

# Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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## KTM Motorcycles

Recently, PennDOT became aware of a brand of motorcycles that do not conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) for on-road use. The motorcycle manufacturer KTM Sport motorcycle AG produces mainly off-road motorcycles. The manufacturer's certificates of origins (MCO) do indicate that the body style for these vehicles is motorcycle and there is no distinction indicating that these motorcycles were manufactured for off-road use. When doing a VIN decode for these vehicles in the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration's (NHTSA) VIN decode, these vehicles come back with the following codes:

"10 - Off-road Vehicle Warning – This is not a vehicle identification number (VIN) for a motor vehicle. This indicates that the manufacturer did not certify this product as complying with the Federal motor vehicle safety standards which are applicable to motor vehicles."

Additionally, NHTSA identifies the model as "closed course competition" and the body class as "off-road - Motocross (Off-road short distance, closed track racing)."

Business partners and agents should not issue registration for this brand of motorcycle. If the customer disagrees with this determination, agents can use the [NHTSA VIN decode](#) tool to validate if the bike is manufactured for on-road or off-road use.

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[www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov).