

OUT OF STATE VEHICLE REGISTRATION – GUIDELINES WHEN COMING TO HAWAII - STEPS TO TAKE:

1. Inform insurance provider to switch states to Hawaii so you have Hawaii coverage.
2. Obtain a Non-Resident Certificate, Form CS-L (MVR) 50 – form must be acquired thru the military system, either personnel services or your command.
3. In the state of Hawaii any vehicle that has been modified must have a Reconstruction Permit prior to performing a safety inspection.
 - A. If your vehicle has not been modified please proceed to step 4.
 - B. If your vehicle is modified please visit the FAQ for information on how to obtain a Reconstruction Permit or to see if your vehicle qualifies for one.
4. Schedule an appointment online with the Hickam Auto Skills Center for a vehicle safety inspection ([Schedule an Apointment Here](#)). Please make sure your insurance cards (official or digital) will be active on the date you schedule your appointment for inspection.
5. Safety Inspection Performed by licensed safety inspector:
 - A. If you do not pass the safety inspection and the only reason is due to not being registered in the state (i.e. new vehicle registering), you will receive a “only registration fail slip” and can proceed to step 6.
 - B. If there are any failures aside from having no registration, those failures must be corrected. Once corrected you must return to the original safety inspection station to have corrections verified. You will then be given a “only registration fail slip” once all other failures are corrected.
6. Schedule an appointment with any of the local DMVs to either obtain Hawaii state plates or an out of state permit for your vehicle.
 - A. If you decide to get Hawaii state plates make sure to mount them on your vehicle front and back with at least 2 bolts/screws or 4 zip ties that occupy each hole
 - B. If you decide to keep your original plates the DMV will give you an out-of-state permit sticker to place on your vehicle. Follow the instructions on the back of the sticker for placement on your vehicle.
7. So long as your safety inspection slip has not gone over the 30 calendar days, you may return to the original safety inspection station for a final inspection. If your inspection station was Hickam Auto Skills Center, you can return on any day they are open during for safety inspection hours. If your safety inspection slip has expired please return to step 4.