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APPLICATION FOR PERSONALIZED, AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR OR PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER REGISTRATION PLATE

For Department Use Only

Bureau of Motor Vehicles • PO Box 68293 • Harrisburg, PA 17106-8293

CHECK BLOCK FOR TYPE OF PLATE DESIRED:

- ☐ **Personal Registration Plate** - Complete Sections A, B and E. **Fee: \$76**
- ☐ **Amateur Radio Operator Registration Plate** - Complete Sections A, C and E. **Fee: \$11**
- ☐ **Press Photographer Registration Plate** - Complete Sections A, B (if applicable), D and E **Fee: \$11** (An additional \$100 fee for personalization.)

A APPLICANT AND VEHICLE INFORMATION (LIST INFORMATION CURRENTLY SHOWN ON TITLE OR REGISTRATION CARD)				
Last Name (or Full Business Name)	First Name	Middle Name	PA DL/Photo ID# or Bus. ID#	Date of Birth
Co-Owner Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	PA DL/Photo ID#	Date of Birth
Street Address				
City	State	Zip Code	Daytime Telephone Number	
Vehicle Identification Number		Title Number	Home _____ Office _____	
Make of Vehicle	Registration Plate Number		Expiration Date	
NOTE: In conjunction with replacement of your plate, you will receive one registration card. If additional registration cards are desired, the fee is \$2 for each card. Number of Duplicate Registration Cards Requested @ \$2 each _____.				
B PERSONALIZED REGISTRATION PLATE INFORMATION				
The number of allotted letter or numbers in combination varies depending on the selected registration plate type. Please see the reverse side of this application for additional instructions regarding the allotted spaces. No other special characters are available. Please print clearly.				
FIRST CHOICE		SECOND CHOICE		THIRD CHOICE
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EXAMPLES . . . <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">B U L L - D O G</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">W E L Ø V E U</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">S P A C E</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">C R E 8 I V E</div> </div>				
NOTE: When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "Ø" instead of the alpha character "O."				
C AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR REGISTRATION PLATE INFORMATION				
I am the holder of a valid Amateur Radio Station License (copy must be attached) issued by the Federal Communication Commission dated _____ and have been assigned call letters _____.				
D PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER REGISTRATION PLATE INFORMATION				
I certify that I am employed full time by _____ <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;">NAME OF FIRM</div>				
_____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> STREET ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE </div>				
as a newspaper, newsreel or television news photographer. The motor vehicle for which the Press Photographer registration plates are requested will be used in pursuit of my regular employment in covering news events.				
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">(THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYER)</div>				
I certify that _____ is employed as a newspaper, newsreel, or television news photographer.				
_____ SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYER		_____ PRINTED NAME OF EMPLOYER		_____ DATE
E APPLICANT(S) SIGNATURE				
I/We certify that all information given on this application is TRUE and CORRECT.				
_____ SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED SIGNER		_____ SIGNATURE OF CO-OWNER		_____ DATE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. PERSONALIZED REGISTRATION PLATE

- Standard 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.
- 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. 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. NOTE:** No additional special characters are available.
- When requesting a numeric character of zero, please list as "0" instead of the alpha character of "O".
- Radio and television stations may be issued personalized registration plates containing the station call letters assigned by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).
- The Keystone logo 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. No other personalization is available.
- Fee is \$11.

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 a co-owner.
- Only one set of press photographer plates will be issued to any applicant.
- Fee is \$11. **NOTE:** An additional \$100 fee is due if requesting personalization of the Press Photographer registration plate.
- Press Photographer personalized registration plates may contain up to **THREE** letters and numbers in combination. **Only one hyphen or space is permitted as part of the available spaces for personalization. NOTE:** Shaded, stacked boxes are pre-printed characters specific to this registration plate and cannot be changed.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION

- PennDOT reserves the right to limit or reject certain requests.
- Personalized registration applicants must have a valid registration plate which the applicant shall retain pending receipt of the requested personalized registration plate.
- Requests for personal registration plates are restricted to passenger vehicles, motorcycles, trailers, motor homes, or trucks with a registered gross weight of not more than **14,000 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).
- Registration on your vehicle must be current in order for PennDOT to process your request. **The fee covers the cost of your personalized 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 Form MV-105, "Pennsylvania Registration Renewal Application," 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. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.**
- To check personalized registration plate availability, visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services website, www.dmv.state.pa.us and select the Personalized Registration 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 registration plate configuration [number(s) and/or letter(s)]. Please note that registration plate requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Although a requested registration plate configuration may show as being available on the website, it is possible that a request for the same registration plate configuration may have already been submitted by another customer and may not be available when your application is processed.
- To replace a defaced personalized plate that is **NOT** destroyed (cut, burned or defaced beyond recognition), you must submit Form MV-904 indicating a replacement registration plate containing the same combination of letters and numbers is being requested along with a picture or tracing of the registration plate for identification purposes. The old plate can continue to be used until the replacement registration plate is received. The charge for the replacement will be \$76 for a personalized plate or \$111 for an Amateur Radio Operator plate or a Press Photographer plate. If an immediate replacement registration plate is needed, you must also submit Form MV-44, "Application for Duplicate Registration Card, Replacement of Registration Plate, Renewal Sticker or Weight Class Sticker," and an \$11 replacement fee. A standard plate will be issued until the replacement registration plate can be provided.
- If your personalized registration plate is lost or stolen, the combination of letters and numbers cannot be reproduced. You need to apply for a new registration plate containing a new combination of letters and numbers. If you would like to order a new registration plate, please apply by completing this form. If an immediate replacement special registration plate is needed, you must also submit Form MV-44 and an \$11 replacement fee. A standard registration plate will be issued until the special replacement registration plate can be provided.
- Personalized registration plates will be manufactured on the basis of this application. **NO REFUND** of the fee will be issued when an applicant cancels a request after the 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: 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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