A Vehicle Title
 - If you cannot locate the title to the vehicle, you will need to file a Duplicate Title Application ([MVT-8](#)) in the deceased's name.
 - The fee is waived for a Duplicate Title Application in this case.
- ☐ Application for Certificate of Title (MVT-2)
 - An application for a Maine certificate of title can be obtained by visiting any of our motor vehicle branch or town office locations or by contacting the Title Unit in Augusta.
 - There is a fee of \$33
 - If rush service is preferred, a \$10 rush fee will apply.
- ☐ An [MVT-22](#) completed by common owner and all immediate heirs of the deceased.
 - This document must be notarized.
 - The survivor must submit a letter from Probate Court stating there is no will of the deceased's being probated.
 - A transfer to the common owner from all immediate heirs of the deceased
 - If the vehicle was financed, the lien holder must release the lien or provide consent to title the vehicle in the survivor's name alone ([MVT-27](#)).

****If a surviving common owner sells the vehicle, the common owner should provide the buyer with:***

- ***The title transferred to the buyer.***
- ***A release of any lien.***
- ***Form MVT-22 completed by the surviving common owner and all surviving heirs.***
- ***Bill of sale.***
- ***Statement of No Will be probated from Probate Court.***