

**COUNTY OF HAWAII - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

**Solid Waste Division - Derelict/Abandoned Vehicle Section**

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[www.hawaiirowaste.org/recycle/automotive](http://www.hawaiirowaste.org/recycle/automotive)

**RURAL AREA JUNK VEHICLE COLLECTION EVENT**

The County of Hawaii's Derelict/Abandoned Vehicle Section will have a designated junk vehicle collection event. Residents that preregister for this event will be allowed to drop off vehicles at the County's junk vehicle collection site and the County will have the vehicles transported to a permitted recycling/disposal facility. Residents interested in taking advantage of this event are required to complete an application. Applications can be found on our website:

[www.hawaiirowaste.org/recycle/automotive](http://www.hawaiirowaste.org/recycle/automotive).

**Vehicle Guidelines:**

- Vehicles must not have parts hanging loose off the vehicle. Hanging parts should be removed and placed within the vehicle.
- The vehicle must be a regular passenger vehicle, pick-up truck, or van weighing no more than 3 tons (6,000 lbs.).
- The vehicle can have up to five (5) tires mounted on or within the vehicle.
- The vehicle must be clean and clear of household trash, hazardous waste, extra tires, or any other waste items.
- Vehicles that have been burned will not be accepted.
- Vehicles leaking fluid will not be accepted.
- Only whole vehicles will be accepted, vehicle parts will not be accepted.

*Any vehicle that does not meet the vehicle guidelines will be denied at the collection site.*

**Application, Instructions and Requirements:**

- Complete, sign, and date the Rural Area Junk Vehicle Collection application.
- Applications must be submitted with a valid government issued photo identification.
- Residents may submit more than one application. The first two applications will be priority. If there are spots available after the application deadline, the remaining applications will be pulled off the waiting list.
- If you are the registered owner, you must have your vehicle permanently junked by the Vehicle Registration and Licensing Division (VRL). A copy of the Certificate of Title stamped "PERMANENTLY JUNKED" must be submitted with your application.
- If you are not the registered owner, the vehicle must meet criteria to be deemed derelict as defined under HRS Sec.290-8 (see below).

**§290-8 Derelict vehicle.** A vehicle shall be deemed a derelict vehicle by the administrative head of the county agency designated to carry out

section 290-1, or by the executive director or a representative of the executive director of the Hawaii public housing authority in the case of a vehicle that has been abandoned on property owned, managed, or administered by the authority, if a part has been removed or material damage to the vehicle has rendered the vehicle inoperable and one of the following conditions exists:

(1) The vehicle is registered for the current registration period and the registered and legal owners no longer reside at the addresses on record with the county director of finance;

(2) The vehicle has been registered for the current or previous registration period and the registered and legal owners disclaim ownership, or a notice of transfer has been submitted by the registered and legal owners and recorded with the director of finance and the new owner has not transferred the title or registration into the new owner's name within thirty days of release;

(3) The vehicle identification number and license plates have been removed so as to nullify efforts to locate or identify the current registered and legal owners;

(4) The vehicle has not been registered for the previous twelve month period; or

(5) The vehicle registration records of the county director of finance contain no record that the vehicle has ever been registered in the county.

Prior to authorizing the removal of a derelict vehicle, the administrative head of the county agency designated to carry out section 290-1 or the executive director or a representative of the executive director of the Hawaii public housing authority in the case of vehicles that have been abandoned on property owned, managed, or operated by the authority, shall notify the county chief of police only if the vehicle is reported stolen or otherwise needed for police investigation. [L 1971, c 28, pt of §1; am L 1983, c 96, §1; am L 1985, c 21, §1; am L 1987, c 77, §1; am L 1992, c 238, §2; am L 1996, c 58, §1; am L 1997, c 350, §14; am L 2005, c 196, §26(a); am L 2006, c 147, §2 and c 180, §16; am L 2018, c 48, §5]

- Applications can be submitted via the U.S. Postal Service or delivered in person to 345 Kekūanāo‘a Street, Suite 41, Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720, faxed to 808-961-8553 or emailed to [VDAP@hawaiicounty.gov](mailto:VDAP@hawaiicounty.gov).
- Applications will be reviewed by the Derelict/Abandoned Vehicle Section Coordinators, and you will be contacted once the review process is completed. If your application is approved, you will then be informed of the date and time of your disposal. If your application is denied, you will be contacted with reason(s) for denial.

**Application Check list:**

- Completed application & Waiver, Release, and Indemnity Agreement (3 pages).
- A copy of applicant’s valid government-issued Photo identification.
- A copy of the vehicles Certificate of Title stamped “PERMANENTLY JUNKED” from VRL (if applicant is the registered owner).

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**RURAL AREA JUNK VEHICLE COLLECTION – APPLICATION**

<p><b><u>REGISTERED OWNER OR RELEASOR INFORMATION</u></b> (Please print legibly):</p> <p>Name(s): _____</p> <p>Mailing Address: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____ Email: _____</p> <p><b><u>VEHICLE INFORMATION</u></b> (Please print legibly):</p> <p>License Plate No.: _____ VIN: _____</p> <p>Year: _____ Make: _____ Body-Type: _____ Color: _____</p> <p><i>*If available, the VIN and license plate information MUST be written on this application. If the Derelict/Abandoned Vehicle Section can find a VIN or License Plate on the vehicle that is not written on this application, the vehicle will be denied, and a new application will need to be submitted.</i></p>
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I am/we are the registered owner(s) of the vehicle listed above and hereby authorize the County of Hawai'i to dispose of the vehicle listed above. I/we release the County of Hawai'i from any liability or claims on the vehicle listed above after it has been disposed of **OR** I certify that I have no knowledge of the registered owner(s) of the vehicle listed above, and the releasor covenants that the vehicle mentioned above meets the criteria to be deemed a derelict vehicle defined under HRS Sec.290-8.

_____ Signature of Releasor or Registered Owner(s)	_____ Date
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<p><b>For Office Use Only</b></p> <p>Date Received: _____</p> <p>___ Application Completed, signed, dated</p> <p>___ Hot Sheet Check</p> <p>___ Valid Government Issued Identification</p> <p>___ Permanently Junked Title</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved      <input type="checkbox"/> Denied</p> <p>Appointment Date: _____</p> <p>Appointment Time: _____</p>
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**VEHICLE DISPOSAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
WAIVER, RELEASE, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT\***  
**(for Submittal with Application Form)**

**The undersigned party/parties to this document agree as follows:**

**1. RELEASOR COVENANTS:**

Releasor covenants that Releasor has the authority to request the disposal of the above-described vehicle and one of the following conditions exist:

- a. The vehicle is registered for the current registration period, and the registered and legal owner no longer resides at the address on record with the County Director of Finance;
- b. The vehicle has been registered for the current or previous registration period, and the registered and legal owner disclaims ownership, or a notice of transfer has been submitted by the registered and legal owner and recorded with the County Director of Finance, and the new owner has not transferred the title or registration into the new owner's name within thirty (30) days of release;
- c. The vehicle identification number and license plates have been removed to nullify efforts to locate or identify the current registered and legal owner;
- d. The vehicle has not been registered for the current or previous 12-month period; or
- e. The vehicle registration records of the County Director of Finance contain no record that the vehicle has ever been registered in the County.
- f. The registered and legal owner(s) wishes to dispose of their vehicle.

**Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2. RELEASE:**

For and in consideration of the County accepting Releasor's vehicle for disposal and for other good and valuable consideration, Releasor hereby releases, relinquishes, and forever discharges the County from and all claims, liability, and damages whatsoever, whether at law or in equity, in any manner involving, concerning, or relating to the County's disposal of Releasor's vehicle.

**Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. INDEMNITY:**

- a. Releasor agrees to indemnify and defend the County and its elected and appointed officers, employees, agents, and contractors against all losses (including, without limitation, attorney's fees, and litigation costs) arising out of the County accepting Releasor's subject vehicle. This indemnity shall terminate upon the expiration of all applicable statutes of limitation for claims covered by this indemnification.
- b. Releasor specifically understands and agrees that this indemnification includes the payment and satisfaction of claims by all entities who or which have claimed or may claim that they have monies due and owing to them because of the County accepting Releasor's subject vehicle, including but not limited to claims by persons, entities or organizations who have paid or will pay on behalf of or to the Releasor and each of them pursuant to contract or law.
- c. Releasor warrants that there are no outstanding liens that may be asserted against the County, and Releasor specifically understands and agrees to indemnify, defend, and

hold harmless the County from all claims made against the County by lienors involving the County accepting Releasor's vehicle.

**Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_

**4. UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENTS:**

- a. Releasor acknowledges, agrees, and understands that this Waiver, Release, and Indemnity Agreement applies to all injuries, damages and losses resulting from matters covered in Paragraph 2, even though now unanticipated, unexpected, and unknown, as well as to all injuries, damages and losses which have already developed, and which are now known and anticipated.
- b. In the event Releasor is a registered and legal owner of the subject vehicle, Releasor agrees to submit copy of the vehicles Certificate of Title stamped "PERMANENTLY JUNK".

**Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. DEFINITIONS:**

Unless otherwise expressly stated in this Waiver, Release and Indemnity Agreement, the terms "Releasor" and "County" shall mean and be deemed to include all the following: the named parties, their respective elected and appointed officers, directors, agents, department, contractors, employees, representatives, successors, and assigns.

**Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature of Registered Owner(s)/Releasor**

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**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Registered Owner(s)/Releasor**

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**Date**