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# Registration and Title Bulletin # 001-16 Policy and Procedure

**TO:** All County Tax Assessor-Collectors, Motor Vehicle Dealers, and Lienholders

**SUBJECT:** New Application for Texas Title and/or Registration (Form 130-U)

## **PURPOSE**

To advise you of the revised *Application for Texas Title and/or Registration* (Form 130-U) and discontinuation of the *Application for Title Only* (Form VTR-131) and *Application for Registration Purposes Only* (Form VTR-272).

#### **DETAILS**

On August 3, 2016, we sent you a notification advising you the Vehicle Titles and Registration Division has undertaken an initiative to review, revise, and consolidate title related forms. We are excited to provide you with the first of these forms, the renamed *Application for Texas Title and/or Registration* (Form 130-U). The revised form simplifies the application process for applicants and counties, and eliminates the Form VTR-131 and VTR-272.

Previously, an applicant for Title Only or Registration Purposes Only (RPO) was required to submit Forms VTR-131 or VTR-272, as applicable, to certify their eligibility for the applicable transaction. This often proved confusing to customers who were required to submit an *Application for Texas Title* despite only applying for registration. Other times, applicants who were applying for title and registration would provide Forms 130-U and VTR-272 believing one was needed to title the vehicle, and the other was needed to register the vehicle.

The revised Form 130-U allows an applicant to indicate whether they are applying for title, registration, or both by making the applicable selection(s) in the first field on the form. Applicants will select "Title & Registration," "Title Only," "Registration Purposes Only," or "Nontitle Registration" as applicable. The existing eligibility requirements for Title Only and RPO have been consolidated into the "Additional Details" area on page 2, and the "Certification" on page 1 has been revised, so the applicant can make the necessary certification of their eligibility regardless of the transaction type. Eligibility (and documentation, if applicable) requirements have not changed for Title Only or RPO transactions.

The previous version of Form 130-U remains acceptable as well as Forms VTR-131 and VTR-272. However, we have discontinued making Forms VTR-131 and VTR-272 available for use and encourage use of the revised Form 130-U. The words "Title Only" or "RPO" may be written in the margin of the previous version of Form 130-U if the Forms VTR-131 or VTR-272 do not accompany the transaction.

In addition to the aforementioned changes, other changes include the addition of fields for email, registration renewal eReminder, and applicant phone number. Minor changes were made to aid in the grouping of related information, making the form easier for applicants to complete while

maintaining consistency with the flow of data entry into the Registration and Title System as much as possible.

Additionally, *Detailed Instructions for Application for Texas Title and/or Registration* (Form VTR-130-UIF) has been updated to reflect the changes to Form 130-U.

## **COUNTY ACTION**

Please review the attached Forms 130-U and VTR-130-UIF.

Please ensure applicants have made the appropriate selection when using the new Form 130-U. Applications that do not have a selection made or where the selection does not correspond to the transaction type processed will be rejected by the department.

Please ensure applications using the previous Form 130-U include the Form VTR-131 or VTR-272, as applicable, or "Title Only" or "RPO" is written in the margin of Form 130-U.

Please continue to ensure applicants are eligible for Title Only or RPO transactions and submit the appropriate supporting documents, as applicable. As a reminder, there have been no changes to eligibility requirements for either Title Only or RPO transactions. These requirements are documented on page 2 of Form 130-U under the "Additional Details" section.

### **CONTACT**

If you have any questions, please contact your local TxDMV Regional Service Center.

Sincerely,

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Attachments