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Stolen Articles - SOS Registration Sticker Changes
Entry Procedure Changes

Illinois Secretary of State (SOS) Registration Stickers no longer display a serial number; therefore, Stolen Article entries must be made using the license plate number displayed on the sticker as the Serial Number (SER).

The Brand Name (BRA) is the two-character abbreviation for the state issuing the sticker (IL). The Type (TYP) is JLICTAB. The Miscellaneous (MIS) field should contain the License Month and License Year displayed on the sticker reported as being stolen.

The SER field will not accept hyphens. The license plate must be entered without the hyphen, same as you would for Stolen License Plate. As with all license plate inquiries, plates which require a hyphen must be inquired upon twice; once without a hyphen for the Computerized Hot File (CHF) check and once with the hyphen for the registration information. Article inquiries require a TYP code in addition to the SER. The LEADS Daily Bulletin titled Entry/Inquiry – Plates That Require a Hyphen contains additional information regarding these types of entries and inquiries.

Sticker examples:





If you have any questions or need help, please contact the ISP Help Desk at ISP.HelpDesk@illinois.gov or at 866/LEADS-00 (866/532-3700).

Operator's Initials	Date	Operator's Initials	Date	Operator's Initials	Date	Operator's Initials	Date	Operator's Initials	Date