

New To Georgia

If you are a new resident, Welcome to Georgia and Fulton County. State law requires newcomers to register their vehicle and obtain Georgia Driver's License within 30 days after moving to state and Georgia liability insurance is also required. You must register your vehicle in person the first time.

Depending upon the model year of your vehicle you will need to bring the title or bill of sale. All vehicles entering Georgia model year 1986 and newer are required to transfer title to Georgia in order to register and purchase a Georgia License plate. Newcomers must have a Georgia Driver's License (or Georgia ID) to title and register a vehicle. You must apply for a Georgia title before you can register and tag the vehicle.

If your title is held by your lien holder bring the last registration for your vehicle as well the complete name and mailing address of your lien holder. However, if you are moving to Georgia from one of the following states you must have in your possession the original title even if you have a lien holder: Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Certificates of title from these states with a lien shown on the front of title that is no longer in effect need a lien release with a full description of the vehicle as well as the vehicle identification number. Documents must be originals; no fax or photocopies accepted.

Lease vehicle must have the street address for the leasing company, copy of the lease agreement, along with the notarized Power of Attorney from the leasing company to allow you to apply for the title. All owners applying for Georgia title must be present to sign the title application or provide notarized Power of Attorney. A Motor Vehicle Power of Attorney gives the second party the right to act on behalf of an owner who cannot be present. If needed you can request a Motor Vehicle Power of Attorney to be forwarded to you by mail, fax or email.

The following items will also be needed when you come to the tag office:

1. Current odometer reading
2. Georgia emission test certificate (if applicable)
3. Proof of Fulton County address
 - Georgia Driver's License
 - Utility bill
 - Resident lease or purchase agreement
 - Bank statement
 - Complete Insurance policy