



DALLAS COUNTY TAX OFFICE
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***** Press Release *****

Combined Registration and Inspection Sticker Begins March 2015

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“Texas is changing the way the Registration and Inspection stickers will be issued” stated Dallas County Tax Assessor/Collector John R. Ames. During the 83rd Legislative session, HB 2305 was passed combining the inspection and registration sticker.

Beginning March 1, 2015, Texas will begin the "Two Steps, One Sticker" vehicle inspection and registration program. Texas registered vehicles will no longer be issued an inspection sticker at the time of inspection. The registration sticker will serve as combined proof of inspection and registration. **Texan's will still need to have their vehicles inspected.** Once inspected, you will receive a Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR) instead of a vehicle inspection sticker.

During the **first year** of the "Two Step, One Sticker" program, from March 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016, a Texas registered vehicle may be renewed if the vehicle has a currently passing inspection. However, if the Texas registered vehicle's inspection and registration stickers already expire in the same month, the vehicle will need to pass inspection prior to registration renewal.

Example:

Registration Sticker expires April 2015

Inspection Sticker expires in September 2015

The owner will renew the vehicles registration in April 2015 and will not need to have the vehicle inspected until April 2016. In 2016, this vehicle's registration and inspection will be "synced" to expire at the same time. Once synced, vehicles must pass an inspection not more than 90 days prior to registration expiration.

Texas state required fees will remain the same, but the collection methods will change. The inspection station will still collect a fee for inspecting the vehicle and the state's portion of the inspection fee will be collected at the time the vehicle registration is renewed at the Tax Office.

“Our goal is to make sure all our citizens are aware of this new process so the transition will be as smooth as possible for them” Ames stated.

Additional information regarding the "Two Step, One Sticker" program can be found at: www.twostepsonesticker.com

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