

North Dakota Auto Total Loss Threshold by Law

39-05-20.1. Salvage certificate of title.

The department shall issue a salvage certificate of title for a salvaged or destroyed vehicle when the owner of the vehicle has returned the certificate of title for the vehicle to the department. The department shall prescribe the form and content of the salvage certificate of title. The certificate must include a prominent notation that it has been issued for a salvaged motor vehicle.

39-05-20.2. Issuance of salvage certificate of title.

1. The owner of a vehicle that is damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the vehicle's retail value as determined by the national automobile dealers association official used car guide shall forward the title for that vehicle to the department within ten days and the department shall issue a salvage certificate of title. Glass damage and hail damage must be excluded in the determination of whether a vehicle has been damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the vehicle's retail value.
2. If a vehicle for which a salvage certificate of title has been issued is reconstructed, a regular certificate of title may be obtained by completing an application for the certificate. The applicant shall include with the application a certificate of inspection in the form required by the department, the salvage certificate of title, and a five dollar fee. The department shall place on the regular certificate of title and on all subsequent certificates of title issued for the vehicle the words "previously salvaged" and a notation that damage disclosure information is available from the department. The department may not issue a new certificate unless the vehicle identification number of the vehicle has been inspected and found to conform to the description given in the application or unless other proof of the identity of the vehicle has been provided to the satisfaction of the department.
3. The certificate of inspection required under this section must be completed by a business that is registered with the secretary of state, is in good standing, and offers

motor vehicle repair to the public. The business completing the certificate of inspection may not be the business that reconstructed the vehicle and must state the vehicle is in compliance with the requirements of chapter 39-21.