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Date: October 17, 2018
Bulletin: All Dealers and Title Services
From: Business Licensing and Consumer Services
RE: **Chesapeake Bay Plates**

Maryland Department of Transportation's Motor Vehicle Administration in partnership with the Chesapeake Bay Trust will offer a new Chesapeake Bay license plate beginning Monday, October 29, 2018 for all passenger cars, SUVs, trucks, trailers, and multipurpose vehicles. The current Chesapeake Bay license plate design has been offered since 2004.

For all Electronic Registration and Titling (ERT) participants, Motor Car Carriers, Inc., will begin delivering new plates Thursday, October 18, 2018. All ERT participants will have the new Chesapeake Bay license plates by Monday, October 29, 2018. Motor Car Carriers will begin collecting all current Chesapeake Bay license plates on Tuesday, October 30, 2018.

To ensure a smooth transition, please follow these guidelines:

- As of **October 29, 2018**, only the new Chesapeake Bay plate is to be issued.
- For timely delivery, please place your tag orders starting **TODAY** from your ERT vendor.
- Dealers and Tag & Title Services may return their unissued Chesapeake Bay plate inventory weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. directly to the MVA Warehouse located at 150 H Blades Lane, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 (phone: 410-424-3640). You may also contact MCC directly to discuss their process for plate pickup/arrangements and return to the MDOT MVA.
- All Chesapeake Bay plates that will not be issued prior to **October 29** should be returned immediately to the MVA Warehouse at the above address.
- All non-issued Chesapeake Bay Plate designs should be returned to the MDOT MVA Warehouse no later than **Wednesday, December 5, 2018**.
- Note. Although the trailer version of the Bay Plates can be ordered now, the distribution of this plate type may not be delivered to all locations by October 29, 2018.

Please remember, the new Chesapeake Bay Plate design should not be issued until **Monday, October 29, 2018**. Chesapeake Bay Plate Design stock currently on the market may not be issued after **Sunday, October 28, 2018**.

If you have questions, please contact us at mvablcsd@mva.maryland.gov.