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Registration and Title System (RTS)

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Document Guide

The Registration and Title Systems (RTS) Release Notes have the following purposes:

- Prepare RTS users for upcoming system changes
- Provides a short-term reference tool for the period after a release when changes are still new to users
- Serve as a historical reference regarding the technical changes made to TxDMV applications

In each section of this document, you will find an overview of the RTS change and, in most cases, screen shots to help familiarize you with the new features and/or changes. The following icons highlight sub-sections of the release notes that might be of particular interest to RTS users.

RTS Change – New RTS feature, correction or modification included in the release.

How To… – Provides basic steps for using the RTS change Item.

Note – Provides a brief comment or a special mention of important facts or points.

Resource Link – Provides links to additional resources relevant to this change.

TAC Office Considerations – This section includes important points to consider when determining how to implement the new RTS change, reminders and useful tips.

Release at A Glance

This document describes new features, enhancements and defect corrections to the Registration and Title System (RTS) 6.9.0, Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service (IVTRS) 4.1.0, Remote Sticker Printing System (RSPS) 2.4.0. The visible changes in this release of known enhancements include:

- Delinquent Transfer Penalty
- Rebuilt Fee
- Title Event Enhancements
- Park Model Travel Trailer – Title Only
- Changes to Existing Receipts
- Eliminate Disabled Veteran Two Placard Limit
- Internet Renewal – Process New
- Personalized DV Specialty Plates
- Admin Table Changes
- County Fixes and Activity Changes
- Regional Service Center Changes

The 6.9.0 statewide release date is February 13 2012.

Flash Drive Updates to Laptops

Subcontractors should export existing transactions to a flash drive before updating the laptop so these transactions are not lost.

If you do not export before updating the laptop, the data could become corrupt which may result in having to enter these transactions manually.

Delinquent (Title) Transfer Penalty

Overview

The delinquent transfer penalty now applies to most vehicles whether it is a Texas titled vehicle with or without current registration. Previously, the penalty only applied to vehicles titled in Texas with current registration.

The delinquent transfer penalty applies to the following surrendered evidence of ownership:

Ownership Evidence (TTL011)	
Texas Title	Certified Copy Texas Title
Out-of-State Title*	Bonded Title
Government Bill of Sale	Auction Sales Receipt
Manufacturer's Cert. of Origin	Storage Lien
Form 97	Mechanic's Lien
Court Order	**Other***
Title Hearing	

Note *The delinquent transfer penalty does not apply when the Sales Tax Category is **NEW RESIDT** (New Resident) on the Sales Tax (TTL012) and the evidence of ownership surrendered is an **Out of State Title*** or **Other***.

The delinquent transfer penalty amounts have not changed. The table details the cumulative totals.

# of Days after date of sale (Calendar Days)	General Public	Military	Dealer
0-30	No Penalty	No Penalty	No Penalty
31-60	$25 ($25 Total)	No Penalty	$10 ($10 Total)
61-90	Additional $25 ($50 Total)	Additional $25 ($25 Total)	Additional $0 ($10 Total)
91-120	Additional $25 ($75 Total)	Additional $25 ($50 Total)	Additional $0 ($10 Total)
121-150	Additional $25 ($100 Total)	Additional $25 ($75 Total)	Additional $0 ($10 Total)

Note A Seller-Financed Dealer incurs a $10 penalty if filed on or after the 46th day after the date of sale/date of assignment, (there are no additional penalties thereafter).

TAC Office Considerations…

1. The delinquent transfer penalty also applies to the following: ATV, ROV, Off-Highway, Title Only, and Registration Invalid.
2. The penalty applies regardless of registration status (current or expired).

Rebuilt Fee

Overview

Tax offices no longer have to process multiple transactions to collect the Rebuilt Fee. The system collects the Rebuilt Fee in the Title event on the Title Additional Info (TTL008) at the time of application.

The new **Charge Rebuilt Salvage Fee** check box appears below the Charge Title TERP Fee.

After selecting the **Charge Rebuilt Salvage Fee**, check the applicable rebuilt salvage choice.

Salvage Error Messages

The message is not a hard stop.

The message does appear as a reminder to verify if the rebuilt salvage fee is applicable.

TAC Office Considerations…

1. The Rebuilt Fee will continue to appear in the drop down menu in Additional Collections however, the fee is collected in the title event on the Title Additional Info (TTL008) screen.
2. The Rebuilt Fee and the matching rebuilt brand appear on the Title Application Receipt.

Title Event Enhancements

Plate to Owner

The following system enhancements applies to plate to owner transfers. The Plate Transfer Fee check box is now the **Plate to Owner Transfer** check box on the Title Additional Info (TTL008) and Registration Additional Info (REG039).

Title Additional Info (TTL008)

The purpose of the check box remains the same, only the name has changed.

Registration Additional Info (REG039)

Select Plate to Owner Transfer when transferring, a customer supplied plate.

Validate Existing Registration for Dealer Sales

When transferring a title with expired registration and the Dealer GDN (P number) is entered on the Owner Entry (TTL007) screen, the system applies the **Valid Reason** code to calculate the registration fees.

ELT – e-Title to Paper Title and Print Date Captured

When the system receives notification that an electronic lien is in release status, the system automatically captures and records the date. The system converts the e–Title to a paper title, issues a new document number and sends the paper title to the owner.

The new document number and print date appear in the remarks box on the following screens:

- Title Record (TTL003)
- Status Change (TTL006)
- CCO (TTL018)
- Salvage (TTL016)
- Registration (REG003)
- Temp Additional Weight (MRG010)

TAC Office Considerations…

1. The print date (date of conversion) changes when a new transaction is processed.
2. The date of conversion (e-Title print date) appears in the remarks box.
3. The date of conversion will appear in MVDI and MainFrame online.

All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) & Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle (ROV)

The following system enhancements apply to All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) and Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle (ROV) in the title event.

The odometer reading and odometer brand fields for ATVs and ROVs are no longer required.

Title Record TTL003

No Title Record TTL003

Sales Tax (TTL012)

When a vehicle record is set up as ATV or ROV, the sales tax category will default to **Exempt** and the **Exempt Reasons** field will default to Off-Highway.

Park Model Travel Trailer – Title Only

Overview

County tax offices can now process a Park Model Travel Trailer as Title Only (No Regis) in RTS. A new Travel Trailer check box appears on the No Title Record (TTL004) or Title Record (TTL003) that enables the Park Model check box and the Travel Tlr Length and Width.

No Title Record (TTL004)

Title Record (TTL003)

TAC Office Considerations…

1. The length and width requirements and permits for a Travel Trailer or Park Model remain the same.
2. When selecting the Travel Trailer check box, the Fixed Weight and Trailer Type fields are disabled.

Changes to Existing Receipts

Inquiry Receipt

The word **Vehicle** no longer appears on Inquiry Receipts in RTS and the Transaction Reconciliation Report (5231). All other RTS receipts and reports remain unchanged.

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INQUIRY RECEIPT

COUNTY: HOOD                        TAC NAME: TERESA MCCOY
                                    DATE: 11/22/2011          EFFECTIVE DATE: 11/22/2011
PLATE NO:                           TIME: 01:44PM             EXPIRATION DATE: 10/2012
DOCUMENT NO: 11120040867130759      EMPLOYEE ID: DCOUNTS      TRANSACTION ID: 11120040867134432

OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS
TEST OWNER
123 ANY ST
ANY TOWN, TX 77777
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New Message on Registration Receipts

The provisions of HB 252, 82nd Texas Legislature related to Homestead Exemptions, prompted the addition of a new message that appears on most *RTS Registration Receipts*. The message is a reminder to registrants to keep their receipts. The new message reads, **Important Document: Please retain for your records.**

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IMPORTANT DOCUMENT: Please retain for your records.
THIS RECEIPT TO BE CARRIED IN ALL COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.
Purchased registration remains with this vehicle and
will not be refunded if the vehicle is sold.
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TAC Office Considerations…

1. The following receipts display the new message: Renewal, Exchange, Replacement, Modify, Duplicate, Sub-contractor Renewal, WebSub, and Internet Renewal – POS.
2. Title Application Receipts and Inquiry Receipts **do not** include the new message.
3. Refer to RTB #036-11 for additional processing information.

Eliminate Disabled Veteran Two Placard Limit

Overview

Disabled Veteran (DV) license plate holders may apply for a disabled parking placard for each vehicle displaying DV license plates. The system now allows you to process up to five placards in a single transaction for qualifying applicants.

For example, if a DV license plate holder requests 10 placards, county tax office personnel can process up to five placards in a single transaction.

Assigned New Disabled Placards (MRG025)

Before 6.9.0

After 6.9.0

If the number of placards exceeds the limit of 5 for a single transaction, the following message appears:

TAC Office Considerations…

1. Existing permanent and temporary placard rules remain unchanged.
2. Prior to this release, this process required five separate transactions.

Internet Renewal – Process New

Overview

Tax offices now have the ability to preview a receipt in RTS before completing an internet renewal registration. The new **Preview Receipt** button appears on the Vehicle Information and Processing (REG103) screen.

Vehicle Information and Processing (REG103)

The Preview Receipt on REG103 is available on processed transactions up to 10 days using the Search feature.

Preview Report RPR000: Internet Registration Renewal

Personalized DV Specialty Plates

Overview

All Disabled Veteran license plates may now be personalized. The standard $40 personalization fee applies.

Disabled Veteran	**DV CMOH Navy**
DV Silver Star	**DV CMOH Air Force**
DV Purple Heart	**DV DSM Army**
DV Navy Cross	**DV DSM Navy**
DV Army Distinguished Service Cross	**DV DSM Air Force**
DV Air Force Cross	**DV DSM Coast Guard**
DV Distinguished Flying Cross	**DV Bronze Star**
DV Legion Of Merit	**DV Bronze Star Valor**
DV CMOH Army	

Error Messages

Personalization must begin or end with **DV** except motorcycle plates with a graphic.

TAC Office Considerations…

1. Personalization must include **DV** as the Prefix or Suffix except motorcycle plates with a graphic. For example, (DVXXXX) or (%XXDV).
2. Motorcycle plates with a graphic do not require DV in the personalized plate selection fields. For example, (XXXX) or (%XX)
3. Reminder, when selecting the ISA symbol (%), the symbol takes up two spaces of personalization on the plate.

Admin Table Changes

Street Rod and Custom Specialty Plates

Street Rod means a motor vehicle manufactured before 1949 or after 1948 to resemble a vehicle manufactured before 1949; and is materially altered or modified by the removal, addition or substitution of at least one major component part.

Custom vehicle means a motor vehicle, or a reproduction that is at least 25 years old and of a model year after 1948 or a model year after 1948 that resembles a vehicle 25 years or older; and materially altered or modified by the removal, addition or substitution of at least one major component part.

A custom vehicle or street rod is not required to be equipped with a specific piece of equipment unless the equipment is required by statute as a condition of sale during the year listed as the model year.

The Street Rod and Custom specialty plates are available for the following registration classes:

- Moped
- Motorcycle
- Passenger less than or equal to 6000 lbs
- Passenger greater than 6000 lbs
- Truck less than or equal to 1 ton

Note

The Texas Administrative Rules regarding Street Rods and Custom Vehicles will be finalized in March. Tax offices will receive a Registration and Title Bulletin (RTB) with the policy and procedures for Street Rods and Custom Vehicles. After adoption of these rules, you may begin issuing the plates.

Additional DV Plate Patterns

The new DV patterns are available for all disabled veterans plates.

DVA0A1 – DVZ9Z9
A0A1DV – Z9Z9DV
A001DV – Z999DV

Resource Link: Specialty Plates Information & Forms

Access Specialty Plates information & forms from the TxDMV web site here:
http://www.txdmv.gov/whatyouneed/forms/license_plates.htm

TAC Office Considerations…

1. For an explanation of "Major component part" see Transportation Code §501.091.
2. For an explanation of "Street Rod and Custom Vehicles" see Transportation Code §504.501.

County Fixes and Activity Changes

Primary Event Selection	Secondary Event Selection	Activity Description	Status
Customer Registration Only	Renewal	**Problem:** When selecting **Invalid Reason** on the REG039, the system does not allow the option to sell 36 months.	**Fix Complete:**
RSPS	Updates	**Problem:** Admin Tables updates.	**Fix Complete:** The Admin Tables for RSPS have been update to include the November My Plates and legislative plate's release.

TxDMV Regional Service Center Changes

VTR-275 Title and Registration Verification (Inquiry)

Regional Service Centers have the option to request and print an automated non-certified or certified VTR-275 Title and Registration Verification. This new procedure eliminates the current multi-step process for verifying or certifying vehicle information.

How To…

Process a VTR-275 Title and Registration Verification:

1. Click on Customer in the RTS Main Menu.
2. Select Inquiry.
3. Click on Vehicle Information.
4. Enter Plate No, VIN or Document No and Enter.
5. Select one of the following:
   - View Only
   - Non-Certified
   - Certified
6. Verify the fees on the Pending Transaction screen.
7. Complete the transaction.
8. The VTR-275, cash register receipt and duplicate receipt prints.

New Inquiry types:

- Non-Certified
- Certified

Payment Descriptions

Non-Certified Inquiry

Certified Inquiry

New Transaction and Account Codes

Transaction Code

Trans Code	Transaction Code Description
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VDS	VTR-275 RESPONSE
VDSC	VTR-275 RESPONSE CERTIFIED
VDSCN	VTR-275 RESPONSE CERTIFIED NO-CHARGE
VDSN	VTR-275 RESPONSE NO-CHARGE

New Account Code

ACCT ITEM CD	DESCRIPTION
VEHIQC-R	VEH CERTIFICATION FEE REGION

Regional Office Considerations…

1. The VTR-275 and cash register receipt must print on VTR-500 receipt paper.
2. All VTR-275 transactions may be reprinted within the same day on the same workstation.
3. The state seal prints when the VTR-275 is certified.
4. The Print Preview button is not available for VTR-275 transactions only.
5. Redirecting the print destination is not available when processing a VTR-275 only.

Certified Motor Vehicle Record Request Response (Inquiry)

Texas Department *of* Motor Vehicles

[redacted]

CERTIFIED MOTOR VEHICLE RECORD REQUEST RESPONSE

Vehicle Information

VIN	Year	Make	Model	Body Style	Color	Title Issued Date	Title Document Number
1G1JC14G0M7	2003	CHEV	CRV	2D	BGE	12/03/2010	03125035

Current License Plate	Date of Expiration	Old License Plate	Date Expired	Reg Date	Vehicle Class	Plate Age
TGH5	January/2013	RTB6	January/2013	12/30/2011	PASS	0

Type of Plate	Reg Class	Fee	County Issued	Empty Wt	Gross Wt	Tonnage	Odometer	Sale Price
PASSENGER PLT	25	$72.75	CAMERON	2700	2700	0.00	120373	$500.00

Current Vehicle Owner Information

Vehicle Owner(s): LUZ VILLA

Owner Address: 1025 WILD LANE

City: BROWN State: TX Zip: 78520

Country:

Renewal Recipient Information

Recipient Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Lienholder Information as Reflected on Current Title Record Note: This document may not reflect all liens.

Lienholder:
Lienholder Address: Lien Date:
City: State: Zip: Country:

Lienholder:
Lienholder Address: Lien Date:
City: State: Zip: Country:

Lienholder:
Lienholder Address: Lien Date:
City: State: Zip: Country:

Previous Owner Information

Vehicle Owner Name: NORA GONZALEZ City: MATAMOROS State: MX

Remarks

ACTUAL MILEAGE.CCO ISSUED: 01/05/2012.REBUILT SALVAGE - LOSS UNKNOWN.PAPER TITLE.

Certification:

☒ The data included in this document represents the current duly recorded information regarding this motor vehicle at the time of inquiry. This is to certify that this document contains true and correct information as shown by the Vehicle Titles & Registration Division of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.

☐ This is to certify that the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles files reflect no record for the above referenced vehicle.

Date of Certification: January 9, 2012 Employee Id: DCOUNTS 275 AC Trans Id: 275100409

Attested by: Randy Elliston
Randy Elliston, Director
Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

If no record is found in RTS, the second check box is marked with an "X".

ORIGINAL
VTR-500-RTS (REV. 12/2009) DHT157490

Cash Register Receipt

Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

CASH REGISTER RECEIPT

[redacted]

OFFICE: WACO REGIONAL OFFICE

DATE: 01/03/2012
TIME: 02:39PM
EMPLOYEE ID:

TRANSACTION IDS

2751004090

TOTAL	$	3.30
METHOD OF PAYMENT AND PAYMENT AMOUNT:		
CHECK #	$	3.30
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID	$	3.30