**EVALUATION OF PROPERTY DAMAGE**

Wisconsin Department of Transportation DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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| Name of Property Owner (First Middle, Last) | Accident Number | Accident Date (m/d/yyyy) |
| Address | Accident Location (City, Town or Village) | |
| City State Zip Code | Address of Property Struck | |
|  | Vehicle Operator/Owner | |

Our records show that your property was damaged in the above accident and one of the motorists may not have insurance. This form may assist you and/or your insurance company to recover damages. Please answer the questions below **before** a qualified evaluator completes the certification.

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| **YES** **NO** |  |
|  | Did the motorist without insurance cause the accident? |
|  | Does the motorist without insurance still owe you OR your insurance company for your property damage? |
|  | Were your property damages $1,000 or more OR were you listed as injured on the accident report? |

If you answered “**NO**” to ANY of these questions, **STOP!** **DO NOT** return this form.

If you answered “**YES**” to these questions, **please read the BACK of this form**. This form must be completed by a qualified evaluator and returned to the address above.

**DO NOT COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION YOURSELF.**

Damage estimates or bills are NOT acceptable in place of a properly completed and signed evaluation.

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| **CERTIFICATION OF PROPERTY DAMAGE**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Description of Item(s) Evaluated | Name of Owner of Item(s) | | Owner Address | | Owner City State Zip Code |   1. Total property damage resulting from the above accident: $  **YES** **NO**  2. Do the repair costs exceed the value of the property?  3. If YES, give approximate fair market value of the property prior to the accident: $  I am aware that this certification will be used by the Department of Transportation to evaluate the property damage resulting from the above accident. The damage amount does not include new parts that are not justified or damages done before or after the above accident. I certify that the above damage amount, evaluated by me, is a true and correct estimate to the best of my knowledge.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Company Name | Title | | Address | Evaluator’s Name (print) | | City State Zip Code | **X** | | (Area Code) Telephone Number | |  | (Evaluator’s Signature) (Date) | |

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**Examples of qualified Evaluators who may complete the Certification portion of the form:**

\* Authorized claims representatives from insurance companies

\* Authorized technicians skilled in the repair of the property that was damaged:

* Carpenters
* Construction Company Contractors
* Cyclist Repair Shops
* Damage Adjusters or Appraisers
* Electricians
* Government (city, county, state)
* Landscapers
* Railroad Companies
* Sign Companies
* Utilities (power companies, telephone companies, etc.)

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| **Who may NOT complete the Certification portion of the form:**   * You (property owner) * Insurance **Agents** * Trucking Companies (unless your company repairs its own trailers, then a work order for the repairs must be attached to this completed form.) |

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**How will the completed form be used?**

The completed form is verification to the Department of Transportation of the amount of property damage resulting from this accident. No action can be taken unless this form is properly completed and returned to the address on the front side of this form.

The uninsured motorist may be required to:

* Show proof of settlement/agreement with you; OR
* Deposit security with our department (you will be notified if security is deposited).

If the uninsured motorist does not comply with either of the above, they may lose their driving and/or registration privileges for one year.

**What else can you do?**

The motorist without insurance often complies with the Safety Responsibility Law. If they do not comply, you may pursue your claim:

* In small claims court, if the claim is $5,000 or less; OR
* In circuit court, if the claim is over $5,000.

If the court decides the uninsured owes $500 or more, you must request the court certify the judgment to our Department under s.344.05 Wis. Stats. Once the certified judgment is received, the uninsured will lose their operating and registration privilege until the judgment is paid or for a maximum of 5 years.

**Questions?**

If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Accident Records Unit at the address or telephone number listed on the front of this form.