



Registration Checklist: New Resident

Just moved to Boulder County from out-of-state? Here is a list of what you need to register your vehicle in Boulder County.



Criteria for Colorado Residency:

- You have resided in Colorado continuously for 90 days.
- You have obtained employment within Colorado.
- You own or operate a business in Colorado.

Schedule an appointment with the Motor Vehicle office

All Motor Vehicle in-person services require an appointment. Additionally, registration renewals must be completed out-of-office. Once all of the below materials have been gathered, schedule an appointment with us by visiting bouldercounty.gov/MV or calling 303-413-7710.

Secure and Verifiable I.D.

You do not need a Colorado driver's license, but you must show [Secure and Verifiable ID](#) in order to register your vehicle. Visit our website for a [list of acceptable identification](#). The vehicle's owner must be present with their ID to register their vehicle. (Copies of spouse or related person's ID will not be accepted). For jointly owned vehicles, either owner may register the vehicle. If the owner has asked someone else to complete the transaction on their behalf (besides a co-owner), a [DR2175 Power of Attorney for Motor Vehicle Only](#) must be completed, signed, and presented at the time of registration.

Proof of Ownership

You can provide proof of ownership by any of the following three documents: out-of-state vehicle title in your name (or copy of title if held by lien holder); an original out-of-state registration no more than six months expired; or a recent registration renewal notice from a previous state of residence.

Proof of automobile insurance coverage

Vehicles must be covered by insurance before they can be registered. Provide proof of insurance (card, copy of policy, or letter from insurance provider on company letterhead) that includes the vehicle's year, make, model, vehicle identification (VIN), effective date and expiration date of the policy. You may use out-of-state insurance to register your vehicle, but you will need to provide proof that it meets [Colorado's minimum standards](#) (25/50/15). You will be required to obtain Colorado insurance to take advantage of all of our out-of-office services.

Proof of Residency

Proof of residency is required to register a vehicle coming in from out of state. You can provide a Colorado driver's license or identification card, student ID card, employment verification such as a paystub or a signed offer letter or copy of your lease or a utility bill. If you don't have any of these, give us a call at 303-413-7710 and we can walk you through your options.

Emissions test (if required)

Unless your vehicle is exempt, you must show proof of passing a Colorado vehicle emissions test. Visit our [Emissions Testing page](#) for information about exemptions, requirements, testing locations, and cost.

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) verification

A [VIN Inspection](#) can be done when completing an emissions test at [Air Care Colorado](#) or at a Boulder County Motor Vehicles location at the time of registration (cost is \$20).

Certified weight slip (if required)

A certified weight slip is required for trucks and cargo vans that have been modified more than 300 pounds. A weight slip may also be required for motor homes and used buses based on what supporting documentation you have. Many local private companies (such as [Pioneer Sand](#) – locations in Boulder, Longmont, & Broomfield) can provide a certified weight slip.

Payment

Please see our [Fees & Taxes page](#) for details about how Motor Vehicle fees are calculated. You can estimate your registration fees online at [MyDMV.Colorado.gov](#) (be sure to enter the original MSRP). [Payment](#) can be made by check, cash, or major credit/debit card (note: a nonrefundable fee is added for credit/debit cards).

*Note: Expect your new Colorado title to be mailed to you within 4 - 6 weeks upon registration of your vehicle.

**Late fees apply (\$25.00/month up to \$100) for registrations not completed within the 90-day period of becoming a resident.

www.BoulderCounty.org/MotorVehicle

Contact:

303-413-7710
303-413-7725 (fax)
motorvehicle@bouldercounty.gov

Locations

Boulder: 1750 33rd Street
Longmont: 529 Coffman Street
Lafayette: 1755 S. Public Road

Hours:

7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Monday – Thursday
Closed Friday