

## **Deuce and a half**

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I am sitting here at my desk thinking back to my military days in the field. I am sure that many of my veteran friends recall the amazing two and half ton trucks. These vehicles were the workhorse of the military. There was little that these trucks could not do and they drove on just about anything from diesel to baby piss. They were reliable and powerful.

In a way I wouldn't mind having one and registering it here in Delaware as an antique vehicle. I only have to take it through the inspection one time and never again have to concern myself with paying for another registration. Granted the vehicle has to be older than 25 years but what the hell, these trucks are certainly that. It is one of the benefits of living in Delaware. The big drawback is that you cannot use it for your daily transportation.

The major issue associated with these trucks is that in some areas of the country they cannot be tagged, titled or registered at all. My next thought would be whether these trucks would require a CDL (Commercial Driver's License) as well as a USDOT number. Keep in mind that some trucks which exceed a certain weight are legally required to have a USDOT number. Naturally, I would be concerned about obtaining parts for these older vehicles as well, however, a quick search of the internet has shown many potential suppliers of parts.

In either case, I have seen several of these trucks in and around Dover. One is exceptionally restored and is used by the Mission BBQ Restaurant. The truck has been very carefully restored and preserved. Perhaps someone else has a thought about this? Have you considered purchases one of these trucks?