



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES
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Application for Special Plates

By Mail: 445 Minnesota St. Suite 187, St. Paul, MN 55101

SECTION A PERSONALIZED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If yes, complete Sec. H) <input type="checkbox"/> No Is this for a motorcycle? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	VETERAN/ MILITARY PLATES (DD -214 required) <input type="checkbox"/> Afghanistan Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> Armed Forces Expeditionary Vet* <input type="checkbox"/> Combat Wounded Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-POW Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War Vet (Service medal only) <input type="checkbox"/> GWOT Veteran* select one <input type="checkbox"/> Expeditionary Medal <input type="checkbox"/> Service Medal <input type="checkbox"/> Iraq Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> Korean Defense Service Vet* <input type="checkbox"/> Korean Veteran*(service medal only) <input type="checkbox"/> Laos (Allied Vet)* <input type="checkbox"/> Pearl Harbor Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> "Proud To Be A Veteran"* <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Star Vet* <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Star Vet* <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> World War II Veteran* <input type="checkbox"/> Woman Vet* <input type="checkbox"/> National Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Ready Reserve	VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS (must provide membership card) <input type="checkbox"/> American Legion* <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled American Veterans* <input type="checkbox"/> VFW* SERVICE PLATES <input type="checkbox"/> Firefighter* <input type="checkbox"/> Retired Firefighter* <input type="checkbox"/> Retired Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Ambulance COLLECTOR <input type="checkbox"/> Collector <input type="checkbox"/> Classic <input type="checkbox"/> Classic Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneer <input type="checkbox"/> Street Rod	ASSIGNED PLATE # ASSIGNED STICKER # DEPUTY PAID STAMP
SPECIAL PLATES *Requires annual contribution fee. See page 4 <input type="checkbox"/> ARO/CB (Must submit a copy of FCC license) <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Habitat* select one <input type="checkbox"/> Anglers <input type="checkbox"/> Buck <input type="checkbox"/> Chickadee <input type="checkbox"/> Deer <input type="checkbox"/> Ladyslipper <input type="checkbox"/> Loon <input type="checkbox"/> Moose <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Pheasant <input type="checkbox"/> Pollinator <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Memorial Association <input type="checkbox"/> MN Golf* <input type="checkbox"/> Remembering Victims of Impaired Drivers* <input type="checkbox"/> *Start Seeing Motorcycles <input type="checkbox"/> State Parks and Trails <input type="checkbox"/> Support Our Troops* <input type="checkbox"/> Van Pool <input type="checkbox"/> Limousine			

SECTION B **Check one:** **NEW** **DUPLICATE** **TRANSFER**

SECTION C **INSURANCE:** Minn. Stat. § 169.798(4) Every owner, when applying for vehicle registration, re-registration, or transfer of ownership, must provide information showing that the vehicle is covered by an insurance policy. Required information consists of:

Company Name	Policy Number	Policy Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
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SECTION D Describe below the vehicle on which special plates will be used.

MAKE	YEAR	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	CURRENT PLATE #	CURRENT STICKER #	EXP. DATE
					MONTH YEAR

SECTION E When transferring special plates, describe below the vehicle on which the plates had been used.

MAKE	YEAR	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	SPECIAL PLATE #	EXP. DATE
				MONTH YEAR

SECTION F List the contact information for the applicant.

NAME OF APPLICANT	DRIVER'S LICENSE/ID NUMBER	DATE OF BIRTH
ADDITIONAL OWNER	DRIVER'S LICENSE/ID NUMBER	DATE OF BIRTH
STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE

SECTION G If special plates must be replaced, please check one reason below:
 Lost Destroyed Defective Never Received Stolen Damaged

SECTION H NOTICE: Personalized plates are limited to 7 characters except for motorcycles, 1-ton pick-up trucks, and RV's, which are limited to 6 characters (see instructions on back).

List 3 personalized plates in order of preference: (Or your ARO/CB call letters)

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

Explanation of choices:
NOTE: This MUST be completed or plates will not be issued.

REGISTRATION TAX
PLATE FEE
REPLACEMENT FEE
ARO/CB or PERSONALIZATION FEE
PLATE TRANSFER FEE
TECH FEE
CONTRIBUTION
STATE FILING FEE
TOTAL DUE

SECTION I**AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR / CB RADIO Minn. Stat. §168.12(2)**

The subscriber hereto applies for special amateur radio or citizens band plates for the passenger automobile described above and declares that he/she holds an official amateur radio or citizens band station license in good standing issued to him/her by the Federal Communications Commission.

ARO/CB Call Letters

Is this the first or second set of ARO plates ordered? 1st 2nd

Date Federal Station License was issued

SECTION J**VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE ATTENDANT VERIFICATION Minn. Stat. § 168.12(2e)**

(Volunteer Ambulance Attendant is defined by Minn. Stat. § 144E.001(15) *See Instructions*)

"I certify that I am an active member of the organization for volunteer ambulance attendants identified below. I will immediately notify the Department of Public Safety upon the termination of my membership in this department or organization."

Department/Organization

Signature

Date

SECTION K**FIREFIGHTER VERIFICATION Minn. Stat. § 168.12(2b)**

A letter of authorization signed by the Fire Department Chief must be attached to the application for Firefighter plate issuance.

"I certify that I am an active member of the fire department identified below. I will immediately notify the Department of Public Safety upon the termination of my membership in this department or organization."

Department/Organization

Signature

Date

SECTION L**RETIRED FIREFIGHTER / LAW ENFORCEMENT VERIFICATION Minn. Stat. § 168.12(2g)**

A letter of authorization signed by the Fire/Police Chief must be attached to the application for plate issuance.

"I certify that I was a member of the department identified below in good standing for at least 10 years and now retired"

Department/Organization

Signature

Date

SECTION M**CERTIFICATION OF EX-P.O.W. STATUS Minn. Stat. § 168.125**

I certify that the applicant was a member of the military forces of the United States who was captured, separated and incarcerated by an enemy of the United States during a period of armed conflict.

Commissioner of MN Veteran's Affairs

SECTION N**COLLECTOR / STREET ROD / CLASSIC MC**

Vehicle used for general transportation that is owned or leased and registered in the name of owner/applicant listed below.

List plate # of vehicle registered in Applicant's name, either owned or leased for general transportation. **PLATE #:** _____

The following vehicles have the option of displaying one or two license plates:

- 1972 and older vehicles that are used for general transportation.
- Vehicles registered in a collector class. *Use this form for Personalized Collector Class Plates.*

Please check the desired option:

One Plate **Two Plates**

SECTION O**TENNESSEN WARNING AND SIGNATURE**

What is the purpose of supplying the requested information?

The Department of Public Safety ("DPS") collects the information on this form for identification and record keeping purposes as required by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. § 13.04(2).

Am I required to provide the requested information?

You are not legally required to complete this form.

What will happen if I do not provide the requested information?

You can refuse, however, DPS may consider your application incomplete and not issue special plates.

Who will have access to the requested information?

DVS may disclose personal information when it relates to the operation or use of a vehicle or to public safety. The use of personal information relates to public safety if it concerns the physical safety or security of drivers, vehicles, pedestrians or property. The personal information you provide to apply for special plates is classified by U.S.C. § 2721 and the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. § 13.69 and is subject to the disclosure in accordance with these laws.

ATTESTION OF INSURANCE: Every owner, when applying for vehicle registration, re-registration, plates or transfer of ownership must attest that the vehicle is insured as required by Minnesota Statutes.

By signing this application you attest:

- That you have current vehicle insurance as required by Minnesota Statutes
- That proof of insurance will be carried in your vehicles at all times it is operated on public streets/roads/highways/freeways.
- That proof of insurance will be available on demand of Law Enforcement
- That proof of insurance will be available to any other vehicle owner involved with the vehicle in an accident.

I certify the special plates assigned to the described vehicle will be used only on that vehicle as long as it is in my possession. I will notify the department when the Special Plates are transferred to another vehicle.

X _____
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION

Please Read Thoroughly

Sections A, B, C, D, F, and O *must* be completed if applying for any category of special plates.

IN ADDITION, when:

- Transferring special plates, complete **Section E**.
- Replacing special plates, complete **Section G**.

When applying for:

- **Personalized** plates, complete **Section H**. A statement that adequately explains the meaning is required.
- **ARO/CB** plates, complete **Section I**.
- **Limousine** plates, a certificate of insurance is required. A limousine is an unmarked luxury passenger vehicle with a seating capacity of not more than 15 persons including the driver.
- **Volunteer Ambulance Attendant** plates, complete **Section J**.

NOTE: Minn.Stat. § 144E.01(15) **Volunteer ambulance attendant.**

"Volunteer ambulance attendant" means a person who provides emergency medical services for a Minnesota licensed ambulance service without the expectation of remuneration and who does not depend in any way upon the provision of these services for the person's livelihood. An individual may be considered a volunteer ambulance attendant even though the individual receives an hourly stipend for each hour of actual service provided, except for hours on standby alert, or other nominal fee, and even though the hourly stipend or other nominal fee is regarded as taxable income for purposes of state or federal law, provided that the hourly stipend and other nominal fees do not exceed \$6,000 annually.

- **Firefighter / Retired Firefighter (Sections K & L)** plates, an authorization letter from the fire chief is required.
- **Ex-POW** plates, **Section M** must be signed by the Minnesota Commissioner of Veteran Affairs.
- **Personalized Collector, Street Rod, or Classic Motorcycle** plates indicate the plate number of another vehicle owned or leased in your name and used for general transportation in **Section O**.

IMPORTANT: If applying for standard collector class plates or the use of original plates do not use this form: a PS2000 must be completed in lieu of the special plate application.

NEW PERSONALIZED PLATES

Personalized plates are special plates issued to the owner of a motor vehicle for use only on that vehicle. Plates must have at least one letter but not more than seven characters total (a character is an upper-case letter, space, hyphen, or number.); a personalized plate may not display all numbers. Motorcycle, Motorized Bicycle (Moped), pickup trucks registered by gross weight, and recreational vehicle plates are limited to six characters. A vertical Motorcycle plate is limited to 4 characters and may not utilize a hyphen. One space or hyphen may be placed between adjoining characters (will be counted as a character, a space cannot be the first character). A personalized plate that offends public morals or decency may not be issued. Personalized plates cannot duplicate other existing plates or any plates in a numbering system used or reserved by the Driver and Vehicle Services Division.

The characters 1 (one) and I (the letter "I") and Ø (naval zero), 0 (zero) and O (oh) are deemed to be the same and may not be duplicated to create new combinations (e.g. "TIM and "T1M" are the same).

TRANSFER OF PERSONALIZED PLATES

When you transfer (sell) a motor vehicle, you may leave the plates on the transferred (sold) vehicle. You will lose the rights to those plates and the buyer of that motor vehicle will assume the rights. Please submit a statement that the plates are to remain with the vehicle.

You may transfer the personalized plates to another motor vehicle registered in your name. You must complete another personalized plate application showing the description of the vehicle on which the personalized plates will be displayed. It is your responsibility to obtain regular plates for the motor vehicle on which the personalized plates were used.

If you are transferring the plates to a different class vehicle, (e.g., transfer from passenger class to gross weight class) new plates are required and must fit the number of characters allowed for that new plate type.

RETENTION OF YOUR PERSONALIZED PLATES (Minn. R. section 7403.0950)

If you wish to retain the privilege of your combination you must keep current registration on the vehicle that the plates are displayed on as stated in M.S.168.12, subd. 2a. If you fail to maintain registration, you may lose your rights to that combination.

If you do not have another vehicle to place your personalized plates on, you may submit a letter requesting an extension (not to exceed one year) of your rights to that combination or you may lose your rights to that combination. All correspondence must be submitted to the Division at the address listed on the front of this form.

*OTHER Special Plates

This line in **Section A** exists to accommodate any special plate that is not represented on the form but has been authorized.

TRANSFER OF SPECIAL PLATES (Excluding Personalized Plates)

If the vehicle on which the special plates are now being used is sold, complete this application if you wish to transfer the special plates to another vehicle. It is your responsibility to obtain regular plates for the vehicle on which the special plates were used. If the expiration month and year on your special plates do not agree with the regular plates submitted, the special plates must be adjusted.

LIMOUSINE and COMMUTER VANPOOL

"Limousine" means an unmarked luxury passenger automobile that is not a van or station wagon and has a seating capacity of not more than 12 persons, excluding the driver. Minn. R. 8880.0100.

Commuter vanpool means a prearranged ride-sharing arrangement in which seven to 16 persons travel together on a regular basis in a commuter van to and from their place of employment or to and from a transit stop authorized by a local transit authority.

CONTRIBUTION PLATES

Contribution fees are in addition to any plate fee and are not refundable.

ONE TIME CONTRIBUTION PLATES

- **“PROUD TO BE A VETERAN”**: A one-time minimum contribution of \$30 to benefit the WWII memorial fund is due with initial application. “Proud to be a Veteran” plate contribution is due only at the time of initial application.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION PLATES

Plate contributions are collected at the time of initial application, when transferred to a new vehicle and annually when registration is renewed. You may make an additional contribution by indicating the total amount in the space provided on application. Please check with your institution of choice regarding participation in the special plate program or online at dvs.dps.mn.gov

- **COLLEGIATE PLATES**: The minimum annual contribution is \$25.00. Indicate your design choice in space provided on page one.
- **CRITICAL HABITAT PLATES**: The minimum annual contribution is \$30.00. Indicate your design choice in space provided on page one.
- **LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION PLATES(LEMA)**: \$25.00 initial contribution and minimum annual contribution of \$5.00 used to support Law Enforcement Organizations.
- **MN GOLF PLATE**: The minimum annual contribution of \$30.00 is used to support youth golf in Minnesota.
- **START SEEING MOTORCYCLES PLATES**: The minimum annual contribution of \$15.00 is used to support motorcycle awareness and safety programs.
- **STATE PARKS AND TRAILS**: The minimum annual contribution of \$60.00 is used to support Minn. State Parks and Trails
- **“SUPPORT OUR TROOPS”**: The minimum annual contribution is \$30.00 used to support Veterans and Veteran Organizations.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR VETERAN PLATES

In order to prove eligibility, veteran applicants are required to present a copy of their separation papers (DD 214 or equivalent) at the time of application. State law requires that these discharges be certified (bearing a raised impression of a seal or a statement attesting to their authenticity). “Ex-POW” may have plates for one vehicle and must have certification from the commissioner of veterans’ affairs.

DATES OF SERVICE AND ELIGIBILITY

WORLD WAR II: Served between DECEMBER 7, 1941 & DECEMBER 31, 1946

KOREA: Served between JUNE 27, 1950 & JANUARY 31, 1955

VIETNAM: Served between JULY 1, 1961 & JUNE 30, 1978

GULF WAR: Awarded the Southwest Asia Medal or served from August 2, 1990 to November 30, 1995 during Operation Desert Storm, Desert Shield or any other military operation in the Persian Gulf area combat zone.

IRAQ: Honorably discharged recipient of the Iraq Campaign Medal

AFGHANISTAN: Recipient of the Afghanistan Campaign Medal

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM VETERAN (GWOT): Recipient of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal or the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. Please note which design is requested

LAOS (Allied Vet): Non-US Military who Served in the Laos War after July 1, 1961, and before July 1, 1978. Certification required

SILVER STAR / BRONZE STAR

Applicant must provide dd214 or other documentation to show they have been awarded the Corresponding Service Medal

COMBAT WOUNDED: Awarded the Purple Heart (May still be in active service)

“PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR”: Stationed on the island of Oahu or offshore on December 7, 1941 “Pearl Harbor Survivor” must have proof of eligibility for membership in a Pearl Harbor survivor’s organization.

EX-POW: Must be certified by commissioner of veteran affairs.

MEDAL OF HONOR: Awarded the Medal of Honor

WOMAN Veteran: Honorably discharged veteran from any branch of the armed services (available starting 01/01/2015)

“PROUD TO BE A VETERAN”: Honorably discharged from any branch of the armed services.

Ready Reserve: Member or retired member of the United States Armed Forces Ready Reserve

National Guard: Regularly enlisted, commissioned, or retired member of the Minnesota National Guard

VFW / American Legion / DAV: Applicant provides membership card

KOREAN DEFENSE SERVICE/ ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY: Applicant must provide dd214 or other documentation to show they have been awarded the Corresponding Service Medal

DISPOSAL OF PLATES: It is the responsibility of the applicant to properly dispose of any valid license plates assigned to the vehicle on which the special license plates will be displayed when the plates have been received. For your convenience, these plates may be returned to a deputy registrar for recycling.

NOTICE: All data collected on a motor vehicle application is required by law. All disability information is considered private by law.

FEES: When returning this application by mail, the required fees, including filing fee must be included.

If you have further questions, contact the Driver & Vehicle Services Division at (651) 297-3166.