

# Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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## Stolen and Missing Georgia Title Stock

In September 2007, the Georgia Department of Revenue reported 12,000 blank Georgia title certificates were stolen and missing. The serial numbers for these blank title certificates are listed below and are printed on the bottom of the Georgia title certificate. These blank titles are an older style of Georgia titles that are smaller than current title stock. The stolen title stock dimensions are 8.5" x 7". Beginning in late 2018, Georgia changed to a full-size title certificate with dimensions 8.5" x 11".

These blank stolen Georgia title certificates continue to be presented to motor vehicle agencies with vehicle information complete in an attempt to transfer the title to a new title. Many times, these title certificates contain accurate title numbers and other vehicle information that matches NMVTIS records. Please advise all title issuance staff to check the serial numbers of any smaller size Georgia title certificate against the list of stolen title certificates. Also, if the title issuance date of a smaller size Georgia title certificate is dated 2019 or newer, it should be considered suspicious and further investigated.

These stolen and missing Georgia title certificates are normally used in an attempt to obtain title for a stolen vehicle. If one of these Georgia title certificates is discovered, title issuance should be stopped, and the application investigated following your agencies procedures for possible title fraud. Be advised the customer may or may not be aware of the stolen title status. Also, it is likely the VIN displayed on the stolen title certificate will not reflect a stolen vehicle status when conducting an NMVTIS check.

### Stolen and Missing Georgia Title Certificates Serial Numbers

22756001 – 22760000

22792001 – 22796000

22828001 – 22832000

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