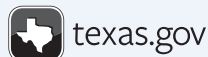


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Your vehicle title needs maintenance, too.



When it comes to license plates, registering your car, truck or motorcycle, or transferring a vehicle title from one owner to the next, the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles can help.

Protect your title, Texas.

Your title can keep you out of a jam.

An up-to-date title lists a vehicle's current owner. It's up to you to make sure the paperwork on your car or truck is correct. When a vehicle is sold, traded in or given away, the vehicle's title must be reassigned to its new owner. If the paperwork side of the transaction isn't handled properly, the seller will continue to be listed as the vehicle's official owner and will remain liable for offenses associated with the vehicle, such as parking tickets, toll violations, and even criminal activity. Buyers who don't apply for a new title face late penalties that can mount up to hundreds of dollars.

Whether you're the buyer or seller, protect yourself by filing the required paperwork.

If you're the seller ...

- File a Vehicle Transfer Notification within 30 days when you sell, trade-in, gift or donate** your car or truck to an individual, dealership or organization. It's free and you can submit the Vehicle Transfer Notification online at www.TxDMV.gov. This tells TxDMV that you no longer own the vehicle, which means you cannot be held responsible for parking tickets, toll charges and other violations associated with the vehicle after the sale date. Remember: You only have 30 days to remove your liability.
- Sign over the title to the buyer** and complete your section of the 130-U (Application for Texas Certificate of Title). Find the form at www.TxDMV.gov. Also, provide any other supporting documents. Keep the date of sale, vehicle make, model, Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and the buyer's name, address and phone number.
- You can keep your license plates.** Just remove them and peel off the windshield registration sticker when you sell or trade in the vehicle. Request a license plate transfer at your local county tax office to use the plates on another vehicle. It's that easy.



Keep Your Plates

Now when you sell a vehicle, you can keep your license plates and re-use them on your next vehicle or any other vehicle you own. This is a good deal for several reasons. Keeping your plates forces the buyer to re-title the vehicle in his or her name, which protects you. Plus, if you know your license plate number, there's no need to memorize a new one, and of course, manufacturing fewer plates saves taxpayers money and helps the environment.

If you're the buyer ...

- Make sure you're getting a clean title** with no legal or salvage issues when you buy a car or truck. Protect yourself by taking the seller with you to the county tax office to transfer the title.
- Ask for the vehicle's records**, such as the Texas Registration Receipt and other supporting documents. Write down the date of sale, vehicle information including make, model, Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and the seller's name, address and phone number.
- Get your new vehicle titled in your name.** You have 20 business days from the date of sale to apply for a new title, or you'll be charged an automatic \$25 penalty, plus another \$25 for each month you are late. File the 130-U (Application for Texas Certificate of Title) signed by the seller at your local county tax office. You can find the form at www.TxDMV.gov.
- Download a temporary Vehicle Transit Permit** at www.TxDMV.gov if the seller took the plates off the car or truck. It's required to legally drive the vehicle to the county tax office to title and register it in your name.

Beware of Driveway Sales

While it's more convenient, it's also risky to simply sign and hand over the title when you're selling a vehicle on your own. As the seller, you're still listed in the state's records as the owner. If you're the buyer, you have no way of knowing if there is a problem with the vehicle's title. The best way to protect both the buyer and seller? Go to your local county tax office together and fill out the required paperwork to complete the sale.

TxDMV is at Your Service

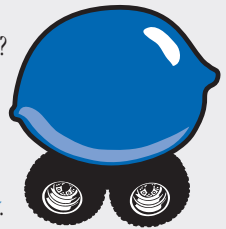
Title Check

Use the TxDMV's free Title Check before you buy a used vehicle. Enter the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and the system will look for value-limiting remarks associated with that Texas title, such as salvage, flood damage, etc. Learn more at www.TxDMV.gov.



Lemon Law

Think you bought a lemon? Find out how to get your new vehicle fixed or replaced at www.TxDMV.gov.



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Learn how to protect yourself when hiring a moving company. Go to www.TxDMV.gov.

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TexasSure

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