

Arizona's ELT Program and e-Title Initiative

Current ELT Program

- All organizational lienholders are required to participate in the ELT process – titles are electronic only until lien is perfected
- When the dealer pays off the ELT lien, the title is printed in the name of the current owner (person that traded in the vehicle)
- Dealers are required to have ownership documents in their possession in order to offer the vehicle for sale
- Duplicate titles are required when the title has been lost
- Dealer to dealer sales are recorded on the back of the title with no update to the ADOT record

History – How we got here

- 2010 - SB1292 required all commercial lenders to release liens electronically
- May 2010 - the Arizona Automobile Dealers Association (AADA) became the department's ELT hub, a single clearinghouse for ELT releases
- 2011 - the programming was completed, but not implemented, to allow electronic transfer of title to the dealer when a vehicle paid off the ELT lien
- 2016 - HB2532 passed which enabled electronic titling
- The department was able to leverage the original programming from 2011 to implement E-Title Phase I within a short period of time

Phase I Changes

- Implements title transfer to dealer function (from customer trading in vehicle)
- Enhances existing ELT program to include electronic dealer reassignments for all traded-in vehicles
 - Eliminates the current processes of reassigning on the back of the paper title
- Maintains ability to print a title in the event the vehicle is to be titled out of state
- Implementation Summer 2017 (starting June 18)

Benefits

- Significant reduction in the amount of paper to manage at the dealership
- Simple electronic transfer process
- Dealers will be able to offer the vehicle for sale more quickly
- Enables the dealer to ensure they have a clear title for transfer
- Timely ownership information in the system. (Current paper process does not capture dealer reassignments on the back of titles in the system)
- Recent ownership information will be available to law enforcement
- Nationwide law enforcement will be able to query the dealer reassignment through the NMVTIS pointer file
- Enables vehicle tracking and dealer activity
- Reduces fraud

Upcoming Enhancements

- Dealer to customer transfers
- Private sale transfers
- Full electronic titling process
- Advanced remote customer authentication
- Rollouts begin early 2018

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