

Motor Vehicle Procedure Manual
Registration
Military Service-Related License Plates And Military Exemptions

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Legal Authority

This procedure is governed by:

[Section 1.01\(14\), Florida Statutes](#), definitions.

[Section 20.375\(3\), Florida Statutes](#), Department of Veterans Affairs, Trust Funds.

[Section 296.38\(2\), Florida Statutes](#), Veterans’ homes.

[Section 320.084, Florida Statutes](#), free motor vehicle license plate to certain disabled veterans.

[Section 320.0842, Florida Statutes](#), free motor vehicle license plates to veterans who use wheelchairs.

[Section 320.0845, Florida Statutes](#), license plates for members of Paralyzed Veterans of America.

[Section 320.0846, Florida Statutes](#), free motor vehicle license plates to active members of the Florida National Guard.

[Section 320.086, Florida Statutes](#), license plates for former military vehicles.

[Section 320.0875](#), Florida Statutes, Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate, (1) Upon application to the department and payment of the license tax for the motorcycle as provided in [S. 320.08](#), a resident of the state who owns or leases a motorcycle that is not used for hire or commercial use shall be issued a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate if he or she provides documentation acceptable to the department that he or she is a recipient of the Purple Heart medal.

[Section 320.089, Florida Statutes](#), license plates for Members of National Guard and active United States Armed Forces reservists; former prisoners of war; survivors of Pearl Harbor; Purple Heart medal recipients; Bronze Star recipients, Combat Infantry, Medical or Action Badge recipients; Combat Action Ribbon and Air Force Combat Action Medal recipients; Distinguished Flying Cross recipients; Korean War Veterans, Vietnam War Veterans; Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm Veterans; Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans; Women Veterans; World War II Veterans and Navy Submariners; special license plates; Fee

[Section 320.0891, Florida Statutes](#), U.S. Paratroopers license plate.

[Section 320.0892, Florida Statutes](#), motor vehicle license plates for recipients of the Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, or Air Force Cross.

[Section 320.0893, Florida Statutes](#), motor vehicle license plates to recipients of the Medal of Honor.

[Section 320.0894, Florida Statutes](#), motor vehicle license plates to Gold Star family members.

Description and Use

This procedure provides information and instructions to guide employees of the Tax Collector, License Plate Agent, and The Florida Department Of Highway Safety And Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) in issuing military service-related license plates.

Documentation And Special Instructions

The procedures listed below are used in the transactions described in this procedure:

[Procedure RS-36](#) Insurance Verification

[Procedure RS-17](#) Disabled Veteran License Plates

Forms

The forms listed below are used in the transactions described in this procedure:

Form [HSMV 83034](#) Application for Military Service-Related License Plates

Form [HSMV 83030](#) Application for US Reserve or Florida National Guard License Plate

Form [HSMV 83146](#) Request for Division of Motor Vehicle/Vessel Forms

Fee Charts

The fee charts listed below are used in the transactions described in this procedure:

[Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#)

Military License Plates

[Sections 320.089](#) , [320.0891](#), [320.0892](#), [320.0893](#), and [320.0894 Florida Statutes](#), provide for the likeness of the related campaign or service medal to be stamped on the following special military license plates:

- A. Ex-Prisoner of War:
 - 1. Exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(2\)\(a\) Florida Statutes](#)
 - 2. Non-exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(2\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- B. Medal of Honor Recipient - [Section 320.0893 Florida Statutes](#)
- C. Florida National Guard Member:
 - 1. Exempt from fee - [Section 320.0846 Florida Statutes](#)
 - 2. Non-exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) Florida Statutes](#)
- D. Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran - [Section 320.089\(6\) Florida Statutes](#)
- E. Operation Iraqi Freedom Veteran - [Section 320.089\(6\) Florida Statutes](#)
- F. Pearl Harbor Survivor:
 - 1. Exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(c\) Florida Statutes](#)
 - 2. Non-exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- G. Purple Heart Recipient:
 - 1. Exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(c\) Florida Statutes](#)
 - 2. Non-exempt from fee - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- H. U.S. Armed Forces Reservist - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)

Beginning with fiscal year 2002-2003 and annually thereafter, the first \$100,000 in general revenue from the sale of license plates issued under this section shall be deposited into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund described in [Section 296.38\(2\) Florida Statutes](#). Any additional general revenue generated from the sale of such plates, up to \$100,000, shall be deposited into the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund with the Department of Veterans Affairs and used solely to construct, operate, and maintain domiciliary and nursing homes for veterans, subject to the requirements of [Chapter 216 Florida Statutes](#).

- I. U.S. Paratrooper - [Section 320.0891 Florida Statutes](#)
The department shall retain all annual use fee revenues from the sale of the U.S. Paratroopers license plates until all startup costs for developing and issuing of the license plates are recovered, not to exceed \$60,000. Thereafter, the annual use fee revenues shall be distributed to the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs.
- J. Gold Star Recipient - [Section 320.0894 Florida Statutes](#)
- K. Combat Infantry Badge Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- L. Combat Medical Badge Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- M. Combat Action Badge Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- N. Vietnam War Veteran - [Section 320.089\(5\) Florida Statutes](#)
- O. Korean War Veteran - [Section 320.089\(4\) Florida Statutes](#)
- P. Silver Star Recipient - [Section 320.0892\(1\) Florida Statutes](#)
- Q. Distinguished Service Cross Recipient - [Section 320.0892\(2\) Florida Statutes](#)
- R. Navy Cross Recipient - [Section 320.0892\(3\) Florida Statutes](#)
- S. Air Force Cross Recipient - [Section 320.0892\(4\) Florida Statutes](#)
- T. Operation Desert Shield Veteran - [Section 320.089\(6\) Florida Statutes](#)
- U. Operation Desert Storm Veteran - [Section 320.089\(6\) Florida Statutes](#)
- V. Veterans of the United States Armed Forces - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- W. Combat Action Ribbon Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- X. Air Force Combat Action Medal Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- Y. Distinguished Flying Cross Recipient - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)
- Z. Woman Veteran - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(c\), Florida Statutes and motorcycle license plate, 320.089\(1\)\(b\)](#)
Any revenue generated from the sale of Woman Veteran license plates must be deposited into the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, pursuant to [Section 20.375\(3\) Florida Statutes](#), and must be used solely for the purpose of creating and implementing programs to benefit women veterans.
- AA. World War II Veteran - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) Florida Statutes](#)
- BB. Navy Submariner - [Section 320.089\(1\)\(a\) and \(1\)\(b\) Florida Statutes](#)

[Section 320.091 Florida Statutes](#), states that any trust which provides the beneficial use of a vehicle registered to the trust to a person otherwise qualified for a special license plate, pursuant to [Section 320.0807 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.083 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.084 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.0842 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.0843 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.0845 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.086 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.0863 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.089 Florida Statutes](#), [Section 320.0893 Florida Statutes](#), and [Section 320.0898 Florida Statutes](#), may purchase the special license plate for the vehicle used by the qualified individual.

CC. Purple Heart motorcycle license plate – [Section 320.0875 Florida Statutes](#)

DD. Bronze Star – [Section 320.089 Florida Statutes](#)

EE. The Army of Occupation- Section 320.08(9)(c) or (d)

Application Requirements

Most military service-related license plates can be purchased in any county license plate agency. An application for the following plates may ONLY be submitted to FLHSMV: Medal of Honor, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross and World War II Veteran. Submit requests for these license plates to:

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
Attention – Direct Mail
2900 Apalachee Pkwy, MS-72
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0620

A. Veterans of the United States Armed Forces, the Florida National Guard (active or retired), United States Armed Forces Reservist (active or retired), Pearl Harbor Survivor, former prisoner of war (Ex-POW), Purple Heart, Bronze Star, U.S. Paratrooper, Medal of Honor, Gold Star, Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, Air Force Combat Action Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, Woman Veteran, World War II Veteran, Navy Submariner, Vietnam War Veteran, Korean War Veteran, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, Operation Desert Shield Veteran, Operation Desert Storm Veteran, Operation Iraqi Freedom Veteran, and Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plates are issued for the following types of vehicles:

1. An automobile or truck (private or lease)
2. A truck for private use (weighing 7,999 lbs. or less)
3. A recreational vehicle (motor home or truck camper, which is not "for hire" or "commercial" use).

B. The customer must submit proof of a Florida certificate of title in his/her name as owner or co-owner or apply for a Florida title.

C. If the vehicle is leased, a copy of the lease agreement is required.

All military service-related license plates are eligible for owned or leased vehicles. The leased vehicle may be in the leasing company's name, but the registrant can obtain the military license plate for the vehicle he/she is leasing. The customer may also become the "registrant" on a vehicle titled in the name of a trust if the customer provides an affidavit that he/she has the beneficial use of the vehicle. The customer must apply for an original license plate (Florida National Guard, Purple Heart, etc.), if he/she does not have an existing license plate to transfer.

D. A completed [HSMV 83034, Application for Military Service-Related License Plates.](#)

If applying for the U.S. Armed Forces Reserve license plate or the Florida National Guard license plate exemption, the customer must complete Form [HSMV 83030, Application for U.S. Reserve or Florida National Guard License Plate.](#)

A retired National Guard or retired United States Armed Forces Reserve customer must submit proof of retirement, such as a DD214 form, etc.

An active National Guard member seeking the National Guard exemption, must present a valid Common Access Card and a signature on form or a signed statement by the first sergeant or commanding officer on form [HSMV 83030, Application for U.S. Reserve or Florida National Guard License Plate.](#)

Any owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who resides in this state and is an active member of the Florida National Guard may, upon application and proof of eligibility, be issued one standard license plate without payment of the license tax.

E. The following proof of eligibility documentation is required for the customer applying for a military service-related license plate:

1. Veterans of the United States Armed Forces or Armed Forces Reserve:

Proof from the customer of release or discharge from any branch of the U.S. Armed Forces or U.S. Armed Forces Reserve.

2. Ex-Prisoner of War:

A citizen of the United States who served as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the armed forces of a nation allied with the United States who was a prisoner of war when the Armed Forces of the United States were engaged in combat, or his or her unremarried surviving spouse, may be issued the special license plate without payment of the license tax.

Documentary proof from the customer provided by the U.S. Government that they are an ex-prisoner of war.

a. For the non-exempt license plate, proof does not have to indicate that the customer is a U.S. citizen.

- b. To exempt the fee, the proof must state they are a citizen of the U.S. who served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, U.S. Armed Forces Reserve, or the Armed Forces of an allied nation, and were held as a prisoner of war at the time when the Armed Forces of the U.S. were engaged in combat.

When the unremarried surviving spouse of the ex-prisoner of war is requesting the license plate, the license plate fees are the same as fees assessed for the ex-prisoner of war. A copy of the death certificate for the deceased ex-prisoner of war must be provided along with an affidavit stating the customer is the unremarried surviving spouse.

3. Pearl Harbor Survivor:

A registrant for a Pearl Harbor Survivor license plate who qualifies for a disabled veteran's license plate under [Section 320.084 Florida Statutes](#), shall be issued the special license plate without payment of the license tax.

Proof from the customer of membership in the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association or proof of active military duty in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

If the customer qualifies for the exemption, the proof must be a valid identification card issued by the Department of Veterans' Affairs in accordance with [Section 295.17, Florida Statutes](#), or a "Summary of Benefits" letter issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs stating the veteran has a service-connected disability rating of 100%. See Exhibits A and B in [Procedure RS-17](#).

Only One Pearl Harbor Survivor license plate may be issued to a registrant using the fee exemption.

4. Medal of Honor Recipient:

Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was awarded the Medal of Honor.

5. Purple Heart Recipient:

A registrant for a Purple Heart license plate who also qualifies for a disabled veteran's license plate under [Section 320.084, Florida Statutes](#), shall be issued the special license plate without payment of the license tax.

Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was a recipient of the Purple Heart.

When the unremarried surviving spouse of the Purple Heart recipient is requesting the license plate, license plate fees are the same as fees assessed for the Purple Heart recipient. A copy of the death certificate for the deceased must be provided along with an affidavit stating the customer is the unremarried surviving spouse.

If the customer qualifies for the exemption, the proof must be a letter or card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, or the Veterans Administration Office in St. Petersburg, Florida, or another city and state, stating the veteran has a service-connected disability evaluated at 100%. See Exhibits A, B, and C in [Procedure RS-17](#).

Only One Purple Heart license plate may be issued to a registrant at the reduced fee.

6. U.S. Paratrooper:
Proof that the customer has been decorated as a parachutist or has completed the U.S. Army Jump School. These plates are issued only to current or former United States military personnel who, as part of their military duty, have been trained to jump from flying aircraft.
7. Operation Iraqi Freedom Veteran:
Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was deployed and served in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Proof that the customer was awarded the Iraq Campaign Medal or Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal is enough to establish eligibility for this plate.
8. Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran:
Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was deployed and served in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. Proof that the customer was awarded the Afghanistan Campaign Medal or Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal is enough to establish eligibility for this plate.
9. Gold Star Recipient:
Proof that the service member was killed while serving in the Armed Forces. Proof of death while serving must come from the U.S. Department of Defense or its subordinate agencies.

An owner of a motor vehicle, whose spouse or child (the parent must be the legal mother or father of the service member) died while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States may, upon application and proof of eligibility, be issued three Gold Star license plates without charge, per household. This includes renewals.

Additionally, a parent through adoption, foster parent, grandparent, child, stepchild, adopted child, brother, sister, half-brother, or half-sister of the fallen service member may be issued a Gold Star license plate upon application, proof of eligibility, payment of the necessary registration fees, and an affidavit stating their relationship to the recipient of the Gold Star.
10. Combat Infantry Badge Recipient:
Proof of the customer's membership in the Combat Infantrymen's Association, Inc., proof of being a recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge, which may be in the form of a DD214 or Army orders or a Combat Infantrymen's Association (CIA) membership card may be used as eligibility for this plate.

If the CIA ID on a card ends with the letter 'S' (example: CIA ID 248575FL963S), this DOES NOT qualify a customer for the license plate. The letter 'S' identifies a supporter.

Additionally, a card that carries the words 'Support Group Member', DOES NOT qualify a customer for the license plate. Valid Florida membership cards will have the letters 'FL' within the number.

See Exhibit A for examples of the only two types of valid membership cards, which qualify customers for Combat Infantry Badge license plates.

11. Combat Medical Badge Recipient:
Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Combat Medical Badge.
12. Combat Action Badge Recipient:
Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Combat Action Badge.
13. Vietnam War Veteran:
Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was deployed and served in Vietnam during U.S. military deployment in Indochina and proof of active membership or former active duty status during these operations. Proof that the customer was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal is enough to establish eligibility for the license plate. The three countries of Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam represent Indochina, located in Southeast Asia. Therefore, if documentation indicates service in Vietnam, Cambodia or Laos, the customer was in Indochina. Accept any documentation or other materials the customer provides (letters, medals, etc.) indicating service in Vietnam/Indochina, which may not be shown specifically on the DD214.
14. Korean War Veteran:
Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was deployed and served in Korea during the Korean War as defined in [Section 1.01 \(14\) Florida Statutes](#), (June 27, 1950, to January 31, 1955), and proof of active membership or former active duty status during the Korean War. Proof that the customer was awarded the Korean Service Medal is enough to establish eligibility for the license plate.
15. Silver Star Recipient:
Proof that the customer was awarded the Silver Star while serving as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.
16. Distinguished Service Cross Recipient:
Proof that the customer was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross while serving as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.
17. Navy Cross Recipient:
Proof that the customer was awarded the Navy Cross while serving as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.
18. Air Force Cross Recipient:
Proof that the customer was awarded the Air Force Cross while serving as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.
19. Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm Veterans:

Proof from the U.S. Government that the customer was deployed and served in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, or another area of the Persian Gulf during Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm or proof that the customer was awarded the Southwest Asia Service Medal.

20. Combat Action Ribbon Recipient:

Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Combat Action Ribbon.

21. Air Force Combat Action Medal Recipient:

Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Air Force Combat Action Medal.

22. Distinguished Flying Cross Recipient:

Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross.

23. Woman Veteran:

Proof that the customer served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Proof may include a DD-214 or other similar documents that show her service in the U.S. military.

24. World War II Veteran:

Proof of the customer's service from the United States Armed Forces. The proof should include service dates between September 16, 1940 to July 24, 1947.

25. Navy Submariner:

Proof the customer was a recipient of the Submariner designation.

26. Bronze Star:

Proof that the customer was a recipient of the Bronze Star.

27. The Army Of Occupation:

Proof that the applicant was awarded the Army of Occupation Medal, current or former member of the United States military who was permanently assigned to occupation forces in specific overseas locations during the Cold War between May 9, 1945, and October 2, 1990.

F. FEES, CLASS CODES, AND SOME FEE EXEMPTIONS

Fees must be submitted as follows:

1. Veteran of the United States Armed Forces:

Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee if applying through a county branch office). Refer to

the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

2. National Guard Member and United States Reservist:

Submit regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

3. Ex-Prisoner of War:

An Ex-Prisoner of War is any U.S. citizen who served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or the armed forces of an allied nation who was held as a prisoner of war at the time when the Armed Forces of the U.S. were engaged in combat, or his or her un-remarried surviving spouse; any person who served as a civilian with the consent of the U.S. Government or any person who was a member of the Armed Forces of the U.S. while he or she was not a U.S. citizen and who was held as a prisoner of war when the U.S. Armed Forces were engaged in combat, or his or her un-remarried surviving spouse.

Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

An Ex-Prisoner of War license plate may also be issued to the unremarried surviving spouse of a deceased Ex-POW upon receipt of all the other requirements, a copy of a death certificate, and an affidavit stating the customer is the unremarried surviving spouse. The spouse is subject to the same registration tax and fees or exemption of registration tax as the Ex-POW. An existing Ex-Prisoner of War license plate may also be transferred from a deceased Ex-POW to the unremarried surviving spouse. If the surviving spouse remarries, the spouse is no longer eligible for the Ex-POW license plate.

4. Exempt Ex-Prisoner of War (class code 37):

An exempt Ex-Prisoner of War may apply for and be issued as many Ex-Prisoner of War license plates as the customer has vehicles registered in his name and receive these license plates at the reduced fee.

Submit the registration fee for class code 37 in the Tax Due and Credit Manual, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office).

Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

5. Medal of Honor Recipient: (class code 37):
The customer is issued a license plate at no charge.

6. Pearl Harbor Survivor:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

7. Exempt Pearl Harbor Survivor (class code 37):
An Exempt Pearl Harbor Survivor is one who qualifies for a disabled veteran's license plate under [Section 320.084 Florida Statutes](#).

The customer should submit the tax fee for class code 37 in the Tax Due and Credit Manual, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

8. Purple Heart Medal Recipient:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

A Purple Heart license plate may be issued to the unremarried surviving spouse of a deceased recipient of the Purple Heart Medal upon receipt of all other requirements, a copy of the death certificate, and an affidavit stating the customer is the unremarried surviving spouse. The spouse is subject to the same registration tax and fees as the recipient of the Purple Heart Medal. An existing Purple Heart license plate may be transferred from the deceased spouse to the unremarried surviving spouse.

9. Exempt Purple Heart Medal Recipient (class code 37):
A Purple Heart Medal recipient who is exempt from the fee is one who qualifies for a disabled veteran's license plate under [Section 320.084 Florida Statutes](#). These recipients should submit the tax fee for class code 37 in the Tax Due and Credit Manual, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office).

Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

10. U.S. Paratrooper:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, Annual Use fee, Processing fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
11. Florida National Guard Member:
Active members are allowed one tax-free registration each year. However, the Initial Registration, specialty, personalized, processing and Amateur Radio fees would be due when applicable. Any additional registrations must also be accompanied by appropriate fees.
12. Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom Veterans:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee, and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
13. Gold Star Recipient (class code 37):
Issue three free license plates per household to those qualified customers.

Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
14. Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge, and Combat Action Badge Recipients:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees
15. Korean War Veterans:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor](#)

[Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

16. Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross and Air Force Cross Recipients:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
17. Operation Desert Storm Veteran and Operation Desert Shield Veterans:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
18. Combat Action Ribbon, Air Force Combat Action Medal and Distinguished Flying Cross Recipients:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
19. Woman Veteran, World War II Veteran and Navy Submariner customer:
Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
20. Bronze Star customer: Submit the regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle, trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), Original License Plate fee, Decal on Demand fee and Service fee (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.
21. **The Army of Occupation: Submit regular tax fees shown in the Tax Due and Credit Manual using the appropriate regular class codes, based on weight and type of vehicle,**

trust fund fee from the [Motor Vehicle/Mobile Home Class Code Fee Chart](#), [Original License Plate fee](#), [Decal on Demand fee](#), and [Service fee](#) (add [Branch fee](#) if applying through a county branch office). Refer to the [Motor Vehicle/Motor Home Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart](#) for applicable fees.

The owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a recreational vehicle as specified in [s. 320.08\(9\)\(c\) or \(d\)](#) which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident of this state and a current or former member of the United States military who was permanently assigned to occupation forces in specific overseas locations during the Cold War between May 9, 1945, and October 2, 1990, upon application to the department accompanied by proof of active membership or former active duty status during this period at one of these locations and payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in [s. 320.08](#), shall be issued a license plate as provided by [s. 320.06](#) which, in lieu of the registration license number prescribed by [s. 320.06](#), is stamped with the words “Army of Occupation” and a likeness of the subject medal, followed by the registration license number of the plate. Proof that the applicant was awarded the Army of Occupation Medal is sufficient to establish eligibility for the license plate.

G. Proof of Florida insurance is required. Refer to [Procedure RS-36](#) for insurance requirements.

RENEWALS AND TRANSFERS OF MILITARY SERVICE-RELATED LICENSE PLATES:

All renewals and transfers may be processed through any county license plate agent.

Forced replacement of the Medal of Honor, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross and World War II Veteran license plates must be submitted to:

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
Attn: Direct Mail
2900 Apalachee Pkwy, MS-72
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Proof of continued eligibility is NOT required to renew any military service-related license plate except for Florida National Guard customers who want to exempt the fee.

An active duty National Guard member who qualifies **for fee exemption** when renewing a National Guard license plate must accurately complete and submit form [HSMV 83030](#), Application for U.S. Reserve or Florida National Guard license plate.

Replacement License Plates

Replacement license plates may be issued by any tax collector office or license plate agent except the Medal of Honor, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, Distinguished

Flying Cross and World War II Veteran license plate, which must be submitted to the address shown under the Renewals and Transfers of Military Service-Related License Plates section of this procedure.

The following is required:

- A. Form [HSMV 83146](#), Application for Replacement License Plate, Validation Decal, or Parking Permit.
- B. A copy of the vehicle registration certificate.
- C. When a customer has reported the license plate as stolen to a law enforcement agency, they will provide a police report or a law enforcement agency card, (see [RS-06](#)). Customer should submit this with the completed form [HSMV 83146](#), and the customer shall receive a replacement license plate or decal at no charge.

Form [HSMV 83146](#), signed by the customer, is required to issue a replacement license plate, validation decal, or parking permit. The processing agency must retain form [HSMV 83146](#) for one year.

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Revision(s)

6/21/2022: Added The owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a recreational vehicle as specified in [s. 320.08\(9\)\(c\) or \(d\)](#) which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident of this state and a current or former member of the United States military who was permanently assigned to occupation forces in specific overseas locations during the Cold War between May 9, 1945, and October 2, 1990, upon application to the department accompanied by proof of active membership or former active duty status during this period at one of these locations and payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in [s. 320.08](#), shall be issued a license plate as provided by [s. 320.06](#) which, in lieu of the registration license number prescribed by [s. 320.06](#), is stamped with the words “Army of Occupation” and a likeness of the subject medal, followed by the registration license number of the plate. Proof that the applicant was awarded the Army of Occupation Medal is sufficient to establish eligibility for the license plate.

6/13/22 added the verbiage for fee exemption under Letter G RENEWALS AND TRANSFERS OF MILITARY SERVICE-RELATED LICENSE PLATES.

2/23/2022: Added EE. The Army Of Occupation and definition Application Requirements (D). Added “must present a valid Common Access Card”.

10/23/20: Updated legislative language in Section 320.089. Added Section 320.0875 to legislative language. Updated Military Plates (J-K), (Z), (CC) & (DD); Application Requirements E (13), (26) and F (20) pursuant HB1135. The removal of the letters a and b from E (9).

01/31/20: Added the correct dates of September 16, 1940 to July 24, 1947 for active military service for WWII veterans.

04/16/18: Statutory review, added links. Added Historical Revisions section.

7/1/17: Page four of this procedure was updated to replace certain funds deposited into the State Homes for Veterans Trust Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund with the Department of Veteran Affairs. Added information on page 15 confirming the requirement to have a [HSMV 83146](#) completed by the customer and to maintain the form in the office for one year.

Exhibit A

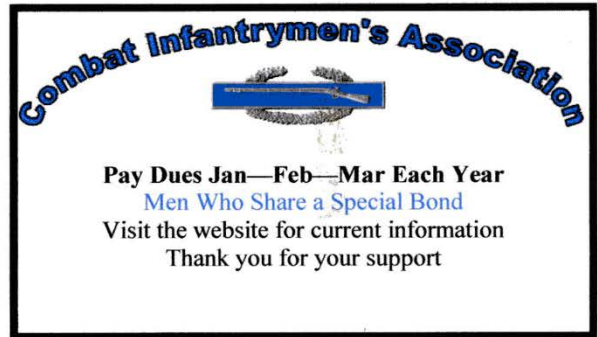
Valid Membership Cards for Combat Infantrymen's Association

(Color schemes of older cards may differ; however, the numbers will not change).

Example 1 Valid Membership Card (front and back)



Front of Valid Membership Card
(NO 'S' at the end of CIA ID number)

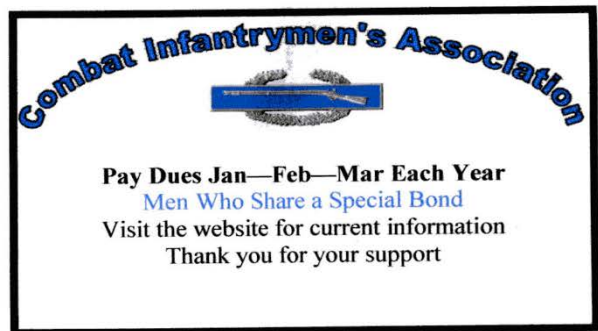


Back of Valid Membership Card

Example 2 Valid Membership Card (front and back)



Front of Valid Membership Card
(DOES NOT read 'Support Group Member')



Back of Valid Membership Card