



COLORADO
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To Whom It May Concern,

Due to COVID-19 related shutdowns or reduction in operations there is a significant delay in either the County Motor Vehicle offices or vendors that provide license plates and registration products from being able to complete the registration for vehicles and/or to provide the license plate, year and/or month validation tab or other registration product to evidence registration of vehicles.

This may result in vehicles being operated by the owner:

- With an expired temporary registration permit;
- With an expired license plate not displaying a current year and/or month validation tab;
- With a different license plate on the vehicle than in motor vehicle records or
- Without a license plate affixed to this vehicle.

Please note that when searching vehicles in motor vehicle, law enforcement, and tolling authority systems when the vehicle shows a different license plate and/or year validation tab serial number than is currently affixed to the vehicle it is more likely that it is due to a delay in a print on demand vendor in producing the license plate and/or year validation tab and mailing it in a timely manner. The Department is also aware of a significant delay by the U.S. Postal Service in delivering mailed license plates and validation tabs to the customers.

Customers carrying this letter have attempted to complete all necessary requirements to register this vehicle but due to the delays are unable to properly display a license plate or validation tab.

Vehicle owners should keep a copy of this letter in the vehicle at all times it is being operated without valid registration, license plate or validation tabs and should present this letter to law enforcement, tolling authorities, parking authorities or other enforcement agencies should you be questioned. Should these agencies have any questions they should be directed to contact the Division of Motor Vehicles at 303.205.5608.

Law enforcement, tolling authorities, parking authorities or other enforcement agencies are asked to be lenient when enforcing expired license plates, expired temporary registration permits and expired Persons with Disability parking placards. Any questions should be directed to the Division of Motor Vehicles at 303.205.5608.

Vehicle owners will receive their current license plate, year and month validation tab, and registration receipt upon County Motor Vehicle offices and print on demand vendors being permitted to open or go back into full operations.

Sincerely,

Kevin Kihn
Acting Director
Vehicle Services Section