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TO: All Enforcement Agencies and Magistrates

SUBJECT: New Temporary Certificate of Registration

On July 2, 2012, the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles will begin issuing a new temporary registration, in most registration classes, to customers who renew a registration online. If the customer does not receive the new registration credentials before the registration expires, the temporary registration will allow the vehicle to continue to be operated until the new credentials arrive.

Upon completing the online renewal transaction, the customer will print the temporary registration certificate on a home printer. The temporary registration will be valid for 10 days from the date the renewal transaction is completed. The temporary registration certificate will have a watermark; the expiration date of the temporary registration will display in several locations within the watermark.

The temporary registration certificate must be displayed on the driver's side of the vehicle's dashboard. In the absence of a dashboard, the certificate must be carried by the driver during the 10-day temporary registration period. Customers will be instructed not to remove the expiring registration sticker until they receive the new one. After the temporary registration expires, the new registration sticker must be displayed.

The "Plate" field on the certificate will display the registration number that was assigned prior to the renewal. If the customer has been issued a new plate or set of plates within the last year, the field "New Plate" will be shown with the new plate number; the new plate(s) may have the same number configuration as the previous plate(s) if the customer opted to keep the same plate number. Either the new plate number or the previous plate number will be displayed during the time the temporary

registration is valid because the plate(s) and the new registration credentials are mailed separately.

Sample images of the new temporary certificate for a passenger vehicle and for a motorcycle are attached for your reference. Because the certificate will be printed on a home computer, the paper and/or print quality may vary from document to document. To ensure that the registration is valid, the vehicle's registration record should be checked.

Please share this information with appropriate staff, including all road patrol personnel. Thank you.

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Attachments

TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

This certificate is not valid unless there is a corresponding NYS registration sticker affixed to the windshield.

VIN:	EXPIRATION OF TEMPORARY REGISTRATION	DATE ISSUED:
PLATE:		MAKE:
CLASS:	TRANSACTION #	COLOR:
		YEAR:

Failure to display BOTH the NYS registration sticker on the windshield AND this Temporary Certificate of Registration may result in the issuance of a traffic or parking ticket.




DIRECTIONS

1. Do not remove the registration windshield sticker currently on your vehicle until you receive your new sticker in the mail.
2. Fold this paper on the dotted line and place it on your dashboard under your registration sticker making sure that your temporary certificate and your vehicle identification number (VIN) are visible.
3. Failure to display BOTH the NYS registration sticker on the windshield AND this Temporary Certificate of Registration may result in the issuance of a traffic or parking ticket.
4. If you do not receive the permanent registration sticker that replaces this temporary document by the expiration date, please call or visit DMV at [www.dmv.ny.gov](http://www.dmv.ny.gov), or visit your local motor vehicles office.

TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

This certificate is not valid unless there is a corresponding NYS registration sticker affixed to the vehicle.

HIN/VIN:	EXPIRATION OF TEMPORARY REGISTRATION	DATE ISSUED:
PLATE:		MAKE:
CLASS:		YEAR:
TRANSACTION #		

Failure to BOTH display the NYS registration sticker on the vehicle AND produce this Temporary Certificate of Registration may result in the issuance of a traffic ticket.



DIRECTIONS

1. Do not remove the registration sticker currently on your vehicle until you receive your new sticker in the mail.
2. If the existing registration sticker on your vehicle has expired, you must carry this temporary registration with you whenever you operate the vehicle.
3. Failure to BOTH display the NYS registration sticker on the vehicle AND produce this Temporary Certificate of Registration may result in the issuance of a traffic ticket.
4. If you do not receive the permanent registration sticker that replaces this temporary document by the expiration date, please call or visit DMV at [www.dmv.ny.gov](http://www.dmv.ny.gov), or visit your local motor vehicles office.