

Motor Vehicle Procedure Manual
Vessel Title
Homemade Vessel Titling Requirements

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Legal Authority

[Section 328.01\(2\)\(c\), Florida Statutes](#), provides for the titling of homemade vessels.

Description and Use

This procedure provides information and instructions to assist employees of the Tax Collector, License Plate Agent and the Florida Department Of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in processing applications for a homemade vessel certificate of title.

Documentation Required and Special Instructions

- A. All of the following documentation must be submitted and completed by the customer(s) when applying for a Florida Certificate of Title:
 - 1. Form [HSMV 82040](#), Application for Certificate of Title with/without Registration.
 - 2. For vessels **less than 16 feet** in length, submit form [HSMV 87002](#), Vessel Statement of Builder.
 - 3. For vessels **16 feet or more** in length, submit both form [HSMV 87002](#), and a Certificate of Inspection from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
 - 4. A bill of sale, form [HSMV 82050](#) must be submitted if purchased from the builder.

5. Verify the Florida sales tax or specify the sales tax information on form [HSMV 82040](#). Sales tax must be collected according to the purchase price of the vessel and the purchase price of all materials where sales tax was not already collected.

B. Hull Identification Numbers

A hull identification number may be assigned by FLHSMV, pursuant to section [328.07, Florida Statutes](#).

Miscellaneous Information

- A. A documentation check list is attached to this procedure as Exhibit A.
- B. Per Section 327.02(16), “Homemade Vessel” means any vessel built after October 31, 1972, for which a Federal hull identification number is not required to be assigned by the manufacturer pursuant to Federal law, or any vessel constructed or assembled prior to November 1, 1972, by any entity other than a licensed manufacturer for his own use or the use of a specific person. A vessel assembled from a manufacturer’s kit or constructed from an unfinished manufactured hull shall be considered to be a homemade vessel, provided such a vessel is not required to have a hull identification number assigned by the United States Coast Guard. In no event shall a rebuilt or reconstructed vessel be construed to be a homemade vessel.

Revision(s) to Procedure

Statutory Review. Added Historical Revisions section; links to statute and forms. Added form HSMV 82050 and the definition of “Homemade Vessel”.

Exhibit A Homemade Vessel Checklist.

HOMEMADE VESSEL CHECK LIST

FORMS:

_____ HSMV 82040

_____ For vessels less than **16 feet in length**, submit form HSMV 87002

_____ For vessels **16 feet or more** in length, submit form HSMV 87002

AND

_____ A Certificate of Inspection from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

_____ A bill of sale, if purchased from the builder.

_____ Verify Florida sales tax or specify the sales tax information on form HSMV 82040, Application for Certificate of Title with/without Registration.

_____ Title fees