

## **Office Trailers and Concession Stands**

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Office trailers and concession stands are no longer “optionally” titled and registered; they are exempt from titling and registration. These are “trailers” by definition and trailers are generally required to be registered and also titled if weighing at least 2,000 pounds unladen. However, certain items temporarily operated on roads are identified as exempt from registration (and therefore titling) in Section 49-426(2), Idaho Code along with “similar devices as determined by the department”. The department has made the determination that office trailers and concession stands are similar enough to the other items listed to be included as exempt.

Optional titling of these trailers has created issues since first implemented in 1993. When someone was purchasing one of these and the seller did not provide a title, the purchaser could only be certain it was not titled by obtaining a motor vehicle title record. If it was titled by the prior owner, the purchaser also had to title in their name. Optional registration also created confusion for law enforcement officers. Exempting these vehicles from title and registration should diminish these issues moving forward.

The owner holding a title to an office trailer or concession stand is not required to surrender it for cancellation. The owner may keep the title due to the possibility these trailers may be titled again in the future—if legislation is passed which requires this. However, these trailers cannot be retitled in the buyer’s names when sold. The titled owner may assign the title to the buyer who may keep the title for their records.