

REGISTERING A HOMEMADE TRAILER:

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PURPOSE: TO REGISTER A HOMEMADE TRAILER – 100% MADE FROM SCRATCH
(NOT MANUFACTURED)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. Receipts for major components – Materials used in the construction of a homemade frame, purchase of axles, suspension components, wheels and tires, brakes, trailer hitch, fenders/body items, lights, reflectors, wiring etc..
2. If trailer bought from builder/previous owner, a notarized bill of sale from seller with full description of trailer (type of trailer, dimensions, materials used, etc.) will be required.
3. Weight slip from certified scale showing Curb (unloaded) weight of trailer. If trailer is built to carry a specific item (boat, etc.), then a second weight slip from a certified scale (boat and trailer together) is required to determine GVW (loaded) weight.
4. Homemade Trailer Statement of Fact form (HMT-2019) See attached
5. Make an appointment with the Motor Vehicle Control Inspector (241-4197) at Driver's License to inspect trailer
6. DFL-1 Card with assigned VIN # (you will be given this upon approval of trailer)
7. Have your trailer inspected by a certified Hawaii safety inspection station, failed for "registration" only. Call ahead for an appointment with the inspection station of your choice. Inspection fee for PMVI inspection of trailers is set at \$17.00 + tax.
8. Make an appointment with the Motor Vehicle Registration (MVR) Department (go to Kauai.gov, click "Get in Line on Line" button). Submit DFL-1 card, bill of sale (if applicable), receipts for major components, weight slip(s) and safety inspection form. Pay all applicable registration fees.
9. Return to safety inspection station with trailer (license plate attached) to complete safety inspection.

COUNTY OF KAUAI – VEHICLE REGISTRATION DIVISION
STATEMENT OF FACT
HOMEMADE TRAILER

I, _____, certify that I am the builder/owner of the following
PLEASE PRINT: NAME OF OWNER(S)
described homemade trailer:

Description (include dimensions, number of axles, materials used, hitch type, etc):

TYPE: Utility Boat Livestock Other _____

Curb (NET) weight: _____ Lbs.

Gross vehicle weight (NET weight plus maximum load you plan to carry on trailer): _____ Lbs.

Said trailer built/completed on or about _____
DATE

I agree to indemnify and save harmless the Director of Finance, County of Kauai and the motor vehicle control personnel for any loss resulting from the issuance of a certificate of registration covering the same and on all subsequent recording of transfer of registration. I understand that, as the builder/owner of said trailer, it is my responsibility to determine all equipment and performance parameters necessary in order to operate this homemade trailer in a safe and prudent manner, on public roadways.

Owner(s) Signature Date

FOR NOTARY USE ONLY:

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day
of _____, 20__

Notary Public
State of _____
_____ Judicial Circuit
My commission expires: _____

(STAMP OR SEAL)

NOTARY CERTIFICATION (Hawaii Administrative Rules 5-11-8)	
Document Date: _____ No. Pages _____	
Document Description: _____	

Notary Printed Name	Circuit
Notary Signature	Date

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HOMEMADE TRAILER

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

I have performed a visual inspection of said trailer, presented to me by the above signed, and verify that said trailer does appear to match the description provided by the owner/builder. Any equipment and performance claims stated on this form are based solely on the owner/builder, and are in no way certified by this visual inspection. The owner/builder of this trailer is held entirely responsible for the construction, performance claims, maintenance, and operation of said trailer at their own risk.

MOTOR VEHICLE CONTROL INSPECTOR

VIN (supplied by Motor Vehicle Registration Dept.): _____.