

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. PERSONALIZED REGISTRATION PLATE

- Personalized registration plates may contain up to seven letters and numbers in combination.
- Motorcycle personalized registration plates may contain up to five letters or five letters and numbers in combination.
- Special characters are **NOT** available. **NOTE:** A hyphen or space is not recognized as part of the registration plate configuration and does not count as one of the letters or numbers.

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 are the same plate configurations.)

An extra box is provided if you wish to include a hyphen or space as part of your configuration. Only one hyphen or space is permitted but not both. If you do not wish to include a hyphen or space, **DO NOT USE THE EXTRA BOX.**

- Radio and television stations may be issued personalized registration plates containing the station call letters assigned by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).
- The Keystone does not appear on personalized registration plates.

2. AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR

- One plate will be issued with your FCC assigned call sign. If you desire a second amateur Radio Operator Plate, your FCC call sign plus a hyphen and the #2 will be issued. A copy of your Amateur Radio Station License must be attached.

3. PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER

- Issued to a person who is employed full time as a newspaper, newsreel, or television photographer or cameraman.
- The vehicle must be registered in the name of the press photographer or jointly by the press photographer and spouse.
- Only one set of press photographer plates will be issued to any applicant.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE

- PennDOT reserves the right to limit or reject certain requests.
- Personalized registration applicants must have a registration plate and valid sticker from the regular plate series, which the applicant shall retain pending receipt of requested personalized registration plate.
- Requests for personal registration plate are restricted to passenger vehicles and motorcycles, or truck/motor home vehicles with a registered gross weight of not more than **10,000 lbs.**
- Your telephone number will be held in confidence and used only in the event of a problem with your application.
- Separate applications must be filed for each special registration plate (Personal, Amateur Radio Operator, Press Photographer).
- The fee required with the application is \$20, and the registration on your vehicle must be current in order for us to process your request. **THE \$20 FEE COVERS THE COST OF YOUR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ORDER ONLY AND WILL NOT RENEW YOUR VEHICLE'S REGISTRATION.** If your registration has expired or expires in the next three months, please include your completed renewal application (MV-105) or Form MV-140, "Request for Registration" and a **separate check or money order in the amount of your registration renewal fee.** Payment is to be made by check or money order payable to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **DO NOT SEND CASH.**
- To check personalized license plate availability, visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services Web site, www.dmv.state.pa.us and select the Personalized (Vanity) License Plate Availability link from the list of services under the Online Driver and Vehicle Services heading. Personalized Registration plates will not be reserved until PennDOT receives payment and a completed application, and approves your requested license plate configuration [number(s) and/or letter(s)]. Please note that license plate requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis; although a requested license plate configuration may show as being available on the Web, it is possible that a request for the same license plate configuration may have already been submitted by another customer and may not be available when making application.
- To replace a defaced personalized plate, the defaced plate must be surrendered to PennDOT. The charge for a replacement registration plate is \$20. In addition, so that the vehicle may be legally operated pending receipt of the duplicated plate, application must be made for reissuance of a plate from the regular series on Form MV-44, for which there's a charge of \$7.50.
- If your personalized plate is lost or stolen, the combination of letters and numbers cannot be reproduced. For an additional \$20, a new plate containing a new combination of letters and numbers can be purchased. If you would like to order a new plate, please apply by completing this form. If an immediate replacement special registration plate is needed, you must also submit Form MV-44 and \$7.50. A standard plate will be issued until the special replacement registration plate can be provided.
- Personal registration plates will be manufactured on the basis of this application. **No refund** of fee will be issued when applicant cancels request after order is placed with the manufacturer.
- If a personalized registration plate has had no activity (such as renewal or a transfer) for a period of five years, the owner may re-activate the plate or PennDOT can re-issue that same configuration to an applicant other than the original plate owner. The requested configuration cannot be re-issued if it has been reported lost or stolen. No other personalized plates will be duplicated except when defaced.
- This application with check or money order should be mailed to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Special Tag Unit, P.O. Box 68293, Harrisburg, PA 17106-8293.
- Allow eight to 10 weeks for delivery.

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