Mismatched VINs

Scenario

- Have legal authority to look in interior of vehicle and all compartments.
- Have evidence that vehicle (whether occupied or unoccupied) has different VIN numbers physically attached.
- Plates match the vehicle description or no plates on vehicle

The Question

• What are the enforcement procedures?

Comments

Impound

625 ILCS 5/4-107(i) - If a vehicle or part of any vehicle is found to have the manufacturer's
identification number removed, altered, defaced or destroyed, the vehicle or part shall be seized by
any law enforcement agency having jurisdiction and held for the purpose of identification...

Case Report

- o IUCR 5002 Other Offense Other Vehicle Offense
- Include information
 - VINs from different parts of vehicle
 - All vehicle occupants

Arrest

- o if person has at least inferred knowledge
- Charge: 625 ILCS 5/4-103-A-4 Offenses relating to motor vehicles and other vehicles
 - A person to buy, receive, possess, sell or dispose of a vehicle, or any essential part thereof, with knowledge that the identification number of the vehicle or any essential part thereof having an identification number has been removed or falsified;

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