

# **Trailer Verification Statement of Fact**

Vehicle Information				
Vehicle Identification Number		Year	Make	Body Style
Empty Weight (lbs.)	Carrying Capacity (lbs.)	Gross Weight (lbs.)	Width	Length (not including hitch)
Trailer Type (see definitions on p	page 2)			
☐ Full Trailer ☐ Semitrailer ☐ Travel Trailer ☐ Park Model Trailer				
Homemade or Shopmade Trailer – if applicable				
If the trailer, semitrailer, or travel trailer was homemade or shopmade, it was built by:				
First Name (or Entity Name)		Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix (if any)
Additional Applicant First Name	(if applicable)	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix (if any)
Address		City	State	Zip Code
Certification – State law makes falsifying information a third degree felony				
I certify the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge, and: (Check all that apply)				
☐ The "Trailer Type" selected above meets the applicable definition of the trailer type, as specified in the "Trailer Definitions" section on page 2.				
The trailer will not be operated on the public highways of Texas, is exempt from a Texas vehicle safety inspection, the vehicle identification number indicated above is correct, and this trailer is not being registered (Title Only).				
The trailer is homemade/shopmade and was completely built by me, or was built to my specifications by the individual or entity listed, and the vehicle identification number of the trailer was assigned by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.				
The non-titled full trailer or semitrailer is homemade/shopmade and assembled from parts, the builder is unknown, and the trailer does not have a vehicle identification number (non-titled registration).				
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Signature of Applicant		Printed Name (Same as	Signature)	Date
Signature of Additional Application	icant (if any)	Printed Name (Same as	Signaturo)	Date

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#### **Trailer Definitions**

#### **Full Trailer**

 Designed or used to carry its load wholly on its own structure and is drawn or designed to be drawn by a motor vehicle.

#### Semitrailer

• Designed or used with a motor vehicle, so part of the weight of the semitrailer and its load rests on or is carried by the motor vehicle drawing the semitrailer.

#### **Travel Trailer**

- Not designed or used primarily as a permanent dwelling, but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use;
- Built on a single chassis;
- Permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- Must be less than eight (8) feet in width or less than forty (40) feet in length (not including the hitch).

#### Park Model Trailer

- Not designed for use or primarily used as a permanent dwelling, but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use;
- Built on a single chassis;
- Permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- Over eight (8) feet in width <u>and</u> over forty (40) feet in length, but 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projections.

**Note:** Manufactured homes designed as a permanent dwelling may not be titled and registered as a travel trailer or park model trailer. Custom trailers with living quarters primarily used for commercial purposes must be titled and registered as a full trailer or semitrailer (including those with farm registration).

### **Permit Required to Move on Public Highways**

Any trailer in excess of 8 feet 6 inches in width or 14 feet in height are required to be issued an oversize/overweight permit in addition to regular registration to legally move the trailer on public highways. Additionally, a semitrailer exceeding 59 feet, a park model exceeding 45 feet, and most combinations of a pulling unit and trailer exceeding 65 feet in length are required to be issued an oversize/overweight permit, in addition to regular registration, to legally move the trailer on public highways. To obtain an oversize/overweight permit, contact the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles' Motor Carrier Division at 1-800-299-1700 or visit <a href="http://www.txdmv.gov/motor-carriers">http://www.txdmv.gov/motor-carriers</a>.

# **Last Titled and Registered Out of State**

Any trailer last titled and registered out of state is required to pass a Texas vehicle safety inspection if the gross weight exceeds 4,500 lbs. before it may be titled and/or registered in Texas.

Any trailer that will not be used on a public highway is not subject to the Texas vehicle safety inspection requirements and the applicant is required to certify the travel trailer or park model trailer will not be operated on the highways of this state (and is applying for Title Only) by marking the second box in the "Certification" section on page 1. Applicants are also required to physically inspect the vehicle to verify the correct vehicle identification number.

A Title Only transaction is also permissible for a full trailer or semitrailer. The vehicle identification number can be self-certified by marking the second box in the "Certification" section on page 1 or by completing the *Vehicle Identification Number Certification* (Form VTR-270).

# Weights on New or Out of State Trailers

The empty weight or shipping weight reflected on the evidence of ownership (i.e. manufacturer's certificate of origin or out of state title) is considered the empty weight. A weight certificate is required if the required weight information is not located on the manufacturer's certificate of origin or out of state title.