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# Registration and Title System 

Point of Sale<br>County Release Notes

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## About the Release

These Release Notes contain information about new features, enhancements, and reported issues resolved in this release of the Registration and Title System Point of Sale (RTS POS).

Release Notes are located under the Release Notes \& Support tab on the TAC Hub (www.txdmv.gov/tax-assessor-collectors).


## RTS POS Overview

The refactored RTS POS is a web-based application designed to process vehicle registrations, titles, and temporary permits for Texas motorists. RTS POS provides functions for cash accounting, funds allocations, and a full audit trail along with inventory control for license plates, windshield/plate stickers, and temporary permits.

## Getting Help

When logged in to the RTS POS, you can display reference information about using the RTS POS and get specific application-level help.

- To get application-level help, click Help on the page you are viewing
- To see the entire user assistance web site, select Help > User Guide on the main page menu bar.


## Additional Resources

For additional resources for the RTS POS, see the TAC hub (www.txdmv.gov/tax-assessorcollectors). Open the Resources tab, select Publications \& Manuals| TAC|RTS Support.

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## Summary of Enhancements

RRTS-33682 New DV ISA Commendation Medal for 5 branches of US Military Specialty License Plates

RRTS-33650 New DV and DV ISA for U.S. Paratrooper(s) Specialty License Plates
RRTS-33640 New Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate
RRTS-33540 New Antarctica Service Medal Specialty License Plate
RRTS-33539 New Industrial Firefighters Specialty License Plate
RRTS-33538 New Retired Peace Officer Specialty License Plate
RRTS-33537 New Federal Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate
RRTS-33535
RRTS-33494 New Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Specialty License Plate

RRTS-33258 Additional Fee for Electric Vehicles at Time of Initial Registration and Renewal

## Enhancements in RTS POS 23.4

## RRTS-33682 New DV ISA Commendation Medal for 5 branches of US Military Specialty License Plates

The DV ISA Commendation Medal for 5 branches of US Military Specialty License Plates have 7 characters and 8 bytes for full size plates.

The DV ISA Air Force Commendation Medal Specialty License Plate:


The DV ISA Army Commendation Medal Specialty License Plate:


DV ISA Coast Guard Commendation Medal Specialty License Plate:


DV ISA Joint Service Commendation Medal Specialty License Plate:


DV ISA Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal Specialty License Plate


The DV ISA Commendation Medal for 5 branches of US Military Specialty License Plates are available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |

## RRTS-33650 New DV and DV ISA for U.S. Paratroopers Specialty License Plates

The DV and DV ISA for U.S. Paratroopers Specialty License Plates have 7 characters and 8 bytes for full-size plates.
The DV U.S. Master Paratrooper Specialty License Plate:

The DV ISA U.S. Master Paratrooper Specialty License Plate:


DV U.S. Senior Paratrooper


DV ISA U.S. Senior Paratrooper

DV U.S. Paratrooper

DV ISA U.S. Paratrooper

The DV for Paratroopers Specialty License Plates are available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |

The DV ISA for Paratroopers Specialty License Plates are available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 37,38 | TRUCK |

## RRTS-33640 New Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate

The Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate has 7 characters and 8 bytes for full-size plates.

The Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

The DV Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |

The DV ISA Operation Freedom's Sentinel Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |

## New Antarctica Service Medal Specialty License Plate

The Antarctica Service Medal Specialty License Plate has 6 characters and 6 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.

The Antarctica Service Medal Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

## RRTS-33539 New Industrial Firefighter Specialty License Plate

The Industrial Firefighter Specialty License Plate has 6 characters and 6 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.


The Industrial Firefighter Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

RRTS-33538 New Retired Peace Officer Specialty License Plate
The Retired Peace Officer Specialty License Plate has 6 characters and 6 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.


The Retired Peace Officer Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

## RRTS-33537 New Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate

The Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate has 6 characters and 6 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.


The Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVELTRAILER |

The DV Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate has 7 characters and 8 bytes for full-size plates.

The DV Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |



The DV ISA Humanitarian Service Medal Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes. It is 5 characters and 5 bytes for full-size plates. ISA and DV are pre-printed.

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |

## RRTS-33535 New Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Specialty License Plate

The Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Specialty License Plate has 5 characters and 5 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.


The Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

## RRTS-33494 New Burn Pits $\mathbf{3 6 0}$ Veterans Organization Specialty License Plate

The Burn Pits 360 Veterans Organization Specialty License Plate has 5 characters and 5 bytes for full-size plates, and 4 characters and 4 bytes for moped/motorcycle.


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The Burn Pits 360 Veterans Organization Specialty License Plate is available for the following Registration Classes:

| 25,26 | PASSENGER |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35,36 | TRUCK |
| 20,22 | MOPED, MOTORCYCLE |
| 37,38 | TRAILER, TRAVEL TRAILER |

## RRTS-33258 Additional Fee for Electric Vehicles at Time of Renewal

Update the Registration Renewal Notice by adding a line item for the Electric Vehicle (EV) fee, if applicable.


For vehicles with September and October 2023 registration expiration, letters were mailed the week of July 24th to inform EV owners of the change in state law and the impact to their renewal cost that is not reflected on their renewal notice.

Fully electric cars and trucks with a gross vehicle weight of $10,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. or less will be assessed an annual $\$ 200$ fee at time of initial registration or renewal. New EVs issued two years of registration to match a two-year inspection will be assessed a $\$ 400$ fee.

The new fee will be collected on EV registrations processed on or after September 1, 2023, along with vehicle registration and other fees. Customers renewing their registration prior to September 1, 2023, will not be charged the EV fee regardless of when their registration expires.

The EV fee will not apply to hybrid vehicles or vehicles with combination fuel types. Motorcycles, mopeds, autocycles, and neighborhood electric vehicles will not be charged the EV fee. Additionally, governmental vehicles with exempt registration and other vehicles for which no registration fee is due, including those with Disabled Veteran and other meritorious military license plates, will not be assessed the EV fee.

System programming will determine if an EV fee is due based on the fuel type, vehicle type, vehicle weight, and registration type.

If a Fuel Type is not provided and the user has not made a selection, the following message will be presented:


Fuel Type Code is available for modification in the following RTS events:

- Title
- Non-Title
- Renew
- Modify
- Exchange


## Title Transfer

Processing a title with an existing record in RTS will present the fuel type on the Title Record TTL003 screen.

Screen Number: TTL003


Processing a title without an existing record in RTS will present the fuel type on the No Title Record TTLOO4 screen.

Screen Number: TTL004


If the vehicle fuel type populated in RTS is found to be erroneous, use a supervisor override code to change the previously decoded fuel type.

Screen Number: TTL003


Note: The EV fee will be collected for all retail sales on or after September 1, 2023, that involves the issuance of title and registration for fully electric cars and trucks. Vehicles sold prior to September 1, 2023, will not be assessed the EV fee, regardless of when the title and registration application is submitted.

Once the Fuel Type is determined, the system will proceed to REG029.
Screen Number: REG029


## Renewal:

When processing a renewal in RTS the fuel type will be displayed on the Registration REG003 screen.
*Fuel type can be updated utilizing the supervisor override code.
Screen Number: REG003


Once the Fuel Type is determined, the system will proceed to REG029.
Screen Number: REG029


Note: For vehicles with expired registration between 10 and 12 months, motorists have the option for one or two years of registration. When renewing for two years of registration the EV fee will be double and the motorist will be charged $\$ 400$.

## Exchange:

A currently registered EV obtaining a specialty plate outside of renewal window will have the EV Fee prorated in the Exchange event.

Screen Number: REG029


## Modify:

In the example shown below, the vehicle's fuel type is being modified from Gas to Electric and will be done on the Registration REG003 screen in the Modify event.

Screen Number: REG003


Defects Addressed in RTS POS 23.4

| ID | Description |
| :---: | :---: |
| RRTS-32818 | Middle Initial field is accepting numeric values in MRG022 screen <br> Previously: Middle initial field is accepting numeric values. <br> Change: Users are prohibited from entering invalid characters in the middle initial field. <br> When a user enters an invalid character, the following pop-up message will be displayed: <br> THE FIELD ENTRY IS INVALID.THE FOLLOWING CHARACTER IS INVALID: 1 <br> Upon clicking the "OK" button, the invalid field will be highlighted in red. |
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