

# Keep your plate in July '08!



“Keep my  
plates? You  
mean like  
**FOREVER?**”

Well, **ALMOST** forever. At least as long as the plate series is valid and you continue to drive a vehicle.

In July of 2008, South Dakota's vehicle registration system will change from license plate with vehicle to license plate with owner.



Under the new system, the plates you have on your vehicle become yours. This means if you sell the vehicle, you **KEEP** the plates and put them on the next vehicle you purchase, once you go to the County Treasurer and register that vehicle. That license number remains **YOUR** number as long as the plate series is valid.

To accommodate the change, the South Dakota Division of Motor Vehicles will be using a new computer system called **SDcars** (Customized Automated Registration System).

Since **SDcars** ties all of a vehicle owner's records together, it allows for handy features like multiple vehicle renewal and multiple transactions for a single customer like registration renewal, adding a title, updating an address, etc.

The new license plate with owner system will also mean some new responsibilities for **YOU** as a vehicle owner, like filing a **Report of Sale** if you sell or transfer your vehicle, and obtaining a **Seller's Permit** for the buyer so you can remove and keep your plates.

**Have questions? Contact your County Treasurer  
or visit [www.SDcars.org](http://www.SDcars.org)**