

§ 3-502. *Transferee must secure new registration.*

(a) *The transferee before operating or permitting the operation upon a highway of a vehicle transferred to him shall apply for and obtain the registration thereon, as upon an original registration, except as otherwise permitted in this subtitle. If the vehicle is not operated upon a highway the vehicle need not be registered.*

(b) *A transferee who has been given written permission to use the existing registration plates, as provided in section 3-501, may operate and permit the operation of the vehicle under the plates for not more than 10 days from the date of its transfer. Prior to the expiration of this period he shall remove the plates from the vehicle and promptly return them either to the prior owner of the vehicle or to the department. After either the expiration of the 10 day period or the earlier removal of the registration plates, the registration of the vehicle shall expire, and it shall be unlawful for the transferee or for any person other than the person to whom such registration plates were originally issued to have them in his possession, whether or not the plates are in use. Nothing in this subsection prohibits the prior owner from transferring the registration plates to another vehicle, as provided in section 3-502.1.*

§ 3-502.1. *Transfer to another vehicle.*

The former owner of a transferred vehicle may have its existing plates and registration number assigned to another vehicle in the same classification by applying to the department and paying a transfer fee of \$1.00. If the vehicle to which they are transferred is one for which a higher registration fee is required than for the former vehicle, the owner shall pay in addition the difference between the fee paid for registration of the former vehicle and the fee required for registration of the vehicle to which they are transferred.

§ 3-503. *Transfers to and from registered dealers.*

(a) *If the transferee of a vehicle is a registered dealer who holds it for sale and either lawfully operates it under dealers' registration plates or does not operate or permit such vehicle to be operated upon the highways, the transferee shall not be required to obtain a new registration of the vehicle.*

(b) *If a transfer of a vehicle is made by a registered dealer and the transferee possesses current registration plates issued to another properly registered vehicle, and the registration plates are transferable, the dealer, in the manner and to the extent specified in rules and regulations issued or to be issued by the commissioner, shall issue to the transferee only one permit which authorizes the transferee to use on the vehicle transferred to him by the dealer the current registration plates belonging to the other vehicle for a period not exceeding 30 days from the date of the transfer. The permit shall be on a form furnished to registered dealers by the department and shall bear the signature of the dealer and be displayed as registration cards are now required to be displayed.*

§ 3-503.1. *Transfers between spouses.*

If either by act of the parties or by operation of law a vehicle registered in the joint names of husband and wife is transferred to the individual name of either spouse, or a vehicle registered in the