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Known Enhancements to Existing Systems (KEES)

Registration and Title System (RTS)

Version 6.8.1

Release Notes

Legislative Release 2011

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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- Serve as a historical reference regarding the technical changes made to TxDMV applications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.

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Release at A Glance

This document describes new features, enhancements and defect corrections to the Registration and Title System (RTS) 6.8.1, Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service (IVTRS) 4.0.0 and Remote Sticker Printing System (RSPS) 2.3.0 releases. The visible changes in this release of known enhancements include:

- Voluntary Donations
- Internet Reports Disabled in RTS
- System Updates

Important Reminders

- ◆ The Legislative statewide release date is October 24, 2011.
- Flash Drive Updates support the plate release on September 23, 2011.



Flash Drive Updates to Laptops

In this release, several new plates are now available in RSPS, so be sure to update the subcontractor laptops with the latest version of RTS.

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.

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Voluntary Donations

Overview

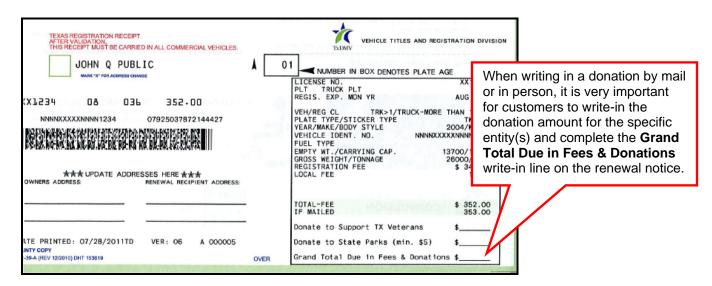
The redesigned registration renewal notice includes two write-in lines allowing for the collection of voluntary donations at the time of registration and/or registration, also an additional write-in line for the grand total due.

When customers register or renew their registration in person, by mail, or online, they may donate to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and/or the Veterans Assistance Fund by filling in the donation line on the registration renewal notice or by entering a donation amount when renewing online.

When the customer writes in a donation, if they do not clearly specify the entity, the tax assessor-collector will divide the donation between the two entities authorized to receive the contributions. If the customer makes a voluntary donation but does not include sufficient funds to cover the registration fees, the tax assessor-collector will credit all or a portion of the donation to the customer's registration fees.

The write-in lines appear in the lower right hand corner of the renewal notice:

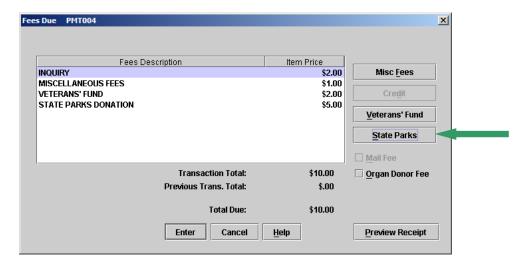
- Donate to Support Tx Veterans (no minimum for donation)
- Donate to State Parks (min. \$5)
- Grand Total Due in Fees & Donations



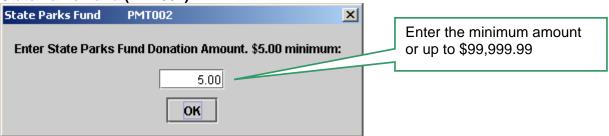
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Fees Due (PMT004)

The Fees Due (PMT004) screen displays a new donation button for the State Parks donation. The clerk selects **State Parks Donation** then enters the donation amount on the State Parks Fund (PMT002) screen.



State Parks Fund (PMT002)



Note

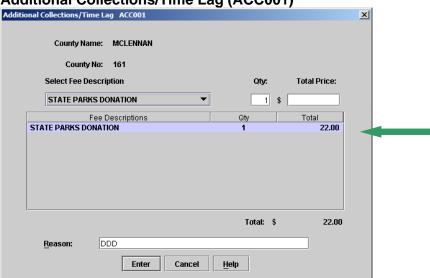
If the donation to the State Parks Fund is less than the \$5 min., the system will accept an amount less than the suggested minimum.

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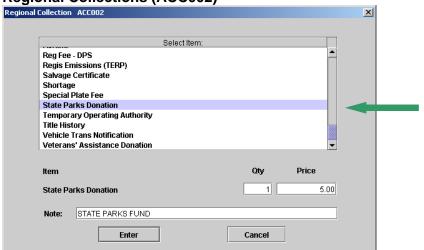
The State Parks and Veterans' Fund donations fields are also available in RTS through the following events:

- ♦ Additional Collections (ACC001)
- ♦ Regional Collections (ACC002)

Additional Collections/Time Lag (ACC001)



Regional Collections (ACC002)





TAC Office Considerations...

- 1. At this time, donations to State Parks and Veterans Fund are not available in RSPS or DTA.
- 2. If a refund is required, the customers must contact the Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPWD) (512) 389-8560 or the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) (512) 463-1157.
- 3. There are new account item codes for State Parks and Veterans Fund.
- 4. The donation amounts for State Parks and Veterans Fund appear on all VTR-500 receipts.

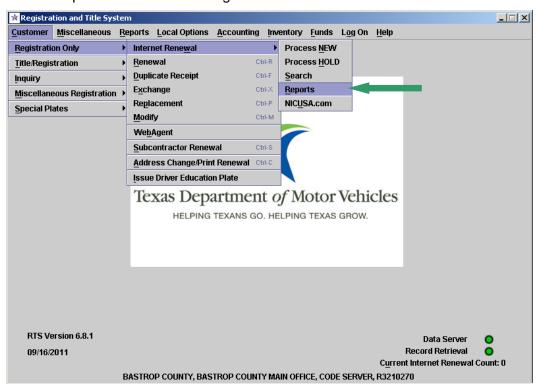
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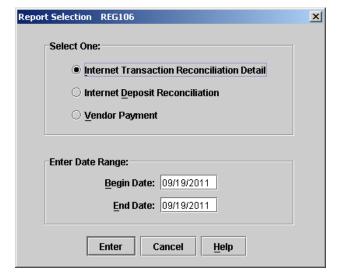
Internet Renewal Reports Changes

Overview

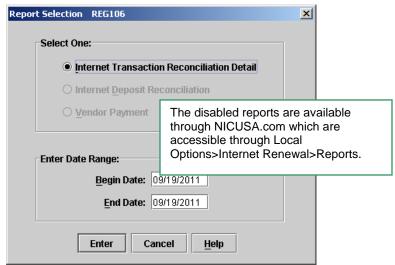
Access to the Internet Deposit Reconciliation and Vendor Payment reports are no longer available on the **Report Selection (REG106)** screen in RTS. The two reports are only available through the NICUSA website. The Internet Transaction Reconciliation Detail report is the only internet report still available through RTS.



Before 6.8.1



After 6.8.1



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System Updates

Dealer Title Transfers

The department has identified an inconsistency dealer title transfers related to plate-to-owner rules at the time of title transfers by a dealer after the implementation of RTS Release 6.8.0. For example, when a vehicle was currently registered at the time of title assignment, the registration was invalidated and new license plates were issued regardless of vehicle type.

With this release, the inconsistency with plate-to-owner related to dealer title transfers is fixed and the system will only issue the following plate types when applicable:

- ♦ Passenger
- ♦ Truck
- Combination
- Disaster Relief
- ♦ Fertilizer
- Soil Conservation

Note: As a reminder, plate-to-owner only applies to passenger vehicles (6000 lbs or less) and light trucks. However, due to the provisions of SB 1057 (invalidation of registration at time of sale by a dealer), it is necessary to issue new license plates to the following vehicles with annual registration: Combination, Disaster Relief, Fertilizer and Soil Conservation.

Title Application: Attaching a Special Plate

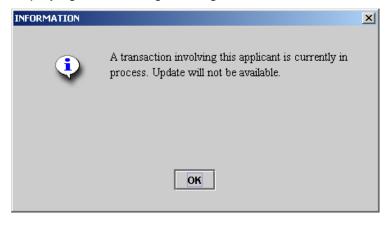
When transferring title and attaching a special plate, RTS was not charging the appropriate CRBF and the fee had to be collected through Additional Collections/Time Lag (ACC001) event.

With this release, the system collects the appropriate CRBF in the Title Event when attaching a special plate.

In Process Transactions for Disabled Parking Card

Occasionally, the system goes down while attempting to delete or replace a placard. When the system restarts, clerks were unable to re-select the Disabled Parking Placard transaction already in process.

With this release, if the system goes down when replacing or deleting a Disabled Parking Placard, the system will allow the clerk to repeat the request on the same workstation without displaying the following message:



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