



H.E.A.T. (Help End Auto Theft) is a free statewide vehicle registration program administered by the Texas Department of Public Safety that helps law enforcement officials identify stolen vehicles.

AT NO CHARGE, any vehicle owner in Texas can obtain a special decal for the back window of his/her car or truck that authorizes law enforcement officers to stop the vehicle and verify ownership between 1:00 am and 5:00 a.m. anywhere in Texas.

COLOR-CODED DECALS are also available to alert border officials to check ownership for any vehicle being driven across the border into Mexico.

Program Conditions

(Please read and sign below to indicate that you agree to the following conditions to register your vehicle in the H.E.A.T. program.)

- I agree specifically to advise the person whom I give possession of the vehicle that this agreement exists and officers may stop them during the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. if the officers suspect the vehicle may be stolen. It is the intention of the program to operate upon the assumption that when a vehicle registered in the program is being operated during the designated hours, a peace officer has the power to stop the vehicle because it is assumed that the vehicle is being operated by someone other than a permitted owner. Accordingly, the further assumption is that the vehicle has been stolen or misappropriated.
- I agree and understand that peace officers will take necessary precautions when making a stop on a H.E.A.T. registered vehicle during the program hours because of the potential for it to have been stolen.
- I understand that the information concerning my vehicle will be placed into a computerized database, including the TCIC (Texas Crime Information Center), for purposes of enforcement at a later date.
- I understand that a vehicle that has had the decals removed, but which has not been removed from the computerized system by the H.E.A.T. Program is subject to being stopped, except that it might not be the subject of a stop at an international border.
- I agree to notify the H.E.A.T. Program of any changes occurring in the information that I have just provided. (e.g. address, phone number, name change, license plate number). Failure to do so may result in removal of my vehicle from the program.
- I understand that in order to withdraw from this program I must remove both decals from my vehicle and notify the H.E.A.T. Program by phone, mail, e-mail, or fax. I further agree to remove the decals and notify the H.E.A.T. Program prior to the sale or transfer of ownership on my registered vehicle.
- I have read this entire form and agree to abide by all H.E.A.T. Program provisions, policies and rules.

PRINTED NAME OF OWNER(S)

SIGNATURE OF OWNER(S)

DATE

STICK IT!



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Texas H.E.A.T. Program Vehicle Registration Form

(There is no cost to register)

Form Provided By Harris County Sheriff's Office Auto Theft Task Force

WHY ENROLL?

A car is stolen in Texas every five and a half minutes. More vehicles are stolen between 1:00 and 5:00 a.m. than any other time. In 1998, more than 96,000 vehicles were stolen in Texas. With just a pen and five minutes, you can make it a lot harder for a thief to drive away in your car.

ENROLLING IS EASY.

Just complete the H.E.A.T. registration application to have your vehicle listed in a statewide database accessible 24 hours a day only to law enforcement agencies. Personal and company cars and trucks are eligible for H.E.A.T. protection. You don't have to be a permanent Texas resident to participate in the program as long as you can provide a Texas address and phone number for when you're here.

QUESTIONS?

Call the Texas H.E.A.T. Program toll free at 1-888-447-5933.



Detach and return completed form to the Texas Department of Public Safety

To participate

Have you fulfilled state law requirements concerning insurance coverage on this vehicle? Yes No

Is the vehicle identified below registered in your state of residence? Yes No

Do you have a valid driver license? Yes No

Please print clearly in ink.

Register ONLY ONE vehicle per form. NO boats, trailers, construction equipment, farm equipment or motorcycles can be enrolled at this time. You may make copies of this form to enroll several vehicles. **Unless marked optional, you must provide ALL information requested.**

LICENSE PLATE NUMBER _____

LICENSE PLATE STATE _____

LICENSE PLATE YEAR _____

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN) _____

VEHICLE YEAR _____

VEHICLE MAKE (CHEVROLET, FORD, OLDSMOBILE, ETC.) _____

VEHICLE MODEL (CARAVAN, ACCORD, CHEROKEE, ETC.) _____

VEHICLE STYLE (4 DOOR, CONVERTIBLE, VAN, TRUCK, ETC.) _____

VEHICLE COLOR (USE CLOSEST BASIC COLOR) _____

NAME(S) OF REGISTERED OWNER(S) (E.G. JONES, SHIRLEY AND BRAD) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER (WHERE CAN YOU BE REACHED BETWEEN 1:00 AM AND 5:00 AM) _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE STATE _____

FAX NUMBER (OPTIONAL) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL) _____

ALTERNATE DRIVERS (OPTIONAL: OTHERS OPERATING THE VEHICLE, E.G. JONES, MARY) _____

ALTERNATE DRIVER 1 _____

ALTERNATE DRIVER 2 _____

Please sign the registration form on the other side.

Choice of Decals (select yellow or white)

Please indicate your choice of H.E.A.T. decals by placing an "X" in the appropriate box.

By completing and signing this application to participate in the H.E.A.T. program, you are voluntarily granting authority to peace officers to stop your registered vehicle anywhere in Texas between the hours of 1:00 am and 5:00 am to verify ownership. You may also extend this authority to whenever the vehicle crosses or is about to cross into Mexico from the State of Texas either between the hours of 1:00 am and 5:00 am or to all hours of the day and on all days. You may withdraw your permission and participation in the program at any time. A peace officer may only exercise his/her authority to stop your vehicle under the conditions of the program when the decals are visible on your car.

YELLOW DECAL (protection when vehicle is driven into Mexico between 1:00 am and 5:00 am)

By registration, I agree that the vehicle may be stopped between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. anywhere in Texas or crossing the border from Texas into Mexico.



WHITE DECAL (additional protection ANY TIME vehicle is driven into Mexico)

By registration, I agree that the vehicle may be stopped between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. anywhere in Texas and anytime the vehicle is crossing the border from Texas into Mexico.



Mail this completed registration to:

Texas Department of Public Safety
Texas H.E.A.T. Program
P.O. Box 4143
Austin, TX 78765
Phone: (888) 447-5933
Fax: (512) 424-7164
E-mail: Heat@txdps.state.tx.us

You'll receive your H.E.A.T. decals and a confirmation letter that your vehicle has been entered into the statewide database after all information on your application has been verified. If the information you provide is expired, incorrect or incomplete, you will be denied registration in the program. If denied, you will be notified and asked to provide the correct information.