

COUNTY OF HAWAII - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
Solid Waste Division - Derelict/Abandoned Vehicle Section
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VEHICLE DISPOSAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Vehicle Disposal Assistance Program (“VDAP”) provides Hawai‘i County residents with the opportunity to legally and properly dispose of up to two permanently junked or derelict vehicles each fiscal year. This service is provided free of charge to residents and is subject to fund availability. Upon approval, the vehicle may be towed and disposed of. Please review these requirements carefully. While the goal of this Program is to assist residents with safe and efficient services, failure to comply with these requirements will result in an automatic denial of your application.

VDAP Application Requirements

Disposing of a Junked Vehicle

- The applicant must be the registered and legal owner.
- The vehicle being disposed of must first be registered as permanently junked by the Vehicle Registration and Licensing Division (VRL). A copy of the Certificate of Title stamped “PERMANENTLY JUNKED” by VRL must be submitted with the application.
- A copy of the applicant’s government issued photo-identification must be submitted with the application.

Disposing of a Derelict Vehicle (No Title)

- If there is no title, the vehicle must meet the following criteria to be deemed derelict as defined under HRS Sec.290-8 (see below).

§290-8 Derelict vehicle. A vehicle shall be deemed a derelict vehicle by the administrative head of the county agency designated to carry out section 290-1, or by the executive director or a representative of the executive director of the Hawaii public housing authority in the case of a vehicle that has been abandoned on property owned, managed, or administered by the authority, if a part has been removed or material damage to the vehicle has rendered the vehicle inoperable and one of the following conditions exists:

- (1) The vehicle is registered for the current registration period and the registered and legal owners no longer reside at the addresses on record with the county director of finance;
- (2) The vehicle has been registered for the current or previous registration period and the registered and legal owners disclaim ownership, or a notice of transfer has been submitted by the registered and legal owners and recorded with the director of finance and the new owner has not transferred the title or registration into the new owner's name within thirty days of release;
- (3) The vehicle identification number and license plates have been removed so as to nullify efforts to locate or identify the current registered and legal owners;
- (4) The vehicle has not been registered for the previous twelve month period; or
- (5) The vehicle registration records of the county director of finance contain no record that the vehicle has ever been registered in the county.

- The applicant must be the property owner where the vehicle is located. Property owners will be verified with the County of Hawaii Real Property Tax Office.
- A copy of the applicant's government issued photo-identification must be submitted with the application.
- A color photo of the vehicle being disposed of must be submitted with your application.

Vehicle Eligibility:

- The vehicle must be a standard passenger vehicle, pick-up truck, or van that weighs no more than 3 tons (6,000 lbs.). Heavy equipment, mini-buses, and any other vehicle over 3 tons are not eligible for this program.
- The vehicle can have a maximum of five (5) tires, mounted or within the vehicle. If any vehicle has more than five (5) tires, the vehicle recycling facility has the right to charge the registered owner for the extra tires or refuse the vehicle in its entirety.
- The vehicle must be clean and clear of household trash, hazardous waste, extra tires, and any other excessive waste items. Determination of "excessive waste" will be made at the discretion of the vehicle disposal facility.

Towing Eligibility:

- The vehicle must be parked legally on the road or within the property owned by the applicant. If the applicant does not own the property in which the vehicle is located, the applicant is required to obtain notarized written approval from the property owner and submit that written approval to the County.
- The vehicle must be located within 20 feet of the nearest roadway and accessible to be towed. If this requirement is not met, the vehicle will not be towed.

Submitting Applications:

- Applications can be submitted via the U.S. Postal Service or delivered in person to 345 Kekūanāo'a Street, Suite 41, Hilo, Hawai'i 96720 or emailed to VDAP@hawaiiicounty.gov.
- The applicant will be contacted by the Abandoned Vehicle Section once the review process is completed.

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VEHICLE DISPOSAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION (Please print legibly):

Registered or Property Owner Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Property Owner (s Name) (if different from above): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

VEHICLE INFORMATION (Please print legibly):

Location of Vehicle: _____

License Plate No.: _____ VIN: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Body-Type: _____ Color: _____

- Do you have a copy of the Certificate of Title stamped PERMANENTLY JUNKED? __Yes __No
- If you answered NO above, does the vehicle meet the criteria to be deemed derelict under HRS-290-8? __Yes __No

By initialing below the property owner(s) covenants that the vehicle mentioned above meets the criteria to be deemed a derelict vehicle defined under HRS 290-8.

X

Initial(s)

I am/we are the registered or property owner(s) of the vehicle or property listed above and hereby authorize the County of Hawai'i to dispose of the vehicle listed above. I/we release the County of Hawai'i from any liability or claims on the vehicle listed above after it has been disposed of.

Signature of Registered or Property Owner

Date

Signature of Registered or Property Owner

Date

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ **Received By:** _____

___ Application complete, signed, and dated

___ Copy of PERMANENTLY JUNKED title

___ Copy of valid government issued ID

___ Two vehicles/year

___ Property owner verification

___ Vehicle on application matches vehicle on title

DAV Inspection:

Date of inspection: _____

- 1. Does the vehicle information match the application? Y or N
- 2. Is the vehicle within 20 ft of the nearest roadway? Y or N
- 3. Is the vehicle accessible to tow? Y or N
- 4. Is the vehicles 3 tons or less? Y or N
- 5. Is the vehicle free and clear of all rubbish, hazardous waste, etc.? Y or N
- 6. Does the vehicle have 5 tires or less on or within the vehicle? Y or N

Notes: _____

Inspected By: _____

Approved ___ Rejected ___

Reason for Denial (if applicable):

Date & Time Contacted: _____