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ORI VALIDATION TIME FOR THE FBI AND NLETS FILES

Each criminal justice and law enforcement agency can receive an ORI (Originating Requesting Agency Identifier) from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This number is used in warrant and stolen property submissions, criminal history transactions, court disposition submissions, and other transactions performed on an agency's behalf against the Texas (TCIC/CCH) and National (NCIC/III) criminal justice databases, and within TLETS (Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications System) and Nlets (The International Justice and Public Safety Network). The FBI also uses this data for mailing pertinent information to agencies regarding criminal justice matters.

NCIC and Nlets require the validation of your agency's contact information at least every two years. In accordance with this policy, you are requested to carefully review your agency's information that was sent to every agency.

NEW THIS YEAR:

For agencies with access to a TLETS **OMNIXX™** terminal we have simplified the validation process. Instead of completing the MO and TU forms separately and mailing in a form to DPS, we have a new screen available in OMNIXX™ called the UORI screen. This new screen has combined the functionality of the old MO and TU screens. The UORI screen allows you to update your agency's current information. Upon transmission of the UORI screen, TLETS will automatically send the appropriate data to the various ORI databases at TCIC, NCIC, and Nlets. You will not need to return to DPS the attached agency information sheet(s) if the ORI information has been updated on the TLETS OMNIXX™ UORI transaction screen.

For agencies that do not have a TLETS terminal, and for the agencies that do not use OMNIXX™ software, you will need to make corrections directly on the attached agency information sheet(s) and as in the past, mail, email or fax the sheet(s) back to DPS. We will need to receive your form, even if you do not make any changes to your information.

If your agency has access to a TLETS **OMNIXX™** terminal, please use the online ORI Validation (UORI screen) by October 15, 2010. This online form must be completed, whether or not there are changes or updates to your information.

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If your agency does not have a TLETS **OMNIXX™** terminal, please contact Texas Department of Public Safety by November 15, 2010. If you need further assistance, or the form contact: Taffy Sweet by email: TCICQC@txdps.state.tx.us or by fax 512-424-7164.

National Vehicle Location Service

TLETS users now have access to another license plate reader program. It is called the National Vehicle Service (NVS) database, and it can be searched by using the NLETS RQ (Registration Query) transaction form. The two-character destination code for the inquiry is VS. The license plate and year of expiration are searched. An NVS inquiry also searches the national stolen vehicle file.

The NVS reader cameras record license plate data from towing services, repossession companies, parking lots and garages, and toll way systems. NVS provides a website, <http://nvls-lpr.com/nvis> for TLETS users to access the complete license plate reader records, including vehicle images, satellite map overlays, and historical scans of the number. NVS also captures images from stop light cameras and can make driver photos available. Users can call NVS at 866-687-1102 for assistance, and are reminded that NVS information is for lead purposes for legitimate criminal justice and law enforcement purposes only, and not to be used for non-law enforcement purposes.

Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Update

NEW ELECTRONIC TEMPORARY PERMIT DATABASE

TxDMV is very pleased to announce the implementation of the new Electronic Temporary Permit Database. Temporary permits include 72-Hour, 144-Hour, 30-Day, One-Trip and Factory Delivery, which have also been redesigned.

This database will provide law enforcement with the ability to inquire by permit number to verify the validity of the permit, including applicant name and permit period. The database will be accessible by law enforcement through the Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (TLETS).

Temporary permits will be printed on 8 ½ x 11 RTS-500 paper. The new permit pattern will be six numbers and one alpha character (NNNNNA). Example of a permit number is 345678B.



The purpose of the temporary permit database is to:

- Collect and store permit information
- Provide law enforcement 24/7 access to permit information (near real-time from issuance)
- Reduce fraud
- Print tags at the point of sale
- Eliminate cardboard tag inventory

The permits will first appear on September 28, 2010. Statewide implementation for temporary permits is October 10, 2010. Implementation will be staged over a period of weeks and as a result, both current cardboard and new paper temporary permits will be valid. Only the newly designed paper temporary permits will be in the database.

All permits can be run through TLETS using any permit number.

FRONT LICENSE PLATE PLACEMENT: COURT OPINION CLARIFIES

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals (CCA) recently issued an opinion concerning the placement of the front license plate. As you know, Section 502.404 of the Transportation Code requires a driver of a registered Texas vehicle to display two license plates, one in the front and the other to the rear of the vehicle. For those of you responsible for enforcing the Transportation Code, you are probably well aware of the fact that the code did not formally define "front." Consequently, this led to conflicting appellate opinions.

For example, the Austin Court of Appeals held that the front license plate was not required to be attached to the front bumper, i.e. inside the front windshield was sufficient. In contrast, the appeals court in Amarillo stated that the front plate must be displayed "where the car begins the foremost area of the car," typically the front bumper. As a result of these two opinions, assuming you were driving around with your front license plate tucked inside of your front windshield, you would be in compliance with Section 502.404 in one area of the state and in violation in another. This is no longer the case. The CCA agreed with the Amarillo Court's reasoning and decision. Therefore, according to this recent decision, under the plain language of Section 502.404(a) of a Transportation Code, the front license plate is required to be displayed at the beginning or foremost part of the vehicle, most commonly the front bumper.

For those of you interested in reading the entire opinion, you can find at the link below:

<http://www.cca.courts.state.tx.us/opinions/HTML/opinionInfo.asp?OpinionID=20044>.

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TXDOT UPDATE

The Texas Department of Transportation Vehicle Titles and Registration Division have a web site available for vehicle information for non-law enforcement use. The types of businesses that may be interested are auto dealers, auto auction, wrecker services, salvage yards, insurance companies, banks, credit unions, title services, collection agencies, city/county municipalities that have code enforcement, universities, colleges, and private investigators. This information is available 24-hours a day.

For further information, go to:

<https://prod1.dot.state.tx.us/cencompop.html>

IS A "TEXAS SURE" HIT REASONABLE SUSPICION TO STOP?

The Amarillo Court of Appeals recently held that officers did not have reasonable suspicion to stop the driver of a car based on a computer check of the car's license plate number, which indicated that the car was not covered by the financial responsibility coverage required by Chapter 601, Texas Transportation Code. According to the court, the database response to the officer's query was not enough to establish that the vehicle lacked the required coverage.

NOTE: This applies to registered Texas vehicles only

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NEW AGENCIES

MNEMONIC CHANGES

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PD	CNUZ
FARMERSVILLE PD	FAPZ
FULSHEAR PD	FULZ
GROESBECK	GCPZ
HELOTES PD	HTPZ
HUMBLE ISD PD	HUMZ
LA GRULLA PD	GUPZ
LONE STAR COLLEGE SYSTEM PD	LSCZ
SAN AUGUSTINE PD	SIPZ
SOUTH SAN ANTONIO ISD PD	SADZ
TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY COMMERCE PD	TMCZ

MNEMONIC ADDRESS CHANGES

	OLD	<u>New</u>
COLLEYVILLE PD	CYVZ	KLRZ
TYLER PD	TYX1	TYPZ

DELETED AGENCIES

DEL RIO US PROBATION	DPBZ
MIDLAND US PROBATION	MDAZ
NIXON PD	NISZ
TEMPLE CENTRAL TX TF 04	NBB8

AGENCY NAME CHANGES

KELLER-SOUTHLAKE -COLLEYVILLE- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	KLRZ
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TRAINING CALENDAR

2010 SCHEDULE

FORT WORTH

December 6-10, 2010 – Region 1

2011 SCHEDULE

RICHMOND

January 10-14 – Region 2

EDINBURG

February 7-9 – Region 3

SAN ANGELO

March 21-25 – Region 4

WICHITA FALLS

April 18-22 – Region 5

CEDAR PARK

May 16-20 – Region 6

TLETS/NLETS Basic Procedures Course #3809 –
Contact DPS Austin 512.424.2419. E-mail:
joanne.jenkins@txdps.state.tx.us or
john.hale@txdps.state.tx.us

For agencies with OMNIXX, to get to the OMNIXX Trainer go to the DPS public internet:
<https://tlets.txdps.state.tx.us/omnixx/desktop/>
Enter your user name and password. After your login has been accepted, select Classes>All Classes> at the right hand bottom of the screen; select SEARCH. You can view all classes available. Double click on the blue hyperlink to view class details, such as dates, location, and address. If you want to enroll, click the “enroll” button on the lower right hand bottom of the screen.

2nd Quarter 2010 TLETS Puzzler Answers

Across

1. ONE MA “LIST” MAP
2. FOUR MA ‘LIST” MAP
5. SIX MA ‘LIST” MAP
6. FIVE MA ‘LIST” MAP
7. DFW MA ‘LIST”
8. MX TLETS Manual Chapter 7
10. SUBMIT“OMNIXX TRAINER”
13. THREE TLETS Web page
14. SH59 MA ‘LIST”

Down

1. OMNIXXTRAINER
3. ORIONFILE Chapter 13 TLETS Manual
4. RED TLETS Web page
9. PLACKARDS Chapter 13.8
11. GCV MA ‘LIST”
12. SH83 MA ‘LIST”