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# Registration and Title System Release 7.3.0

## Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service 4.5.0

## Release Notes v.2

Release Date September 16, 2013

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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.

- Provide 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- Serve as a historical reference regarding the technical changes made to Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) applications.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 RTS 7.3.0 and Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service (IVTRS).  The visible enhancements in this release include:

♦ Inquiry Key Selection (KEY001) Screen Changes

♦ "No Record Found" on Vehicle Inquiry Receipt

♦ Late Registration Penalty

♦ Internet Vehicle Registration System (IVTRS)

♦ 2013 Legislative Plates

♦ Capture of Owner's ID on Title

♦ Admin Table Updates

♦ TxDMV Headquarters and Regional Service Centers Changes

**The 7.3.0 statewide release date is September 16, 2013.**

**Note: WebDealer-eTitles**

The 7.3.0 Release includes RTS functionality that is needed to support the upcoming WebDealer-eTitle application.  Including it in 7.3.0 ensures it will be available before counties begin to come on board with the new WebDealer system.  Pilot for WebDealer will begin in September 2013, but it will not be available statewide until 2014.  The Release Notes for WebDealer-eTitle will be published prior to the system's RTS release.

**Important Reminders**

♦ Flash Drive Updates to support the latest plate release.

**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 not implemented with WebSub 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.

**Overview**

There are two minor RTS screen changes to the Inquiry Key Selection (**KEY001**) Screen. The Inquiry Key has moved to the top left of the screen under these categories:

- ♦ Customer, Registration Only and Renewal, Duplicate Receipt, Exchange, Replacement or Modify.

- ♦ Title and Status Change.

- ♦ Special Plates and Application.

- ♦ Accounting and Item(s), Deduct Hot Check Credit, Hot Check Redeemed, Hot Check Credit or Refunds.

The right side of the screen is now blank.

**Before 7.3.0**                                                    **After 7.3.0**
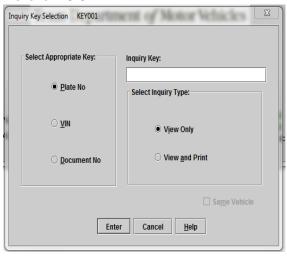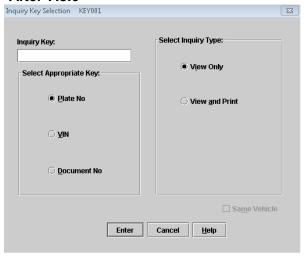
In RTS under **Customer, Inquiry and Vehicle Information**, the Inquiry Key has moved to the top left of the screen.

**Before 7.3.0**



**After 7.3.0**
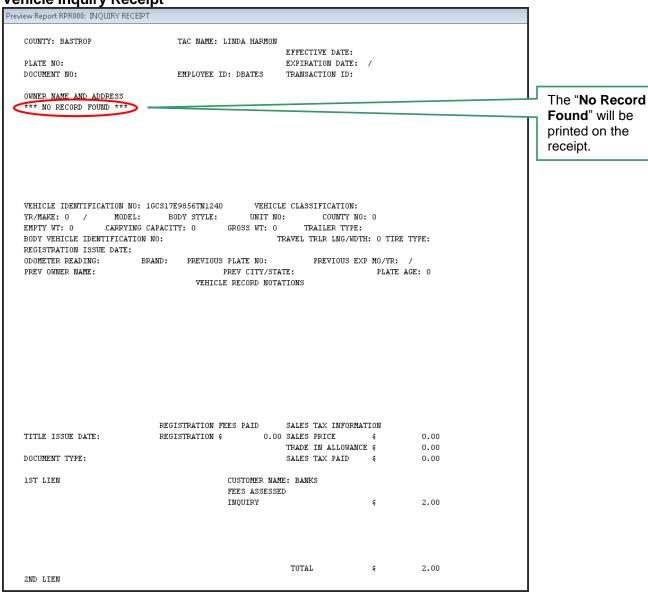
**Overview**

When a customer requests a vehicle inquiry receipt, but the plate number or VIN does not have a record in the system, "**No Record Found**" will now be printed on the receipt.

**Vehicle Inquiry Receipt**

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Preview Report RPR000: INQUIRY RECEIPT

   COUNTY: BASTROP                 TAC NAME: LINDA HARMON
                                                      EFFECTIVE DATE:
   PLATE NO:                                          EXPIRATION DATE:  /
   DOCUMENT NO:              EMPLOYEE ID: DBATES    TRANSACTION ID:

   OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS
   *** NO RECORD FOUND ***




   VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO: 1GCS17E9856TN1240     VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION:
   YR/MAKE: 0  /     MODEL:     BODY STYLE:     UNIT NO:        COUNTY NO: 0
   EMPTY WT: 0      CARRYING CAPACITY: 0     GROSS WT: 0     TRAILER TYPE:
   BODY VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO:                 TRAVEL TRLR LNG/WDTH: 0 TIRE TYPE:
   REGISTRATION ISSUE DATE:
   ODOMETER READING:        BRAND:    PREVIOUS PLATE NO:         PREVIOUS EXP MO/YR:  /
   PREV OWNER NAME:                       PREV CITY/STATE:              PLATE AGE: 0
                              VEHICLE RECORD NOTATIONS





                         REGISTRATION FEES PAID     SALES TAX INFORMATION
   TITLE ISSUE DATE:        REGISTRATION $       0.00 SALES PRICE      $       0.00
                                                 TRADE IN ALLOWANCE $       0.00
   DOCUMENT TYPE:                                SALES TAX PAID     $       0.00

   1ST LIEN                          CUSTOMER NAME: BANKS
                                     FEES ASSESSED
                                     INQUIRY                   $       2.00




                                          TOTAL         $       2.00
   2ND LIEN
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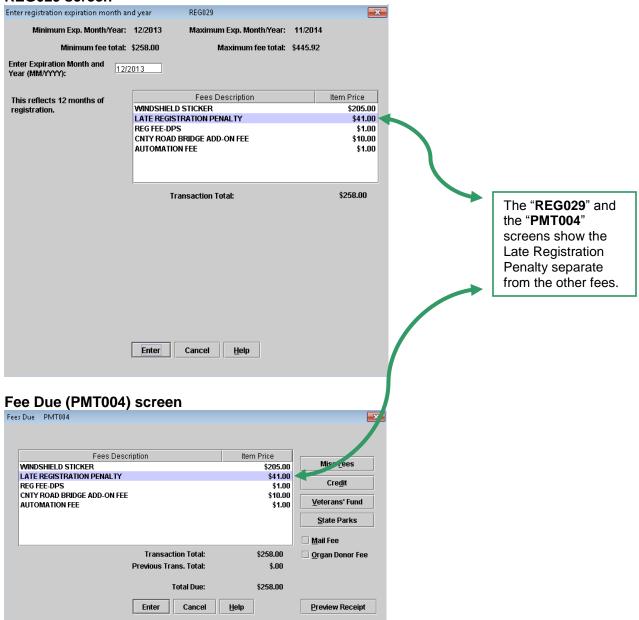The "**No Record Found**" will be printed on the receipt.
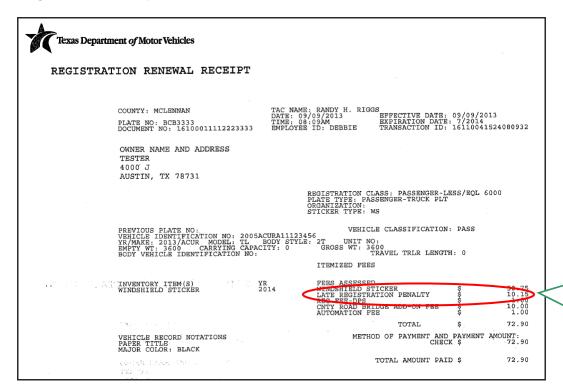
**Late Registration Penalty**

## Overview

When a vehicle registration is renewed late (after it has expired), the owner must declare the reason for the late renewal: **Valid**, **Invalid** or **Citation/Charge Penalty**.  When the Citation/Charge Penalty is selected, a 20% late registration penalty is added to the registration fee.  The 20% late registration penalty has a separate line item listed on the RTS screens **REG029** and **PMT004**.  Also, the registration receipt has a separate line item.

### REG029 screen



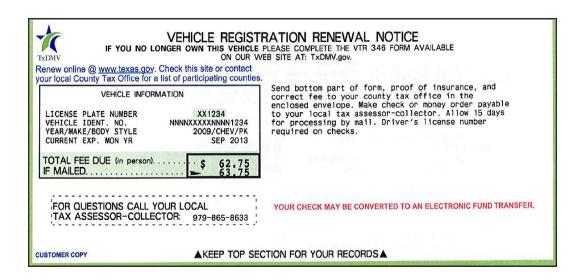The "**REG029**" and the "**PMT004**" screens show the Late Registration Penalty separate from the other fees.

### Fee Due (PMT004) screen

**Registration Receipt**

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Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

REGISTRATION RENEWAL RECEIPT


COUNTY: MCLENNAN              TAC NAME: RANDY H. RIGGS
                              DATE: 09/09/2013      EFFECTIVE DATE: 09/09/2013
PLATE NO: BCB3333             TIME: 08:09AM         EXPIRATION DATE: 7/2014
DOCUMENT NO: 16100011112223333 EMPLOYEE ID: DEBBIE  TRANSACTION ID: 16110041524080932


OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS
TESTER
4000 J
AUSTIN, TX 78731


                              REGISTRATION CLASS: PASSENGER-LESS/EQL 6000
                              PLATE TYPE: PASSENGER-TRUCK PLT
                              ORGANIZATION:
                              STICKER TYPE: WS

PREVIOUS PLATE NO:                     VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION: PASS
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO: 2005ACURA11123456
YR/MAKE: 2013/ACUR  MODEL: TL   BODY STYLE: 2T   UNIT NO:
EMPTY WT: 3600    CARRYING CAPACITY: 0    GROSS WT: 3600
BODY VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO:                TRAVEL TRLR LENGTH: 0

                              ITEMIZED FEES

INVENTORY ITEM(S)          YR      FEES ASSESSED
WINDSHIELD STICKER         2014    WINDSHIELD STICKER      $       50.75
                                   LATE REGISTRATION PENALTY $     10.15
                                   REG FEE-DPS              $       1.00
                                   CNTY ROAD BRIDGE ADD-ON FEE $   10.00
                                   AUTOMATION FEE           $        1.00

                                           TOTAL      $       72.90

VEHICLE RECORD NOTATIONS           METHOD OF PAYMENT AND PAYMENT AMOUNT:
PAPER TITLE                                    CHECK $       72.90
MAJOR COLOR: BLACK
                                   TOTAL AMOUNT PAID $       72.90
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The "**Registration Receipt**" also shows the Late Registration Penalty separate from the other fees.

## Multi-Year Registration Disabled in IVTRS

A multi-year registration option for 24 or 36 months was previously available for most vehicle types in IVTRS; however, in preparation for a legislative change, the option is now **12 months** for online registration.  In addition, the renewal notice message "**You may renew this registration for more than one year online or at your county tax office**" will no longer appear.



## Voluntary Donation in IVTRS

A new voluntary donation has been added to online registration.  When customers are processing their registration online, they may make a voluntary donation of a $1 to Donate Life Texas by clicking the Organ Donor Contribution checkbox.

## Overview

All of these plates are available for passenger vehicles, trucks, motorcycles and mopeds.

**Note**: The "Surviving Spouse Disabled Veteran" plate is not a new specialty plate but the fee structure has changed, so it is similar to a DV plate.

**2013 Legislative Plates**

| Plate Name | Plate | | Registration Fee | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1st Set | Add'l Sets | 1st Set | Add'l Sets |
| Air Medal | $0 | $0 | N | Y |
| Air Medal w/Valor | $0 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Air Medal | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Air Medal w/Valor | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Army | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Navy | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Air Force | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Marines | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Coast Guard | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| Defense Superior Service Medal | $0 | $0 | N | Y |
| DV Defense Superior Service Medal | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
| Coast Guard Academy | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| Merchant Marine Academy | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| Enduring Freedom Afghanistan | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| U.S. Army Retired | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| U.S. Navy Retired | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| U.S. Air Force Retired | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| U.S. Marines Retired | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| U.S. Coast Guard Retired | $0 | $0 | Y | Y |
| Surviving Spouse DV | $3 | $0 | N | Y |
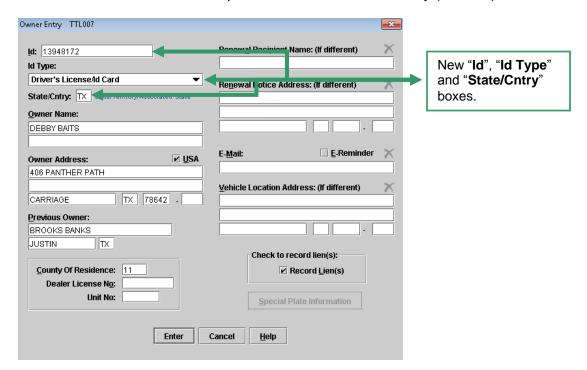
Note Disabled Veteran plates (first set only) will be available once again for vehicles more than 18,000 lbs. Although, due to legislative change, the plates may no longer be issued with the International Symbol of Access for vehicles more than 18,000 lbs.
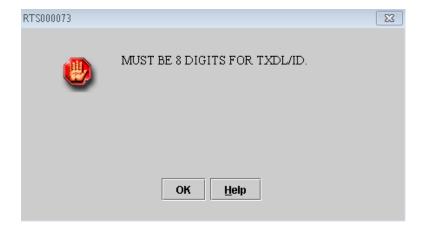
**Capture of Owner's ID on Title**

### Overview

The owner's Driver's License/ID Card, Passport, U.S. Military, U.S. Immigration/DOJ, Department of State, or Department of Homeland Security ID information can now be entered on the Owner Entry (**TTL007**) screen when processing a title transfer. The Id, Id Type and the State/Cntry fields have been added to the top left corner of the Owner Entry (**TTL007**) screen.
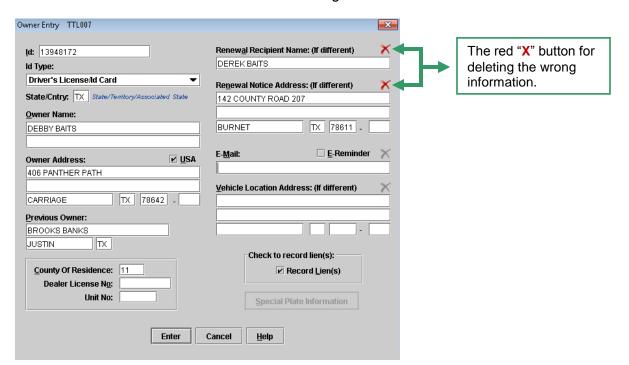


If all zero's are entered or if more or less than 8-digits are entered for a Texas DL/ID, the following message will be presented.



Click on "**OK**" to return to the Owner Entry (**TTL007**) screen to re-enter the Id number.

The red "**X**" button located in the top right corner has been added to the Owner Entry (**TTL007**) screen.   Click on the red "**X**" to delete the existing information and enter the correct information.



The red "**X**" button for deleting the wrong information.

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![info icon] **TAC Office Considerations…**

1.  The Form 130-U (REV. 8/2013), Application for Texas Title, has been updated to include space for legal name and identification information.  The new version of the form is available on the TxDMV Website.

2.  If using a revised 130-U (Rev. 8/2013), please have the applicant write the ID type and number in the boxes provided. If an older version of the 130-U is used, the identification information should be written in the gray box or the margin in the upper right hand side of the form.  Please Note: If the ID used is a driver's license, state ID or passport, also include the state, territory, or country in the margin.

3.  Title applications that do not include an ID type and number will be rejected if they are received by the county on November 1, 2013 or after. As of November 1, 2013, ID information will be required in RTS.

4.  Make sure the name on the 130-U matches the name provided on the ID.

5.  Once ID information is entered into RTS, it is stored and secure.  It is not visible outside of TxDMV.

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![info icon] **Resource Link: State and Country Abbreviations**

The document provides a list of State, U.S. Territory, Government Agency and Military, Country and Territory codes needed for the State/Cntry field on the TTL007 screen.

## Admin Table Updates

### Delinquent Transfer Penalty

With the passage of HB 2741, the Delinquent Transfer Penalty for late title transfer is capped at a maximum of $250.  RTS has been programmed to ONLY allow up to a $250 delinquent transfer penalty to be collected.  The bill did not provide for the collection of any retroactive penalties.

### Optional Titling of Trailers

With the passage of HB 2741, trailers less than or equal to 4,000 lbs. gross weight have the option to be titled.  Owners who wish to title their trailers must obtain a TxDMV assigned VIN (Refer to RTB#028-13 for more information).

### Vehicle Sold Date on the Title Record (TTL003) Screen

When processing a title transfer to a new owner and the previous owner submitted a Form VTR-346, *Texas Motor Vehicle Transfer Notification*, the "**VEH TRANSFERRED**" notation will now display in the remarks box on the Title Record (**TTL003**) screen.
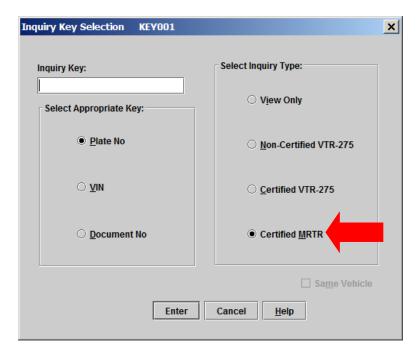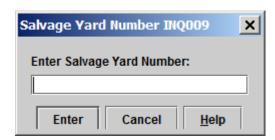
**Certified Metal Recycler Title Receipt (CMRTR) for Salvage Yards**

Currently, the VTR-203, *Salvage Bill of Sale* is used by salvage yards to provide metal recyclers with proof that the vehicle title was surrendered to the department as required by law. We have developed a Certified Metal Recycler Title Receipt (CMRTR) to replace the VTR-203 for Salvage Yards to use as proof that they surrendered the vehicle title to the department. In order for a Salvage Yard to obtain a CMRTR, a salvage yard will have to be recorded in RTS as having surrendered the vehicle title, which will allow them to sell vehicles to metal recyclers.

TxDMV Headquarters and Regional Service Centers will now have the ability to print a Certified MRTR. This new CMRTR may **ONLY** be obtained if the motor vehicle record reflects "**EVIDENCE SURRENDERED BY SALVAGE YARD**" and "**SALVAGE YARD #XXXXXXXXX**".

A new button, "**Certified MRTR**", has been added on the Inquiry Key Selection (**KEY001**) screen under Customer, Inquiry and Vehicle Information.



The number entered must match the Salvage Yard number in the RTS database for the record, otherwise an error message will display.

When the Salvage Yard number does not match the number that was entered, the following message will be presented.

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RTS000070                                          [×]

    [🛑]    CANNOT BE PROCESSED. SALVAGE YARD
            NUMBER DOES NOT MATCH.



              OK        Help
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**Considerations…**

1. Salvage Yards will have to apply for the Certified MRTR using a new application that is currently being developed.

2. The VTR-203 is still currently available for use but will be obsolete and removed when the department begins issuing the CMRTRs. Issuance of the CMRTRs will begin in the near future. Stay tuned for more information.

## Issuing Duplicate COAs

Due to the "Corrected and Duplicate" buttons being disabled on the Salvage (**TTL016**) screen in the Salvage/COA event, the Title Control System (TCS) Salvage Unit had to use a workaround procedure to issue a "**Corrected**" or "**Duplicate**" Certificate Of Authority.  The corrected and duplicate buttons are now enabled giving TCS the ability to issue corrected and duplicate COA documents.



The "**COA**" button.

Enabled "**Corrected**" and "**Duplicate**" buttons.