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Idaho salvage yard licenses and permits

What Idaho requires of these businesses: registration, tax, licenses and the official links to check.

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1 The rules at a glance

- Idaho seller's permit (labor not taxed when listed separately)
- Ask ITD about salvage titles and junkyard rules
- Dealer license to sell vehicles
- Sales tax on parts
- Forklift operator training

Requirements at a glance

Sales tax on parts you sell

Required - State - Idaho State Tax Commission

Used parts and other goods you sell are taxable.

Salvage yard rules: ask ITD and your county

Required in some cases - Municipal - Idaho Transportation Department; your city or county

We found no separate Idaho State salvage yard license in the sources we checked. Selling vehicles requires a dealer license. Ask ITD about salvage titles and its junkyard rules, and your city or county about zoning.

Forklift operator training (OSHA)

Required in some cases - Federal - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

If employees use forklifts, the employer must train and evaluate each operator before they operate one (29 CFR 1910.178(l)).

Official agencies and links

29 CFR 1910.178, Powered industrial trucks (operator training, paragraph (l))
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1910/1910.178

Idaho Code Title 49, Chapter 16: Dealers and Salesmen Licensing
Idaho Legislature
https://legislature.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/statutesrules/idstat/Title49/T49CH16.pdf

Repair Shops (sales and use tax guide)
Idaho State Tax Commission
https://tax.idaho.gov/taxes/sales-use/guides-for-certain-groups/repair-shops/

Frequently asked questions

Does Idaho license salvage yards?
We found no separate state salvage yard license; selling vehicles needs an ITD dealer license. Ask ITD and your county.

This guide is general information, not legal advice. Rules change and can depend on your city or county, so confirm with the official agencies linked below before you apply.