TO ENSURE YOUR LIABILITY IS RELEASED, PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.
THE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL. PRINT IN CAPITAL LETTERS USING BLACK OR BLUE INK.

DMV DOCUMENT IMAGING USE ONLY

NOTICE OF TRANSFER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

MAIL THIS FORM TO DMV
*OR FILE ONLINE AT **dmv.ca.gov***

NEW OWNER'S *LAST* NAME (OR) COMPANY NAME | *FIRST*

NEW OWNER'S ADDRESS | APT NUMBER | ODOMETER READING (*NO TENTHS*)

CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE | DATE OF SALE, TRANSFER, OR LEASE RETURN MO. DAY YR.

SELLER'S OR LESSEE'S *LAST* NAME (OR) COMPANY NAME | *FIRST* | SELLING PRICE (*NO CENTS*) WHOLE DOLLARS

SELLER'S OR LESSEE'S ADDRESS | APT NUMBER | IF VEHICLE IS A GIFT, ENTER 0 FOR SELLING PRICE

CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE | SELLER'S OR LESSEE'S SIGNATURE

X

VEHICLE LICENSE OR CF NUMBER | MAKE OR BUILDER | YEAR MODEL | VEHICLE ID OR VESSEL HULL NUMBER

WARNING! ***You must provide accurate, legible information: vehicle/vessel description, your name/address, buyer's name/address, and date of sale, transfer, or lease return, or the information SHALL NOT be updated or retained.***

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA DMV DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
A Public Service Agency

NOTICE OF TRANSFER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY



Please Protect Yourself!
Submit a Notice of Transfer and Release of Liability
Give Us **FIVE** in **FIVE**

1. VEHICLE OR VESSEL DESCRIPTION
2. NEW OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
3. ODOMETER READING
4. DATE OF SALE, TRANSFER, OR LEASE RETURN
5. YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

Within 5 Days

This form may be filed online at ***dmv.ca.gov*** and a receipt can be printed ensuring it had been received. This form may also be mailed, but no notification will be sent that it was received.

WARNING: You must provide accurate, legible information: vehicle/vessel description, your name/address, new owner's name and address, and the date of sale, transfer, or lease return. Otherwise the information WILL NOT be updated or retained. You WILL NOT receive notification that the information was not updated or retained.

Pay careful attention to write the new owner's information in the new owner section and the seller's information in the seller's section. If you have multiple vehicles or sell multiple vehicles at the same time, be sure to enter the correct vehicle license plate and vehicle identification number for the correct vehicle and list the correct new owner. File this form within 5 days of the transaction taking place. Submitting this notice yourself is the best way to ensure DMV gets all the information in a timely manner. If you give this form to the new owner, they may never submit it to DMV on your behalf.

IF YOU ARE COMPLETING THIS FORM INSTEAD OF FILING ONLINE AT ***dmv.ca.gov***,
DETACH AND KEEP THIS PART FOR YOUR RECORDS AND MAIL THE TOP CARD TO DMV.
DO NOT MAIL A COPY OF A BILL OF SALE OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENTATION WITH THIS FORM.

(See Reverse for Additional Information)

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From:

FIRST CLASS LETTER POSTAGE REQUIRED

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
NOTICE OF TRANSFER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY
P. O. BOX 942859
SACRAMENTO, CA 94259-0001

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You are required by law to notify the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) within five (5) days from the date you sell or otherwise dispose of a vehicle or vessel. This form is provided for use in reporting the sale or transfer to the Department, and does not constitute application for transfer of ownership (title).

BEFORE YOUR NAME IS REMOVED FROM DMV'S RECORDS, THE NEW OWNER MUST APPLY FOR TRANSFER USING THE ENDORSED CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP (TITLE) RECEIVED FROM YOU AND THEY MUST COMPLETE ALL TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS.

When this form is properly completed and the information is recorded by DMV (see WARNING on reverse side), liability for parking and/or traffic violations and civil litigation resulting from operation of the vehicle/vessel after the date of sale, transfer, or lease return, becomes the responsibility of the subsequent new owner(s). You may want to verify the new owner's identification to ensure the new owner is providing you with accurate name information. Keep a copy of the completed form for your records, as collection notices can be received months/years after the vehicle has been sold; do not ignore any collection notice. California Vehicle Code (CVC) §5602 states the requirements for releasing liability and may be referred to for any liability disputes.

VEHICLE LICENSE OR CF NUMBER	MAKE OR BUILDER	YEAR MODEL	VEHICLE ID OR VESSEL HULL NUMBER

ODOMETER READING	DATE OF SALE, TRANSFER, OR LEASE RETURN	SELLING PRICE (*IF VEHICLE IS GIFT, ENTER 0*)

NAME OF NEW OWNER

ADDRESS OF NEW OWNER

Print Clear Form

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