

Vehicle "Style" on Title Products

Quick Reference Guide

MVD Vehicle Central Programs

Intended Audience: The following can be used by county treasurer staff and Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) employees, including Motor Carrier Services (MCS) employees. This process is not a requirement but may be used at county discretion and customer request.

Overview

The "style" field was used by many counties and customers to track vehicles as small trailers, identify specific trailers during registration renewal, and other uses for identification, e.g. LSV 2P/4P, glider, etc.

During the Any County programming update, the requirement for vehicle "style" was removed from the title application. The "style" field was also removed from the title and registration application in ARTS and greyed out in vehicle records, preventing users from entering or modifying this information. However, "style" still appears on titles, title snapshots, and registration receipts, leading to confusion for some customers and county staff. Additionally, the "style" field continues to populate when new vehicles are entered into ARTS through VINtelligence.

A request has been submitted for programming to further remove "style" and reduce confusion. If programmed, the "style" area would additionally be removed from other title and registration products but would not reinstate functionality of this field.

Please see below for standardized use of the "Tracking #" field to replace some functionality lost when "style" was removed.

Helpful Resources

County Vehicle Resource Site: <https://iowadot.gov/mvd/ctmanual>

Standardized Use of the “Tracking #” Field in ARTS

MVD and the County Motor Vehicle Taskforce recommends using the Tracking # field to help identify vehicles in a similar way as the Style field was used. Tracking # may still be used for adding fleet numbers for larger fleet businesses.

The Tracking # field can be changed or updated via Registration Update (RU), Registration Renewal (RR) or transfer of ownership (TR).

Update Registration

VIN **NOVIN**

Vehicle 2000 Specially Constructed

Reg 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2025

Veh Type Small Regular Trailer

Usage/Tons Regular

Location OVMCS - Primary

Set <New Set>

Application Fee Detail Mailing Documents

Received Date 2/13/2025 Renewal Customer [REDACTED] Reason Updated ADS Capable [REDACTED] Tracking # [REDACTED] Subject To Reg [REDACTED] Request Refund [REDACTED]

Registration

Exp Date Apr 2025 Reg Interval Annual Renewal Pref Postcard Weight: [REDACTED] List Price [REDACTED] Color Black Color 2 [REDACTED] Sq Footage [REDACTED] ADS Restriction [REDACTED] Damag [REDACTED]

Start / End	Us...	Tonnage	Plate Type	Veh Type	Fee Description	Annual Fee	Fee Amount
2/1/2025 / 4/30/2025	Regular	0	County Std	Small Regular Trailer	Owner Reg Fee, 3 Mon	\$20.00	\$5.00

☐ Replace Plate Fee ☐ Impound Fee

Customer

...	Customer ID	ID Type	Legal Name	Print Name	Residency Address	Date of Birth	Relativ
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Owner

Plate Changes

Current Plate [REDACTED] Plate Disposition [REDACTED] Plate Type County Std Plate # [REDACTED]

New Plate [REDACTED] Plate Type County Std AutoAssign Get Plate

☒ Grandfather Eligible ☐ Print Validation Sticker ☐ Mail Sticker and Reg Receipt ☐ Mail Plate

Mail To [REDACTED]


Transaction Fees	Fee	Penalty
Registration Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
EV Reg Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00
Plate Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sub Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00


Validate Pay Now Pay Later Hold Revert Cancel

Users may enter letters or numbers in the Tracking # field, but it will not allow spaces.


The information entered in the Tracking # field appears on the registration receipt and does not show on the title.


Example of how it looks on the registration receipt below:

IOWA 2026
FEB




****Valid for one month after expiration**




 **IOWA**



****Keep this receipt with vehicle**

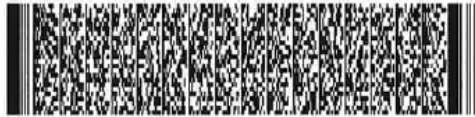
In Lieu of Registration ****Expiration Date 02/28/2026**


Issuing Co. **Black Hawk**
 Managing Co.
 Usage **Regular**

Issue Date **02/13/2025**


 Plate No. **IF0000**
 Tracking # **PontoonTrl**

Or 




VIN 

Type **Small Regular Trailer**

Year	2009	Make	Karavan	Model	KDPT-2225-39	Style	pontoon trl
Cyl.		Fuel		Weight	900	GVWR	4,800
Color	Black	ADS Capable		LP.		Sq. Ft.	

Plate Type **County Std**
 Designation
 Cumulative Damage
 Annual Fee **\$20**

For questions, please contact county.vehicle@iowadot.us.