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Madame Director: I'm getting this out to our dealers as a reminder of the rules governing "temp tags". Pat Watson with SCADA is doing likewise. Hopefully this will help some. I'm also providing this to all the member-auctions in South Carolina.

ATTENTION SOUTH CAROLINA DEALERS:

There is a rumor afloat that certain Legislators want to "tighten up" the handling of Temporary Tags by SC dealers.

Remember that we managed to avoid having to handle state-issued "temp tags" a couple of years back and from our conversations with you, we know you don't want that additional burden placed on your dealership. PLEASE remember that it is illegal to operate one of your vehicles without either a "real tag", a Dealer Tag or a Temporary Tag issued by a licensed dealer, DMV or the County Auditor. We are hearing that Law Enforcement in SC are seeing far too many vehicles being driven on Temporary Tags that do not have an expiration date shown. Also, remember that these dealer-issued Temporary Tags are to be placed ONLY on vehicles you have sold and are not to be used instead of a Dealer Tag. It is illegal to test drive or transport a vehicle in your inventory on a Temporary Tag; that is what your dealer tag is for. Also, remember that it is illegal to re-do a sales contract or buyer's guide in order to provide a customer with a new 45 day temporary tag.

Lastly, please remember that the expiration date of the Temporary, 45-day tags must be printed in indelible contrasting ink in characters not less than one-quarter inch wide and one and one-half inches high.

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