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Highlights in this newsletter include:

- DRIVES Rollout 2 – Cutover (DOL systems shutdown)
- Changes to the Driver License Number
- Frequently asked questions and answers
- Common errors on title applications
- Common dealer violations
- 2018 legislative summary of bills affecting vehicle manufacturers, towing, and wrecking businesses

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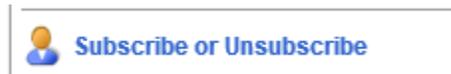
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Business and Technology Modernization DRIVES Update



What is DRIVES? – A multi-phase effort to modernize Department of Licensing business processes and information technology systems, including driver and vehicle systems.

Rollout 1 (R1) - Implemented in December 2016 and focused on services related to vehicles. This included License Express services for E-permits and abandoned vehicles.

Rollout 2 (R2) - Updates driver technology systems and will launch in September 2018.

Ongoing improvement - The DRIVES vendor continually provides updates to improve usability. This may consist of visual changes and screens that are new or provide different functionality. The most recent update was provided on April 9, 2018.

Questions? Need help?

- General DRIVES questions: DRIVESHelp@dol.wa.gov.
- DRIVES Support Help Center: **360.664.9698** or DRIVESHelp@dol.wa.gov.
- DRIVES Training Team: DRIVESTraining@dol.wa.gov.

DRIVES Rollout 2 - Cutover

On September 4, 2018 we will release DRIVES Rollout 2. As you may have experienced during Rollout 1, we need to shut down a majority of DOL systems to accommodate the release.



ALL DOL systems will shut down the evening of Thursday, August 30th, and reopen on Tuesday, September 4th. This means you cannot process transactions online or in our offices on Friday, Saturday and Monday of Labor Day weekend.

We understand your need to plan around the cutover time, and the effect it can have on your business. A shutdown is inconvenient, but necessary to ensure we can properly transfer data and test the new system before we release it. As our business partner, we want to share details we know will help you with your planning.

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DRIVES Rollout 2 - Cutover (cont.)

If you are a vehicle or vessel dealer, you will not be able to access the E-permit services during cutover. You will still have the option to issue paper permits. We urge you to prepare by making sure you have enough paper permits for the weekend by purchasing additional permits from Vehicle Licensing Offices prior to cutover.

If you have title transfer requirements that need completion during the DOL system shutdown timeframe, plan to process these transactions before cutover.

As we move closer to the release of DRIVES R2 you can expect regular communications. DOL will also conduct broad outreach through print and broadcast media to inform the general public about times we will not be able to process our work together. This should complement your own efforts to lower the impact on you and your customers. While we understand this is a temporary inconvenience to you and us, we also know our new integrated system will be a bonus to your customers, the state's drivers and vehicle owners.

Driver License Numbering Changes



On September 4, 2018 there will be a new Driver License Number (DLN) format for Washington Driver Licenses and Identification Cards.

Currently the DLN uses data from the driver's name and date of birth to create a 12 character identification number.

Beginning September 4, 2018 newly issued Driver License Numbers and Identification Cards will have a new number scheme that will begin with **WDL**. The remaining characters will be randomly generated and will not relate to an individual's name or birthdate. The new DLN is more secure and will protect personal information.

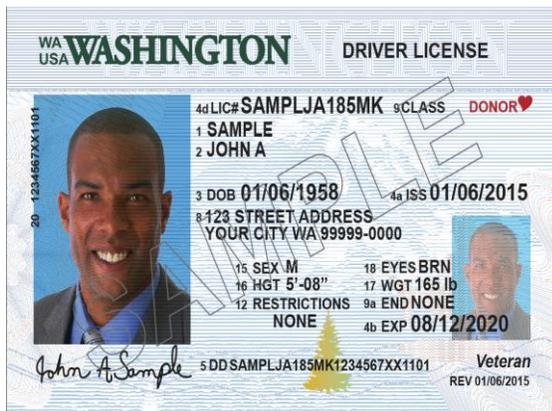
Key Details

August 28	Start of Cutover Some DOL web services will start to go off-line. A full listing of the online services affected will be available later this summer
August 30	Cutover All DOL systems that support vehicle and drivers will shutdown after offices complete end of day reconciliation
August 31	Cutover All DOL systems that support vehicle and drivers will be offline and all DOL Licensing Services Offices and Vehicle Licensing Offices will be closed
September 1	Cutover All DOL systems that support vehicle and drivers will be offline and all DOL Licensing Services Offices and Vehicle Licensing Offices will be closed
September 2	Cutover All DOL systems that support vehicle and drivers will be offline and all DOL Licensing Services Offices and Vehicle Licensing Offices will be closed
September 3	Cutover All DOL systems that support vehicle and drivers will be offline and all DOL Licensing Services Offices and Vehicle Licensing Offices will be closed
September 4	New system released Driver and Vehicle Services are expected to resume at normal opening times

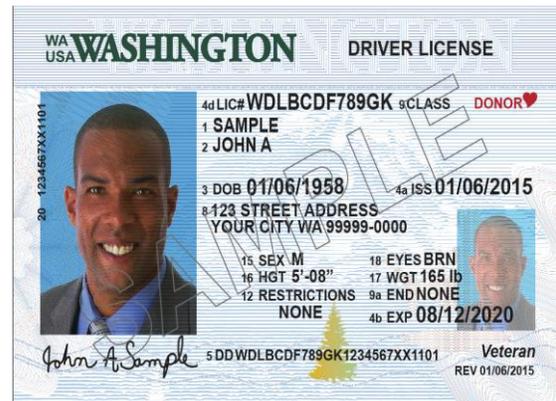
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Driver License Numbering Changes (cont.)

The new DLN number will continue to have 12 characters (alphabetical and numerical) and will resemble characteristics of the current driver licenses. For example, current driver license numbers start with seven alphabetical characters, the new driver license numbers will also start with seven alphabetical characters and the same holds true for numbers – any digits in the current driver license number will still be digits in the new driver license number. However, certain letters and characters are excluded, including: Special characters that are not standard letters or numbers (for example, *, etc.); Vowels (A, E, I, O and U); and the letters Q and V.



Current Driver License Number Format



New Driver License Number Format

It will take six years to convert existing driver license numbers into the new format. Conversion will happen gradually as DOL issues first-time licenses and issues renewals and replacements. This means both versions will be in circulation until 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact: DRIVESR2Questions@dol.wa.gov.

Renew Online – A Talking Driver License

To promote our online renewal services, DOL has released another fun video highlighting online options so our customers can skip the line at an LSO. It's just one of our efforts to help reduce driver license office wait times. Our data shows that about 13,000 people go into our offices each month who could have used our online services to renew their driver licenses, change their addresses, etc.



Take a minute to watch [Renew Online – A Talking Driver License](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...) (youtube.com) and share the information with your family and friends!

Request for Feedback

We are seeking feedback on 2016 session law [SB 6326](#) concerning the retention and maintenance of auto dealers and repair facility records.

This law permits dealers to retain vehicle sales and lease records in electronic format after they have been kept in paper format for at least one year. Later this year the Department of Licensing will provide a report to the legislature.



We request that you complete this survey:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4269950/Dealer-electronic-recordkeeping-preferences>

The survey will be available from May 23rd through June 13th. Thank you for your participation.



Dealer News and Updates

Forms

We have recently noticed that some businesses are

using old versions of DOL Forms. Please make sure you are using the most current version to avoid delays or rejection of your form. We recommend saving a link to Forms and not saving documents to your desktop. It is important to discard outdated forms.

Link to Forms

[Vehicle and vessel dealers](#)

[Vehicle manufacturers](#)

[Vehicle transport and disposal](#)

Alternative fuel vehicle sales tax exemption ENDS May 31, 2018

On July 15, 2015, the Department of Revenue (DOR) began allowing tax exemptions for vehicles powered by clean, alternative fuels. RCWs [82.08.809](#) and [82.12.809](#) authorize this exemption and limits the number of vehicles allowed to claim the exemption. As of April 2018, the total number of exemptions reached the 7,500-vehicle limit.

The Department of Revenue has notified the Washington State Auto Dealers Association that the alternative fuel vehicle sales tax exemption will end on May 31, 2018.

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Dealer News and Updates

Alternative fuel vehicle sales tax exemption ENDS May 31, 2018 *(cont.)*

To receive this tax exemption, a vehicle must be delivered on or before May 31, 2018.

Please note that vehicles preordered but not fully purchased and delivered by May 31, 2018, cannot claim the tax exemption.

The list of qualifying vehicles is available at <http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration/altfuel exemptions.html>.

The exemption:

- Only applies to new vehicles.
- Only applies to the first \$32,000 of the selling price or total lease payments if the customer leased the vehicle prior to the exemption's expiration.
- Expires on the last day of the calendar month after the Department of Licensing determines that 7,500 vehicles have qualified for the exemption.

To qualify, a vehicle must:

1. Have a base model MSRP under \$42,500 and be on the list linked above; and
2. Be a passenger car, light duty truck or medium duty passenger vehicles that:
 - Is exclusively powered by a clean alternative fuel; OR
 - Uses at least one method of propulsion that is capable of being re-energized by an external source of electricity and is capable of traveling at least thirty miles using only battery power.

If a vehicle is received vehicle after May 31, 2018, all applicable sales taxes will be required to be paid. If you have questions about the exemption, please contact DOR at 1-800-647-7706.

Department of Revenue – Business Licensing Service (BLS) Partner Post

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Dealer News and Updates

Dealers must attach a Certificate of Fact to all altered title applications as of April 1, 2018

Background –Alterations made to dealer title applications are increasing the number of title applications rejected by the Department of Licensing (DOL) in Olympia.

We are clarifying what is acceptable and what is required in the event of an alteration.

Alterations –DOL considers a typed dealer title application altered when it contains handwritten or stamped (non-signature) vital or important information.

Here are three examples:

- Crossing out a lienholder and adding a different lienholder.
- Handwriting or stamping a lienholder on a typed and printed application.
- Handwriting a Lessee or Lessor on a typed and printed application.

The following is critical for you to know because it can affect your customer.

If alterations are made to a title application, the dealer must complete a Certificate of Fact (COF) that includes the vehicle or vessel information, an explanation of the alteration, and a signature. If a complete COF is not included with the title application, DOL will not release the title.

Start Date –Dealers must attach a COF to all altered title applications by April 1, 2018. Vehicle licensing offices will not process these transactions without a COF and DOL will reject title applications from dealers that do not meet this requirement.

Electronic Lender Institution Name Change

Wells Fargo Dealer Services (CA) changed their name to Wells Fargo Auto (CA). Titles issued after 5/15/2018 will reflect Wells Fargo Auto (CA). Titles issued prior to 5/15/2018 will reflect Wells Fargo Dealer Services (CA).

All new title applications must include Wells Fargo Auto (CA) as the legal owner. If a paper Affidavit in Lieu of Title (ALOT) has Wells Fargo Auto (CA) when the electronic title has Wells Fargo Dealer Services (CA) as the legal owner, a one in the same statement from Wells Fargo will be required.

Common Violations Identified by Dealer Investigators

Possession of Title

Prior to offering a vehicle for sale, a licensee must have possession of title. This may be demonstrated in different ways:

- Having actual possession of the complete title work.
- Having documentation that the licensee's flooring company has possession of complete title work.
- Having documentation that a traded in vehicle with a lien was paid off within two business days of acquisition and that the resale occurred after the acquisition.

[RCW 46.70.124](#), [WAC 308-66-195\(1\)](#), and [WAC 308-56A-460\(7\)](#)



Common Violations Identified by Dealer Investigators

45 Day Temporary Permits

A 45 day paper temporary permit must only be issued if there is a Department of Licensing system outage or a licensee is conducting a licensed temporary off-site sale without access to the E-permit system. If these circumstances occur and a 45 day paper temporary permit is issued to a customer, the licensee must also log the 45 day paper temporary permit into the E-Permit system within 24 hours of issuance. If there is not a Department of Licensing system outage and a licensee is not conducting a licensed temporary off-site sale without access to the E-permit system then an E-Permit must be issued.

Instructions for accessing E-permits can be found in our E-Services User Guide located here: <http://www.dol.wa.gov/about/docs/drives/E-services-user-guide.pdf>. Or, you can access our website at www.dol.wa.gov and search E-services. The guide will assist you in setting up an account, purchasing E-permits, adding a new E-permit or paper permit, and re-printing or correcting an E-permit. There are additional user guides available on our website.

If you have additional questions or need help our customer support is available Monday through Friday, 8:00AM to 5:00PM. Customer support can be reached at (360) 664-9698 or driveshelp@dol.wa.gov.

[RCW 46.70.180\(8\)](#); [RCW 46.16A.300](#); [WAC 308-56A-420](#) and [WAC 308-56A-425](#)

Common Errors Found on Title Applications

Below is a list of common errors that dealers make on Title applications. To ensure processing of your application is not delayed, watch out for these errors. If you have questions or need clarification, contact your local Vehicle Licensing office.



- Missing Certificate of Fact explaining alterations
- Colored markers used
- Legal owner missing on application
- Dealer Report of Sale not completed on application
- Driver's License/ Unified Business Identification (UBI) number missing on application
- Missing dealer to dealer documentation

- Power of Attorney not signed correctly
- Date of transfer missing on odometer disclosure
- Missing printed name and address on odometer statements
- Odometer code box not checked
- Missing date and place signed on title application
- Wrong scale weight on title application

Frequently Asked Questions



E-permit

1. How do I reprint an E-permit?

Instructions are provided in the [E-services User Guide](#). General information about E-permits is found on dol.wa.gov.

For additional support contact: **DRIVES Help** at **360.664.9698** or DRIVEShelp@dol.wa.gov.

2. Will there be a User Manual for E-permitting available for operators?

Yes, user guides are available on dol.wa.gov.

3. The User Guide is not up to date. E-service User Guides are currently under revision and will be updated in the near future. In the meantime if you have questions or need assistance contact **DRIVES Help** at **360.664.9698** or DRIVEShelp@dol.wa.gov.

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

E-permit

4. **What do I do if I am locked out of my License Express E-service account or have an error on the screen?**

Contact the **DRIVES Help** at **360.664.9698** or DRIVEShelp@dol.wa.gov

5. **How do I set up a License Express E-services E-permit account?**

Instructions and user guide are provided on dol.wa.gov.

For additional support contact: DRIVES Help at **360.664.9698** or

DRIVEShelp@dol.wa.gov.

6. **An E-permit cannot be issued on an exempt vehicle sold to city, county or state government. How do they operate this vehicle?**

Generally, documents are given to the purchasing city, county, or state government and then they are responsible to have the transfer processed and obtain plates and registration.

7. **When the JTWROS is chosen does it spell it out on the e-permit?**

No. The Title Application reflects the designation.

8. **LSE, LSR does not print on application. Can this be programmed in e-permitting? If the dealer has to hand print on application is a Certificate of Fact required?**

A request has been submitted to update system to print LSE and LSR on application. If the dealer needs to handwrite LSE/LSR on the application, a Certificate of Fact would be required to explain the alteration on the application.

9. **If a vehicle with a VIN shorter than 17 digits is sold by dealer it appears they cannot issue an e permit. What do they issue the customer to allow them to operate the vehicle? Example is a collector vehicle. Paper permits are also required to be entered into the e-permit system.**

A VIN that has less than 17 digits can be entered in the E-permit system. After entry of the VIN into the E-permit system select then answer "Yes" (continue with this VIN) question.

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

E-permit

10. What can be done so the whole name will print on application when the registered owner's name exceeds the character limitation?

There are currently 37 available spaces in the name field. If the name is longer than the field contact your local Vehicle Licensing office for assistance.

11. Dealer representative stating when entering the customer's address they do not have an address not found button? They are finding in Lewis County the customers address is not coming up and if they choose the wrong address it may affect fees. Is there another site they should be using?

Override button not available, have dealer work with their local Vehicle Licensing office and provide examples of addresses.

Department of Revenue Online Services

12. I need Department of Revenue account assistance with: Log-in, navigating to submit renewal / new application and printing a license.

My DOR Help is provided on <https://dor.wa.gov/about/my-dor-help> or you can Email BLS@dor.wa.gov (please include your Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number to help expedite service). DOR cannot accept payments over the phone. Or call 1-800-451-7985.

13. Where/How do I get a reseller permit?

Instructions are provided on My DOR Help <https://dor.wa.gov/about/my-dor-help/reseller-permit>.

Department of Licensing Online Services

14. I am a Registered Tow Truck Operator how do I file my Vehicle reporting requirements?

Instructions to file online are provided in the [E-services User Guide](#) additional information to include how to report by mail is located on dol.wa.gov.

15. It appears DRIVES now requires the previous state and title number to be entered into the system.

Yes, this is now required.

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

Department of Licensing Online Services

- 16. Regarding Cab and Chassis records for completed vehicles. Can dealers be provided with a list of drop down options available in DRIVES?**

A request has been submitted to add the drop down options.

- 17. In the previously known IVIPS system – now Contracted Plates Search (CPS) are dealers still required to keep a log to track records they inquire and why?**

For specific questions regarding CPS contact the vehicle records disclosure unit at cps@dol.wa.gov.

- 18. In the CPS system it appears there is information that does not match DRIVES. An example is showing suffix Jr, Sr. or middle initial. The fields also appear to be shortened.**

A request has been submitted to fix this.

ODOMETER – The following section provides detailed information on odometer and title application. Please contact your local Vehicle Licensing office with any questions.

- 19. How do I get an Odometer Statement?**

The Odometer Disclosure Statement form is printed on tamperproof paper, it's not available online. Dealer can obtain forms from:

- Washington State Independent Dealers Association at 253.735.0267.
- Washington State Dealers Association at 800.998.9723.

- 20. For dealer to dealer reassignment odometer purposes on the back of Manufacturer Statement of Origins (MSO). Is this a requirement?**

No, new motor vehicles sold before their first retail sale, such as dealer to dealer sales are exempt from odometer disclosure requirements. RCW 46.12.665(4)(e).

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

ODOMETER

21. Will DOL accept a Certificate of Fact on odometer cross outs or will a new secured odometer form be required?

A new secured odometer form would be required - WAC 308-56A-640(2).

22. How do I complete an Odometer Statement?

An odometer statement is required on all original, transfer, and lease buy out applications, for vehicles less than 10 years old. Enter the mileage from the odometer disclosure statement followed by the appropriate code.

Odometer Code	What it means	When it's used
A	Actual mileage	Used when the mileage of the vehicle and the odometer reading are the same
N	Not actual mileage	Used when the mileage is different than the odometer (the odometer does not indicate the actual mileage of the vehicle). This code cannot be changed by any transaction (or until the vehicle is no longer subject to odometer disclosure, when the odometer code appears as "E").
X	Exceeds mechanical limits	Used when the actual mileage of the vehicle exceeds the limits of the odometer (the odometer has "rolled over"). This code cannot be changed by any transaction (or until the vehicle is no longer subject to odometer disclosure, when the odometer code appears as "E").
E	Exempt odometer requirements	Used for vehicles 10 or more years old, and non-powered vehicles.
P	Prorated vehicle	Used when the vehicle will be prorated (licensed under IRP).
G	Gross weight	Used for vehicles with a declared gross weight over 16,000 pounds (18,000 pounds or more).

A seller (transferor) cannot authorize or give power of attorney to the selling dealer or buyer (transferee) for the purpose of odometer disclosure. Likewise a buyer cannot authorize or give power of attorney to the selling dealer or seller for the purpose of odometer disclosure. (Continue on next page)

Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

VEHICLE PAPERWORK

- 23. College Student is attending full time college, what documents are required to purchase a vehicle and get title, license plates and registration? RE: Exemption from WA expired Driver License.**

Per WAC 308-99-040(1) Nonresident students: The student must be in full-time attendance at a college or university in Washington accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges or at a private vocational school as that term is defined by RCW 28C.10.020(7) and maintain their legal home of record at a location outside the state of Washington. Vehicles must be registered in the student's or in the name of their parent or legal guardian in the resident state of record. The student must carry documentation issued by the college, university or vocational school that readily establishes the nonresident status. Employment incidental to the full-time student status is permitted. The spouse of a nonresident student has the same licensing privilege as long as the vehicle is registered to the student or jointly to the student and spouse, regardless of the spouse's legal residence or employment.

- 24. Affidavit in lieu of issued by DOL- will the logo be added for security reasons?**

The Affidavit in Lieu issued by DOL has been updated to include the WA State logo as a watermark in the middle of the form as well as the DOL logo at the top of the form.

- 25. If a recreational vehicle has been sold and they purchase coating is the dealer required to add this to the sale price?**

Yes.

- 26. Transitional ownership document (TOD) question - How long does the dealer have to submit 10 or 30 days? 10 days - RCW 46.12.660(6)(a).**

- 27. Vehicle coming in on trade to a Washington dealer, they have a California title with a lien holder that has been released, but the registered owners are not. Can the WA dealer certify the signed release of interest?**

Yes, as long as the registered owner is present to sign the release of interest we will accept it to be certified.

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

VEHICLE PAPERWORK

28. When a dealer transaction is rejected does a reject letter get mailed to the customer, dealer or the legal owner if there is one listed? What is DOL's process?

The reject letter will be mailed to the selling dealer and registered owners.

29. Can TOD's be included in a dealer batch or is the dealer required to issue a separate check?

Dealers are required to issue a separate check to pay for TODs.

30. What documents need to be included with the title transactions for Disabled plates (DP) and Disabled Veteran (DV) plates?

Contact your local vehicle licensing office to verify if there is a current DP/DV record.

31. Why was the mileage box removed from the application?

The odometer reading field was removed from the application to ensure Vehicle Licensing Representative use information provided on the Secure Odometer Statement. This is a Federal requirement.

32. Can there be a line added in the notary box for the byline if there are more than one registered owner?

This request is currently being reviewed at this time.

33. What is "JTWROS"?

JTWROS means if two or more people own a vehicle in joint tenancy with rights of survivorship, and one of the owners dies, ownership goes to the surviving owner(s). The department will issue a certificate of ownership in the name of the surviving owner(s) upon application supported by a copy of the death certificate.

If the application for certificate of ownership has a check box with the abbreviation, JTWROS next to it, Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorships must be spelled out on a separate line between the last registered owners name and the first address line. This must be done even if the box with the abbreviation of JTWROS next to it is checked.

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Frequently Asked Questions (*cont.*)

VEHICLE PAPERWORK

34. For vehicles that are sold thru auction, who signs the paperwork?

The paperwork would be completed by the selling dealer to the purchasing dealer unless either appoint the auction as POA. The dealer would need to contact their local vehicle licensing office and fax in copies of paperwork to be reviewed.

BRANDS

35. Which brands on titles will not be allowed on Washington titles?

Crushed, Junk or Parts only are the ones we currently do not title in WA. Dealers need to contact their local vehicle licensing office and fax in copies of paperwork to be reviewed if there are questions on other brands.

36. Brands that could invalidate a Kentucky title. Is it valid/transferrable?

Contact your local licensing office for any Brand questions.

FEES

37. What are the Passenger Vehicle Fees?

Type	Fee Amount
Title Filing	\$4.00
Title W/License Filing	\$7.00
License fee	\$30.00
Standard Plate	\$20.00 plus \$4.00 reflective
Application fee	\$15.00
Trauma fee	\$6.50 (\$4.00 Dealer)
(Lemon Law) Arbitration	\$3.00
License Service Fee	\$0.75 (\$0.50 DOL Service, \$0.25 Plate Technology)
Vehicle Weight Fee	\$25.00 –up to 4,000 lbs. scale weight \$45.00 –4,001 to 6,000 lbs. scale weight \$65.00 –6,001 to 8,000 lbs. scale weight
Title Service Fee	\$12.00

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Frequently Asked Questions (cont.)

FEES

38. What is RTA tax?

Regional Transit Authority (RTA) tax is 1.1% based off value determined by legislation. Calculation uses MSRP, not fair market value, in urban areas of King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties.

39. What are the Truck Vehicle Fees?

Type	Fee Amount
Title Filing	\$4.00
Title W/License Filing	\$7.00
Standard Plate Application fee	\$20.00 plus \$4.00 reflective
Trauma fee (Lemon Law)	\$15.00
Arbitration	\$6.50 (\$4.00 Dealer)
Gross Weight Fee	\$3.00 (Trucks with GVW of 18,000 lbs. or less)
Title Service Fee	Varies according to scale weight and vehicle load
	\$12.00

40. How is RTA tax calculated?

The following formula shows how the fee is calculated:

Current year - year of vehicle + 1 = years of service (value decreases each year in service)

Original MSRP x depreciated percentage = Depreciated value (based on years in service)

Depreciated value x 1.1% (current RTA rate) = RTA amount due

41. Can RTA tax be transferred?

Previous owner's unused portion of RTA can be credited upon transfer if the new owner lives in the current RTA zone.

42. What is TBD fee?

Transportation Benefit District (TBD) is city or county determined fee based on location per RCW 36.73.020. Up to \$20.00 without voter approval and \$21.00-\$100.00 with voter approval. List of TBD cities, counties, and vehicles subject to fees located on WA DOL website.

<http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration/localfees.html>

Federally recognized tribal members are exempt from TBD fee

<http://www.goia.wa.gov/Tribal-Directory/TribalDirectory.pdf>

Legislation

[EHB 1742 Vehicle transporter license](#)

- Allows auto repair shops to apply as vehicle transporters so they can use transporter plates on vehicles with expired tabs.
- Effective date: June 7, 2018.

[SHB 2612 Tow truck operators](#)

- Allows registered tow truck operators (RTTO) to consolidate the various license plates required for certain business practices with the placement of indicator tabs on their vehicle plate.
- Effective date: June 1, 2019.

[SHB 2970 Autonomous vehicle work group](#)

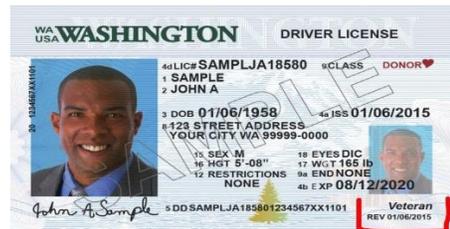
- Establishes an autonomous vehicle work group; DOL to participate.
- Effective date: June 7, 2018.

[SSB 6137 Vehicle manufacturers & dealers](#)

- Clarifies the relationship between manufacturers and new motor vehicle dealers by providing tools to resolve disparities, including expanding compensation for recalled vehicles.
- Effective June 7, 2018

[SSB 6012 Driver license veteran designation](#)

- Broadens the types of discharge documents DOL can accept to provide a veteran designation on a driver's license or identification card.



- Effective date: June 7, 2018.

[SB 6434 Electric-assisted bicycles](#)

- Updates the definition of a bicycle to include electric-assisted bicycles.
- May be of interest to Motorcycle or ORV dealers. Electric-assisted bicycles are not issued plates and do not require a driver license to operate
- Effective date: June 7, 2018.

[SB 6437 Abandoned RV disposal](#)

- New program to reimburse costs incurred by RTTOs and licensed auto dismantlers associated with RVs abandoned on public property.
- Funded with new \$6 fee on RVs registrations.
- Effective date: May 1, 2019.

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