



- To renew your vehicle's registration in conjunction with this application, you must complete and attach your vehicle renewal application or [Form MV-140, "Request for Registration,"](#) and a check or money order made payable to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the appropriate registration renewal fee in addition to the appropriate registration plate fee.
- To replace a lost, stolen or defaced registration plate that is damaged, but not beyond recognition, complete and submit [MV-44, "Application for Duplicate Registration Card or Replacement of Lost, Stolen or Defaced Registration Plate,"](#) along with a photograph or tracing of the registration plate for identification purposes. A registration plate is considered to be defaced when the registration plate is damaged by a specific incident such as a traffic accident, cutting, scraping or damaged caused by intense cleaning or harmful chemicals. There is a fee of \$13 to replace a lost, stolen or defaced standard issue or specialty registration plate. If your defaced registration plate is a personalized registration plate, it will be replaced with the same configuration as before at no cost. Personalized registration plates that are lost or stolen are not able to be replaced with the same configuration. If your personalized registration plate was lost or stolen, we will replace it with the same style of registration plate, however, customers will be required to select a new configuration. The registration plate will be produced with the new configuration if it is available. Please make sure to indicate that you are replacing a personalized registration plate on the front of the [MV-44](#). If an immediate replacement registration plate is needed while waiting for your replacement personalized registration plate, please complete and submit a second [Form MV-44](#), and the replacement registration plate fee. A standard issue registration plate will be issued until the replacement personalized, lost or stolen registration plate can be provided. **NOTE:** The replacement personalized registration plate will take approximately 6-8 weeks to receive in the mail from the time PennDOT receives and processes the application. **NOTE:** The replacement standard issue registration plate will take 7-10 business days to receive in the mail from the time PennDOT receives and processes the application.
- To apply for a **free registration plate**, due to current plate being illegible, the vehicle owner should visit our website at [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) and take [Form MV-46, "Application to Replace an Illegible Registration Plate,"](#) to any official Pennsylvania inspection station for verification that their registration plate is illegible OR have a law enforcement official verify the need for a replacement registration plate on [Form MV-46](#). The vehicle owner is then responsible for signing and returning the completed [Form MV-46](#) to PennDOT in order to receive a replacement registration plate free of charge. Your registration plate will be replaced with the next registration plate in the series and with the same style of registration plate you are replacing. If your registration plate is currently personalized, PennDOT will replace it with the same style and configuration as the registration plate you are replacing. If replacing your personalized registration plate, please attach a photograph or tracing of the registration plate for identification purposes. **If an immediate replacement registration plate is needed while waiting for your illegible personalized registration plate, please complete and submit [Form MV-44, "Application for Duplicate Registration Card or Replacement of Lost, Stolen or Defaced Registration Plate,"](#) and the replacement registration plate fee. A standard issue registration plate will be issued until the replacement personalized registration plate can be provided. NOTE:** The replacement registration plate will take approximately 6-8 weeks to receive in the mail from the time PennDOT receives and processes the application. **NOTE:** The replacement registration plate will take approximately 7-10 business days to receive in the mail from the time PennDOT receives and processes the application. Please allow 8-10 weeks for delivery of personalized plates.
- To apply for a never received product, the vehicle owner should visit our website at [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) and complete [Form MV-50, "Application for Replacement of a Never Received Product."](#) By law, customers are entitled to a free reissuance of a product they never received if an application for a never received product is submitted within 90 days of the original issuance date. If a customer submits the application outside of the 90 days, the customer must submit \$7 for each never received registration card requested and \$13 for each never received registration plate requested, along with the application.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. A **Korean War Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," or one of the following, which indicates the applicant served in Korea anytime during the period of June 27, 1950, through Jan. 31, 1955:
  - ◆ A copy of the Korean Service Medal Award.
  - ◆ Statement of Service in Korea during the period of time listed above from the St. Louis, Missouri, Records Center at: Department of Army, National Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63132.
2. A **Persian Gulf War Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," or one of the following, which indicates service in the Southwest Asia Theater of Operations between August 2, 1990 to the present:
  - ◆ A copy of the citation for the Southwest Asia Service Medal awarded between Aug. 2, 1990, through Nov. 30, 1995, or,
  - ◆ A copy of the citation for the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal awarded between Dec. 1, 1995, to the present or, when the applicant is currently on active duty, a statement of service from the applicant's commanding officer verifying duty in the Southwest Asia Theater.
3. A **U.S. Air Force Veteran, U.S. Army Veteran, U.S. Coast Guard Veteran, U.S. Marine Corps Veteran and U.S. Navy Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces, or DD256 "Honorable Discharge Certificate," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2S(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)."
4. A **Vietnam War Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates one of the following medals was awarded:
  - ◆ A copy of the citation for the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal if applicant served in Vietnam between July 1, 1958, to July 3, 1965, or,
  - ◆ A copy of the citation for the Vietnam Service Medal if applicant served in Vietnam between July 3, 1965, through March 28, 1973.
5. A **Veteran or a Veteran Motorcycle** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)," or DD256 "Honorable Discharge Certificate," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2S(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces of the U.S. or a Reserve component of the Armed Forces. **NOTE:** National Guard Reservists will need to submit Form NGB22, "Report of Separation and Record of Service," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2(RES), "Armed Forces of the United States Geneva Conventions Identification Card (Reserve)," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2S(RESRET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Reserve Retired)."

6. A **World War II Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates service anytime during the period of Dec. 7, 1941, through Dec. 31, 1946.
7. A **U.S. Merchant Marine Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates service as a Merchant Marine anytime during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam Conflict, or any of the Gulf Wars, including Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Desert Shield.
8. An **Afghanistan and Iraq Veteran** registration plate applicant must submit a legible copy photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," indicating the applicant served in both the Afghanistan and Iraq theaters of conflict.

## IF PERSONALIZING YOUR REGISTRATION PLATE

- Personalized U.S. Military Veteran registration plates may contain:



For **Persian Gulf War Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**PG**" will precede your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Air Force Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**AF**" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Army Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**AR**" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Coast Guard Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**CG**" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Marine Corps Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**MC**" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Navy Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "/." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "**NA**" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.





For **Vietnam War Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "VW" will precede your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "US" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **Veteran Motorcycle** registration plates up to **FOUR** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "V" will precede your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **U.S. Merchant Marine Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "MM" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.



For **Afghanistan and Iraq Veteran** registration plates up to **FIVE** letters and/or numbers in combination. If a hyphen or space is used as part of the registration configuration, it counts as one of the available spaces for personalization. Only one hyphen or space is permitted, but not both. No additional special characters are available. Please use capital letters and print clearly. When requesting a numeric character of zero, please show as "0" instead of the alpha character "O." Since this is an electronically fillable form, after printing the form, please be sure any zero is marked with a "." **NOTE:** A pre-printed letter configuration of "IA" will follow your personalized configuration on your registration plate and cannot be changed.

- PennDOT reserves the right to limit or reject requests.
- The Korean War Veteran and the World War II Veteran registration plates cannot be personalized at this time.
- The fee to personalize your registration plate is an additional \$128, and the registration on your vehicle must be current in order for PennDOT to process your request. The additional 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.
- For a complete listing of motor vehicle fees, refer to [Form MV-70S, "Bureau of Motor Vehicles Schedule of Fees,"](#) found on our website at [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) or scan the QR code on the front of this application.
- To check personalized registration plate availability, visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services website, [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov), and select Plate Availability from the list of services under the Online 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 making application.
- 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.
- Allow 8 to 10 weeks for delivery.

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