Registration and Title System

Refactored Point of Sale System
Release Notes for County Offices

Release 8.10.0

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About Release Notes

These Release Notes contain information about new features, enhancements, and reported issues resolved in this release of the Registration and Title System Point of Sale (RTS POS).

For more information about the RTS POS, refer to the Online Help and to the original Release Notes on the RTS Refactoring Resources page of the TAC Hub (www.txdmv.gov/tax-assessor-collectors).

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1 RTS POS Overview

The refactored RTS POS is a web-based application designed to process vehicle registrations, titles, and temporary permits for Texas motorists through a series of web pages. The RTS POS system provides functions for cash accounting, funds allocations, and a full audit trail along with inventory control for license plates, windshield/plate stickers, and temporary permits.

The RTS POS application displays when you log into the RTS workstation.

To display reference information about using the RTS POS, you can click in the upper right corner of the web browser to minimize the application and click the RTS Refactoring Help icon on your desktop.

The RTS Refactoring Resources page (on the TAC Hub) will display FAQ documents composed of questions submitted by the county tax offices, as well as materials presented during RTS POS webinars (including the training guides, slide decks for presentations, and other recorded webinar sessions). The original Release Notes are also available on this page.

Click the Job Aids tab to locate important quick references to help you log in and work with the RTS POS.

When logged into the RTS POS, you can get specific application level help by clicking the Help button on the page you are viewing or the entire user assistance web site by selecting Help > User Guide on the main page action bar.

Note: It is important to visit this Resources page frequently for updates and new materials.
2 Legislative Changes Mandated in RTS POS

Following are the changes in RTS 8.10 mandated by the 85th Legislative Session effective September 1, 2017:

2.1 Trailers, Semitrailers, Pole Trailers 7,500 lbs. or Less

Trailers, semitrailers, and pole trailers 7,500 lbs. or less are exempt from inspection requirements. Beginning with the December registration renewals, these trailers will display a message that the vehicle is not required to pass an annual inspection.

2.2 Trailers, Semitrailers, Pole Trailers 4,501 to 7,500 lbs.

Trailers, semitrailers, and pole trailers 4501 to 7,500 lbs. will pay a $7.50 Mobility/Clean Air fee in lieu of an inspection fee.

2.3 Travel Trailers

Travel Trailer length and width has been increased from 40 feet in length and 8 feet in width to 45 feet in length and 8 feet 6 inches in width. An error message will be presented if the dimensions entered are greater than both.

2.4 Commercial Vehicles

Recent legislation requires commercial vehicles that are located out of state which have not completed the required Texas inspection to pay the State’s portion of the commercial inspection fee at the time of initial registration and renewal. A commercial vehicle is any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight greater than 26,000 lbs. RTS will charge the commercial inspection fee when registration is issued or renewed for a commercial vehicle and an inspection cannot be electronically verified in the state inspection database or manually verified with a Vehicle Inspection Report.
2.5 IVTRS Renewal Receipts

IVTRS renewal receipts will include a message for law enforcement that the receipt serves as proof of registration for 31 days from time of renewal.

2.6 Specialty License Plates

45 specialty license plates will be available as of September 1, 2017. Images of these plates will be available at http://www.txdmv.gov/motorists/license-plates/specialty-license-plates as of September 1, 2017.

- Star of Texas plate
- In God We Trust plate (introduced in the 84th Legislative Session)
- 42 new military and disabled veteran plates
- A 100 Year Anniversary plate will also be introduced to celebrate 100 years of license plates in Texas.
3 Non-Legislative Changes

Following are the improvements to RTS POS 8.10 requested by users and TxDMV administrators that will be enabled on Monday, August 21, 2017:

3.1 Annual Plates

Some annual plates will no longer be stocked by the counties or be manufactured with the month and year of expiration on the license plate. Registration for annual license plates will be staggered based on the date of initial application or renewal. Registrants will be issued a windshield or plate sticker based on the type of vehicle. Go Texan 2 Combination plates will be issued from virtual inventory and a specialty plate insignia will be generated and will no longer be manufactured and stocked in the counties.

The following are the annual license plates the counties process:

- Go Texan 2 Combination
- Fertilizer
- Soil Conservation
- Disaster Relief

Note: The annual plate changes will be effective January 1, 2018.

3.2 NMVTIS Changes

When NMVTIS indicates a brand 10 (RECONSTRUCTED-VEHICLE PERMANENTLY ALTERED) from Alaska, North Carolina, Louisiana, or West Virginia, RTS will automatically equate this to a brand 09 (REBUILT-PRIOR SALVAGE), so that it can be correctly captured on the Texas record.

Counties receiving titles from these states with “RECONSTRUCTED” brands must apply the “REBUILT SALVAGE” brand in RTS in order to avoid an NMVTIS Error. “RECONSTRUCTED” should not be applied to the Texas record when the title reflects that brand from one of these states.
3.3 JUNKED Remark Removed

“JUNKED” will no longer display on motor vehicle records in the remarks section. Previously, upon issuance of salvage and nonrepairable titles and certificates of authority (COA) to demolish, the RTS record would indicate “JUNKED” in the remarks section. The absence of this remark does not change the procedures for handling a transaction. RTS will continue to reflect the issuance of a salvage or nonrepairable title or COA.

3.4 Charge Special Plate Fee Default

When processing a $3 military plate (Purple Heart, DV, and Pearl Harbor), the Charge Special Plate Fee checkbox defaults as checked including when cancelling back to make a correction.

3.5 Workstation 99 Closes Nightly

Workstation 99 will close nightly for all counties even when there are no IVTRS Centralized Fulfillment transactions. Recommend printing the Workstation 99 closeout reports on a daily basis.
4 IVTRS Changes

Following are the features implemented in IVTRS with RTS 8.10:

4.1 Centralized Fulfillment Renewals

Registration renewals processed through IVTRS Centralized Fulfillment will display the vehicle address.

4.2 Predefined Reasons for Declining a Centralized Fulfillment Renewal

County users can select a predefined reason when declining a Centralized Fulfillment renewal. The following are the available decline reason selections:

- Address
- Insurance
- County
- Scofflaw
- Other
5 RTS POS Issues

The issues documented in this section may have been reported by county, region, or headquarters and may not apply to all RTS POS users.

5.1 Resolved Issues in RTS 8.10

The following issues have been fixed in RTS 8.10.

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<td>Search By Owner Detail Information does not display by County: and Carrying Capacity displays a 0 when a weight is present.</td>
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<td>RRTS-8947</td>
<td>Error Message RTS000168 is received when attempting to issue a Duplicate Receipt on a Private Bus registration.</td>
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<td>RRTS-11078</td>
<td>Crushed Date option has been disabled for county users.</td>
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<tr>
<td>RRTS-11631</td>
<td>Inquiry receipt cuts off 2nd lienholder’s city, state, zip portion of address.</td>
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5.2 Known Issues in RTS 8.10

The following reported issues are unresolved in RTS 8.10.

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<td>Processing of Out of Scope Plates is not prevented when not in Title.</td>
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<td>RRTS-12192</td>
<td>Cannot enter maximum amount in the insufficient funds field.</td>
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