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It's easier to apply for vehicle stickers  
CITY CLERK | Online process simplified for 275,000 owners

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Chicagoans will have an easier time purchasing their vehicle stickers, thanks to a revised application process unveiled by city Clerk Miguel del Valle.

More than 135,000 motorists who bought their stickers online last year will get e-mail reminders. A link will automatically bring up their information. They won't have to type it in again.

City Clerk Miguel del Valle unveiled a revised application process to purchase vehicle stickers.

More than 140,000 others who live in residential permit parking zones will be able to renew their permits and city stickers by filling out one application.

The current city stickers expire June 30. Enforcement will begin after a 15-day grace period. There is no grace period for residential parking permits. Sticker scofflaws face a \$120 fine. Stickers purchased after July 15 include a \$40 late fee.

City stickers cost \$75 for passenger vehicles, reduced to \$30 for senior citizens. The sticker fee for SUVs went up -- from \$90 to \$120 -- as part of Mayor Daley's 2008 budget.

The city sells 1.3 million stickers each year, raising \$100 million used to maintain city streets.