

SPECIAL RECOGNITION LICENSE PLATE APPLICATION

☐ **ORIGINAL**

Complete Sections 1, 2, 5

☐ **REPLACEMENT**

Complete Sections 1, 2, 4, 5

☐ **REASSIGN, RETAIN, RELEASE**

Complete Sections 1, 3, 5

Special License Plates must be assigned to a vehicle currently registered in California. The department will not honor a change of choice, spacing or a request for refund after the reservation is made.

SECTION 1 — PLATE OWNER (Please print true full name of plate owner or purchaser)

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME
MAILING ADDRESS (STREET OR P. O. BOX)		CITY
		STATE
		ZIP CODE

SECTION 2 — PLATE SELECTION:

Will be assigned to: ☐ Auto ☐ Truck ☐ Trailer ☐ Motorcycle (Motorcycle plates are available in Amateur Radio License, Purple Heart, POW, or Antique Motorcycle. Gold Star Family and Firefighter Motorcycle: Decals are applied to a white plate.)

Plates to be placed on this vehicle, if known:

Documentation Required*

- ☐ Amateur Radio License _____
(PROVIDE CALL LETTERS)
- ☐ Legion of Valor _____
(TYPE OF MEDAL OR CROSS)
- ☐ Purple Heart Recipient
- ☐ Antique Motorcycle
- ☐ Gold Star Family
- ☐ Ex-Prisoner of War (POW) _____
(REQUESTED FOUR DIGITS)

☐ California Firefighter

For an Environmental License Plate (ELP) use boxes to the right.

ELP'S ARE SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

Indicate a half space by marking a "/" between the boxes where requested.

Indicate a full space by placing an "sp" in the box where you want the space.

*Attach Copy of Documentation. See reverse for explanation.

LICENSE PLATE NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)
California Firefighter Only First Choice _____ Meaning (Required)	Certification Required* <input type="checkbox"/> Pearl Harbor Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> Horseless Carriage <input type="checkbox"/> Press Photographer *Certify in Sections B, C, or E. See reverse for explanation.
Second Choice _____ Meaning (Required)	Documentation AND Certification Required* <input type="checkbox"/> Congressional Medal of Honor <input type="checkbox"/> Honorary Consul <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> California Firefighter (Surviving Family Member) *Attach Copy of Documentation. Certify in Sections A, D, E or F. See reverse for explanation.
Third Choice _____ Meaning (Required)	

A. CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT CERTIFICATION

I certify that I am a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient. This vehicle is the only vehicle for which the exemption is requested; it will not be used for transportation for hire, compensation, or profit.

SIGNATURE X	DATE
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B. PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR CERTIFICATION

The applicant was a member of the United States Armed Forces and stationed at Pearl Harbor, the island of Oahu, or offshore within a distance of three miles, on December 7, 1941, during the hours of 7:55 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., Hawaii time; and received an honorable discharge from military service. Signature of an authorized employee of the California Veterans Service Office (CVSO) is required.

AUTHORIZED CVSO EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE X	TITLE	DATE	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER ()
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C. PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER CERTIFICATION — MUST BE SIGNED BY EMPLOYER

The applicant is regularly employed or engaged as a press photographer or camera person for a:

- ☐ Newspaper ☐ News Magazine ☐ News Gathering ☐ Newsreel Company ☐ Television Company

EMPLOYER'S SIGNATURE X	TITLE	DATE	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER ()
NAME OF COMPANY			

STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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D. HONORARY CONSUL CERTIFICATION

I certify that I am a citizen and/or permanent resident of the United States appointed as an honorary consul or similar official by the country listed below for the purpose of facilitating and promoting the interest of that country. I understand that these may be placed only on a vehicle owned or leased by me, and that this application is subject to review and approval by an authorized Department of Motor Vehicles employee.

SIGNATURE X	NAME OF FOREIGN COUNTRY REPRESENTED	DATE
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E. HISTORICAL VEHICLE AND HORSELESS CARRIAGE CERTIFICATION

Historical Vehicle License Plates

I certify that I understand these plates may only be placed on a motor vehicle manufactured after 1922, which is at least 25 years old and is of historic interest. I also certify that I understand that the vehicle for which these plates are issued is primarily driven in historical exhibitions, parades, or historic club activities.

SIGNATURE X	DATE
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Horseless Carriage License Plates

I certify that I understand these plates may only be placed on a motor vehicle manufactured in 1922 or prior, or manufactured with 16 or more cylinders before 1965. I also certify that I understand that the vehicle for which these plates are issued is primarily driven in historical exhibitions, parades, or historic club activities.

SIGNATURE X	DATE
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SUBMIT ORDER AND FEES TO: DMV, SPU – MS D238, P.O. BOX 932345, SACRAMENTO, CA 94232-3450

SECTION 2 — PLATE SELECTION: (Continued)**F. CALIFORNIA FIREFIGHTER (Surviving Family Member)**

I certify that I am a surviving family member (spouse, domestic partner, adopted child, stepchild, recognized natural child) of a deceased firefighter, retired firefighter, or volunteer firefighter. **NOTE:** Former spouse does not qualify.

SIGNATURE X	RELATIONSHIP	DATE
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SECTION 3 — REASSIGNMENT (Antique Motorcycle, Historical Vehicle, Horseless Carriage Plates cannot be reassigned or retained)

SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE/DISABLED PERSON LICENSE PLATE NUMBER	WERE REMOVED FROM (VIN)
PLACED ON (CURRENT LICENSE PLATE)	WITH (VIN)

RETAIN INTEREST <input type="checkbox"/> Retain for future use (Annual Fee Required for Honorary Consul) <input type="checkbox"/> Fee enclosed	RELEASE INTEREST <input type="checkbox"/> Release
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SECTION 4 — REPLACEMENT ONLY (To replace disabled person license plates, use form REG 156)

I NEED: <input type="checkbox"/> One Plate <input type="checkbox"/> Two Plates	PLATE(S) WERE: <input type="checkbox"/> Lost/Stolen <input type="checkbox"/> Mutilated <input type="checkbox"/> Surrendered
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SECTION 5 — SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR ALL APPLICANTS

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct.

SIGNATURE X	DATE	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER ()
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SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE REQUIREMENTS

Fees can be located at https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffvr11

Amateur Radio Station	Issued to a person licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). A copy of the valid FCC license must accompany the application. The plate configuration will be the call letters. Licensee may obtain only one set of plates.
Antique Motorcycle	Issued to a motorcycle manufactured in 1942 or before. A copy of the vehicle registration, manufacturer's Certificate of Origin, or other documentation acceptable to the department indicating the manufacture date of the motorcycle must accompany the application.
California Firefighter and California Firefighter (Surviving Family Member)	Issued to a vehicle owned by a firefighter, retired firefighter, or volunteer firefighter or to a surviving family member (spouse, domestic partner, adopted child, stepchild, or recognized natural child, former spouse does not qualify) of a deceased firefighter, retired firefighter, or volunteer firefighter. Documentation submitted must be presented and verified as proof of eligibility. Acceptable proof of eligibility are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Department identification (ID) • International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) membership card • California Professional Firefighters Callback Association membership card
Congressional Medal of Honor	Recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor receives plates at no additional cost. Certification on the application must be completed. A copy of the service record, or a copy of the letter which was given to the recipient awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, must accompany the application.
Ex-Prisoner of War (POW)	Issued to a vehicle owned by an applicable person held prisoner of war by forces hostile to the United States during a period of conflict. Documentation submitted must be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A letter of verification from the National Personnel Records Center • An official document marked former American POW • Discharge papers declaring the bearer to be a former American POW
Gold Star Family	Issued to family members of an active duty member of the Armed Forces killed in the line of duty; "Family Members" as defined in Section 5156 of the California Vehicle Code. The Report of Casualty (DD 1300) form from the Department of Defense, and the Project: Gold Star License Plate Application (VSD 5-1918) from the California Department of Veterans Affairs must accompany the application.
Historical Vehicle	Issued to a motor vehicle manufactured after 1922, which is at least 25 years old and of historic interest. Vehicle is primarily driven in historical exhibitions, parades, or historic vehicle club activities. For commercial vehicles only: The Certificate of Title must be submitted with the application.
Honorary Consul	Issued to a vehicle owned or leased by an honorary consular officer. A photo copy of the Consular Identification Card issued by the US Department of State denoting the applicant's Honorary Consular status is required.
Horseless Carriage	Issued to a motor vehicle manufactured in 1922 or prior, or manufactured with 16 or more cylinders before 1965. Vehicle is primarily driven in historical exhibitions, parades, or historic vehicle club activities.
Legion of Valor	Issued to a vehicle, except motorcycles, owned by an Army, Navy, or Air Force Medal of Honor, or an Army Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, or Air Force Cross recipient. A copy of the service record or Department of Defense Form 214 must accompany application.
Pearl Harbor Survivor	Issued to a vehicle, except motorcycles, owned by a member of the US Armed Forces stationed at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, with an honorable discharge from military service. Certification by an authorized employee of the California Veterans Service Office is required.
Press Photographer	One set of plates issued to a vehicle owned by anyone regularly employed or engaged as a newspaper, newsreel, or television photographer. Certification by employer must be completed on the application.
Purple Heart	Issued to a vehicle owned by a Purple Heart recipient. Copy of orders, service record, or discharge papers reflecting the Purple Heart Award is required with application.

NOTE: All fees and procedures for original and renewal issuance are in addition to regular registration fees pursuant to Vehicle Code Section 4000.