

1 19A NCAC 03C .0429 is proposed for reoption without substantive changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 03C .0429 LICENSE PLATE TRANSFER**

4 (a) The procedure for transferring a plate when disposition of the vehicle is other than by sale or transfer of interest  
5 is as follows:

6 (1) When the vehicle is dismantled and the title is marked junked (~~title marked junked~~), the owner may,  
7 if insurance is in effect, make application to transfer the plate to another vehicle. The plate may be  
8 used, on a vehicle of the same category, for 20 days while in the process of having the transfer  
9 recorded.

10 (2) When the vehicle is parked, to be sold or for later use, or to be changed from a private to a for hire  
11 operation, the plate may be transferred to another vehicle of like category provided the owner gets  
12 a new registration certificate before operating the vehicle. The 20-day transfer period is not allowed  
13 in this case.

14 (b) Corporate, partnership or proprietorship name changes do not constitute a change in ownership for purposes of  
15 registration with the Division. G.S. 20-64 defines the law in this area. Conditions that do affect the transfer of license  
16 plates are:

17 (1) The plate does not remain with the vehicle when ownership passes from a subsidiary corporation to  
18 the parent corporation.

19 (2) A plate may not be transferred from one existing corporation to another existing corporation.

20 (3) A plate issued to a corporation may pass to a stockholder if the corporation is dissolved.

21 (4) A plate issued in the trade name of a proprietor may not be transferred to a vehicle registered in the  
22 proprietor's personal name. Registration may be made, however, made however in the personal  
23 name and trade name, i.e., John Thomas Jones (T/A) Thomas Car Works.

24 (5) If an unincorporated proprietor or unincorporated partnership transfers his interest in a vehicle to a  
25 corporation on which he is a stockholder, the plate may not be transferred.

26 (6) When the registered owner dies, transfer of interest in the vehicle to anyone other than the surviving  
27 spouse requires the issuance of a new plate.

28 (c) Transfer of plates, annual or semi-permanent, is not allowed during the grace period following the expiration date  
29 of the plate. If a plate has expired, it may be validated and then assigned to another vehicle.

30 (d) Division automobile inspectors and weigh station personnel may accept applications and render receipts for  
31 transfer of common carrier license plates in addition to other classifications of plates.

32 (e) Intrastate common carriers operating under the authority of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, must present  
33 a copy of their equipment list, as filed with the commissioner, to the officer accepting the application for transfer of  
34 plates.

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36 *History Note: Authority G.S. 20-39; 20-42; 20-64; 20-65; 20-64 through 20-66;*

37 *Eff. March 1, 1982;*

38 *Amended Eff. December 1, 1993.*

