

What Does HB 718 Require?

- ★ Licensed dealers should coordinate with county tax assessor-collector's offices for system access to webDEALER before the **April 30, 2025 deadline**.
- ★ New license plates have been created to replace paper tags. TxDMV will distribute the plates to dealers beginning May 2025. **Dealers should be enrolled in webDEALER by April 30, 2025 to receive plates.**
- ★ General Issue license plates will remain with the vehicle when bought, sold, or transferred.
- ★ Dealers must submit a Vehicle Transfer Notification (VTN) on behalf of retail customers within 30 days of the sale or transfer.
- ★ HB 718 eliminates the 30-day and one-trip paper permits issued by county tax offices and TxDMV Regional Service Centers (RSCs).



webDEALER Training



The department offers online webDEALER training, including training available on-demand 24/7 in both English and Spanish:



ENGLISH



ESPAÑOL

See the TxDMV events calendar for additional training opportunities:
www.TxDMV.gov/calendar

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Learn More About HB 718

Scan the code below to visit www.TxDMV.gov/hb718 for the latest information on House Bill 718 implementation:



Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

DEALER REFERENCE

MARCH 2025

- ★ House Bill 718 Requirements
 - ★ webDEALER Resources
 - ★ Metal License Plates

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

House Bill 718 (HB 718) eliminates **ALL** dealer temporary paper tags and permits

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Dealers will issue metal plates to Texas buyers at the time of sale

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ALL title transactions must be processed electronically through webDEALER

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License plates will be managed using a new Inventory Management System

Dealer Metal Plates

TRANSPORTATION CODE § 503.068

Dealer metal plates are **not** the **blue** dealer temporary plates.

Dealer Metal Plates **CAN**:

- Be used on vehicles the dealer is licensed to sell, and for which the dealer possesses properly assigned ownership documents.
- Be issued for vehicles with a current inspection, if applicable (emissions county).
- Only be used with an expiration sticker, and only one plate is issued for display in the vehicle's rear.

Dealer Metal Plates **CANNOT**:

- Be displayed on a commercial vehicle carrying a load.



Metal Plate Fee Schedule

Buyer Provisional (Purple)	No Fee
Out-Of-State Buyer (Green)	No Fee
General Issue Metal Plate	No Fee
Dealer Temporary (Blue)	\$10
Dealer Metal (2-year term)	\$90

New License Plates



Buyer Provisional (Purple)

- May be issued by a dealer if the dealer does not have the applicable license plate available for the type of vehicle the buyer is purchasing.
- Short term use license plate is valid until a permanent plate is assigned.
- Not used for export sales.



Out-of-State Buyer (Green)

- Replaces buyer temporary tag.
- For a sale involving a vehicle to be transferred out-of-state.
- License plate expires 60 days after issuance.
- Not used for export sales.



Dealer Temporary (Blue)

- Replaces Dealer Agent and Vehicle Specific temporary tag.
- Expiration sticker required and is valid until the dealer's next license renewal.
- Issued by TxDMV to dealer for demos, loaners, transport to/from auction or service and not for personal use.

General Issue Metal Plates

As of **July 1, 2025**, dealers will have an inventory of metal license plates to issue vehicles at the time of sale.

General Issue Plates **Must**:

- Be issued by the dealer to the retail purchaser at time of sale.
- Be issued a purchase receipt to be kept in the vehicle until registered.
- Be displayed and properly secured in the front and rear plate holder, if applicable.
- Must be placed on a vehicle that has a current emissions inspection, if applicable.



License Plate Storage

Dealers are required to store plates in a secure location:

- A locked and secured room, closet, safe, or steel cabinet bolted or affixed to the floor or wall.
- Storage space must be large enough to hold all license plates, including new stock and those from purchased vehicles.
- Dealers must monitor access to the secure plate inventory. Violations will be assessed for plate misuse.