

County Clerk Spring Conference 2022 – Vehicle Services

Veteran license plates receiving new metal in July 2022

Below is a list of veteran plates that will be receiving new metal in July. Inventory will be sent based on sales and the number of customers that will be receiving new metal. The new metal cannot be issued until July 1, 2022. If you have old stock, it can be issued until June 30, 2022, after that it needs to be destroyed.

Class 3084 – Vietnam Veteran
Class 5508 – Vietnam Veteran Motorcycle
Class 3665 – Korean War Veteran
Class 5521 – Korean War Veteran Motorcycle
Class 3670 – Desert Storm Veteran
Class 5522 – Desert Storm Veteran Motorcycle
Class 3660 – Bosnia Veteran
Class 5520 – Bosnia Veteran Motorcycle
Class 3925 – Operation Iraqi Freedom
Class 5546 – Operation Iraqi Freedom Motorcycle
Class 3930 – Operation Enduring Freedom
Class 5547 – Operation Enduring Freedom Motorcycle
Class 3022 – Somalia Veteran
Class 3026 – Operation Inherent Resolve
Class 3931 – Operation New Dawn
Class 5571 – Operation New Dawn Motorcycle

Dealer Plates now renewable

Beginning May 2022 dealer plates will be renewed each May instead of new metal being issued.

Dealerships were notified of this change in May 2021.

Vehicle Services recently shared a training guide BIS prepared and a link to the Tennessee Motor Vehicle Commission Annual Sales Report for counties to reference for their list of dealers and how many plates they will be renewing. BIS will be discussing this topic as well.

State Registration Fee Wavier starting July 1, 2022

What is the fee waiver: The Tennessee General Assembly has waived state registration fees for Class A and Class B motor vehicles, for renewals occurring between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

Class A includes motorcycles and autocycles and Class B includes passenger motor vehicles and motor homes. The state portion of the fee that is waived under this law is \$16.75 for Class A and \$23.75 for Class B. Other fees that are earmarked for safety and system improvement purposes, as well as the additional electric vehicle registration fee and county fees, are not waived under the new law.

When does the waiver start: The waiver becomes effective July 1, 2022.

Who will receive the waiver: Tennessee registrants with a Class A registration- motorcycles and autocycles and Class B registrations- passenger motor vehicles and motor homes with renewal registrations expiring between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

How will the waiver work in the system: BIS will program the system with the correct state fee information. Fees will change for all the approved class codes in the system. Renewal notices and TN Clerk will be programmed with the proper fee.

Communication: The Department is working on an official notice and a press release. We hope this will be published soon.

New Metal Rollout Updates:

Tennessee is rolling into its 6th month of new metal distribution. We know everyone will be happy when January 2023 arrives!

Current numbers as of 5/16/22:

- Active registrations for new metal plates: 1,894,380
- Switched from 1000 to 1001: 523,311
- TRICOR- Manufactured new metal 2,908,828.

Inventory Cleanup

Internal Audit is actively reviewing all inventory. They are asking that all old stock be properly destroyed. BIS has been contacting counties. Vehicle Services will also start sending spreadsheets of old inventory.

Legislative Updates

Pub Ch.	Subject	Abstract	Effective Date
860	Financial Responsibility Law	As enacted, increases from \$15,000 to \$25,000 the minimum amount of insurance coverage for property damage in any one accident that is required for a split-limit motor vehicle insurance policy to qualify as proof of financial security under the financial responsibility law for policies issued or renewed after December 31, 2022.	Upon becoming law (April 14, 2022)
734	Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration	As enacted, increases, from 30 days to 60 days, the initial period a temporary plate issued by a dealer is valid for a motor vehicle; increases the fee for such plate from \$5.50 to \$6.50. Please note this pertains to drive out tags issued by dealerships, not T.O.P.'s issued by counties. - Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4.	Friday, July 1, 2022
761	Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration	As introduced, requires that the design of disabled license plates incorporate the color scheme, base design, and details used on the standard registration and license plate.	January 1, 2023
	Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration	As introduced, clarifies that the holder of an antique motor vehicle registration plate who operates an antique motor vehicle on a day other than the weekends or federal holidays in violation of present law and who forfeits the plate, is required to surrender the plate to the county clerk of the county of the person's residence within 30 days of the date of the violation. - Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 8, Part 1; Title 55 and Title 67.	July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023

1003	Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration	As introduced, increases, from \$5.50 to \$8.50, the fee paid to county clerks for receiving and forwarding to the motor vehicle division of the department of revenue each application for certificates of title; allocates \$3.00 of the fee to be used by the county for the provision of services directly related to titling and registration.	Friday, July 1, 2022
968	Special License Plates	As introduced, extends, from 30 to 45 days, the time frame in which a noncompliant applicant to whom a Tennessee Sheriff's Association registration plate has been issued must surrender the plate to the county clerk. - Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4.	Friday, July 1, 2022

Mini Truck Question

Mini trucks can receive a medium speed registration or a Class I registration.

“Medium Speed Vehicle” means any four wheeled electric or gasoline vehicle, excluding golf carts, whose top speed is greater than thirty miles per hour (30mph) but not greater than thirty-five miles per hour (35mph), including neighborhood electric vehicles and **Mini-Trucks**. Medium speed vehicles must meet or exceed the federal safety standards set forth in 49 CFR 571.500.

A county or municipality may prohibit the operation of low or medium speed vehicles on any road under its jurisdiction if the governing body of the county or municipality determines that the prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.

Mini Trucks are also permitted to receive a Class I license plate. As a reminder these registrations are limited to county roads.

More information at:

<https://tnclerks.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360000358886-Low-Medium-Speed-Vehicles>

<https://tnclerks.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360000374303-CLASS-I-CLASS-II-OFF-HIGHWAY-VEHICLE-OHV-PLATES>

TRICOR Shipping Update

New Metal

- Now have an equal amount of class 1000 and 1001 in counties.
- About 70,000 more shipped Monday.
- Working toward 1 to 2 shipments per month per location. Smaller counties may get 2-3 month supply.

Backlog on Specialty

- Caused by too much focus on 1000 and 1001 a few weeks ago.
- Virtually all backlogged motorcycle plates were shipped Saturday or Monday.
- There are 6 boxes of Class 5000 that will have a few missing plates (remakes) – more details to come.
- All 1000 and 8000 orders were picked Monday and shipped Tuesday.
- 3000 class orders will ship Wednesday and Thursday.