

# MVA Alert

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As a reminder, effective October 1, 2012, mopeds and motor scooters are required to be titled and display a decal in Maryland. In addition, operators of the vehicles are required to:

- Possess a valid driver's license or moped permit
- Carry proof of insurance
- Wear protective headgear and eye device

The electronic submission of title applications for mopeds and motor scooters can be processed at a tag and title service, dealer, or through the Web.

If a motor scooter or moped was purchased prior to October 1, 2012 and “does not have” a certificate of origin or title, a customer may sign onto the MVA website at <https://securetransactions.mva.maryland.gov/emvastore>, complete an electronic affidavit and receive a title and decal in the mail. The web transaction cannot be process if:

- The vehicle is subject to a lien
- There is a transfer of ownership
- The vehicles do not have a vehicle identification number (VIN)

Transactions with liens, no Maryland driver license number, or transfers of ownership may be processed at tag and title services or dealers. The form for the Affidavit of Ownership for a Moped, motor Scooter, Off Road Vehicle, ATV, or Snowmobile is available at <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/Resources/VR-450.pdf> and the form for the decal at <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/Resources/VR-337.pdf>. VIN Assignments and other special or unusual transactions may only be processed at MVA full service branch offices.

For additional information, please sign onto the MVA Website at <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/Vehicle-Services/REG/mopeds-motor-scooters.htm>. Questions may be referred to Vehicle Services Response Unit via email to [VSResponse@mdot.state.md.us](mailto:VSResponse@mdot.state.md.us).