

Colorado Revised Statutes

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 -  **TITLE 42 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC**
 -  **AUTOMOBILE THEFT LAW**
 -  **ARTICLE 5 Automobile Theft Law – Inspection of Motor Vehicle Identification Numbers**
 -  **PART 1 AUTOMOBILE THEFT**
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42-5-102. Stolen motor vehicle parts – buying, selling – removed or altered motor vehicle parts – possession.

(1) Any person who buys, sells, exchanges, trades, receives, conceals, or alters the appearance of a motor vehicle or any motor vehicle part, equipment, attachment, accessory, or appurtenance which is the property of another or any person who aids or abets in the commission or attempted commission of any such act, knowing or having reasonable cause to know and believe that such motor vehicle or motor vehicle part, equipment, attachment, accessory, or appurtenance is stolen property, commits a class 5 felony and shall be punished as provided in section [18-1.3-401](#), C.R.S.

(2) Except as necessary to effect legitimate repairs, any person who intentionally removes, changes, alters, or obliterates the vehicle identification number, manufacturer's number, or engine number of a motor vehicle or motor vehicle part or who possesses a motor vehicle or a motor vehicle part and knows or has reasonable cause to know that it contains such a removed, changed, altered, or obliterated vehicle identification number, manufacturer's number, or engine number commits a class 5 felony and shall be punished as provided in section [18-1.3-401](#), C.R.S. Any person who commits any of said acts for the purpose of legitimately repairing the motor vehicle shall provide evidence of such legitimate repair to the investigating law enforcement agency. Such evidence shall include, but need not be limited to, preresearch and postresearch photographs of the affected motor vehicle part and vehicle identification number and a signed affidavit describing the required repairs.