

## D-09-16-01

Date: September 8, 2016  
To: All Dealers and Tag & Title Services  
Re: New License Plate – *Maryland Proud*

The Maryland Department of Transportation's Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) will start issuing a new license plate design on Monday, September 26, 2016, for all passenger cars, SUVs, trucks, motorcycles and multipurpose vehicles. The new standard-issue plate proudly features the Maryland flag front and center and will replace the War of 1812 plate. With the Maryland flag prominently displayed on the new plate, we call it our *Maryland Proud* plate. The new plate will carry the same alpha-numeric tag scheme without stacked letters.



For all Electronic Registration & Titling (ERT) participants, Motor Car Couriers, (MCC) Inc., will begin delivering new plates the week of September 12. All ERT participants will have the new license plates by September 26, 2016. MCC will collect non-issued War of 1812 plates starting September 27.

To ensure a smooth transition, please follow these guidelines:

- The new plate will not be issued prior to September 26<sup>th</sup>.
- For timely delivery, please place your plate orders as early as possible beginning September 12.
- Dealers and Tag & Title Services may return their unissued War of 1812 plate inventory weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. directly to the MVA's Warehouse located at 150H Blades Lane, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 (phone 410-424-3640). You also may contact MCC directly to discuss their process / arrangements for plate pickup and return to the MVA.
- All War of 1812 plates that will not be issued prior to September 26 should be returned immediately to the MVA Warehouse at the above address.
- All non-issued War of 1812 plates must be returned to the MVA by October 31, 2016.

**Please remember: The new plate may not be issued until September 26, 2016.** The current War of 1812 plate will only be issued through September 25, 2016.

If you have any questions, you may contact us at [mvablcsd@mva.maryland.gov](mailto:mvablcsd@mva.maryland.gov).