

Procedure RS-19

Motor Vehicle Procedure Manual Registration

WheelChair Symbol (Suffix) License Plates

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Legal Authority

Section 320.0843(1), Florida Statutes, provides for the issuance of a wheelchair symbol license plate for an owner or lessee who qualifies for a disabled parking permit. This license plate entitles the person to all privileges afforded by a parking permit issued under section 320.0848, Florida Statutes. When more than one registrant is listed on the registration issued under this section, the eligible customer(s) shall be noted on the registration certificate.

Section 320.0848(2)(e), Florida Statutes, provides for a person with long-term mobility problems and who qualifies for a disabled parking permit to be issued a wheelchair symbol license plate in lieu of the disabled parking permit.

<u>Section 320.0848(1)(e), Florida Statutes,</u> provides that organizations do not qualify for a wheelchair suffix license plate, even though they may qualify for a disabled parking permit.

Description and Use

This procedure provides information and instructions to assist the employees of the Tax Collector, License Plate Agent, and The Florida Department of Highway Safety And Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) in the issuance of the wheelchair symbol (suffix) license plates.

Application Requirements

Submit the following to the county tax collector's office or license plate agent:

A. <u>Form HSMV 83007</u>, Application for a Disabled, Disabled Veteran, or Motorcycle International Wheelchair Symbol License Plate, accurately completed.

OR,

Form HSMV 83039, Application for Disabled Parking Permit, accurately completed.

- B. These license plates may be issued only for use on the following types of vehicles.
 - 1. Automobiles for private use or lease.
 - 2. Trucks weighing 5,000 pounds or less.
 - 3. Automobiles, which seat fewer than nine passengers and are for hire.
 - 4. Motor homes or truck campers not for hire or commercial use.
 - 5. Heavy trucks with a GVW less than 8,000 pounds.
- C. A Florida driver license or Florida identification card.
- D. Proof of insurance is required. Refer to <u>DMS Procedure RS-36</u> for additional insurance requirements.
- E. 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 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 <u>https://www.flhsmv.gov/pdf/proc/fees/fees-02.pdf</u>. Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart for applicable fees.

Renewal and Transfers of Wheelchair Symbol License Plate

- A. Renewals and transfers may be processed through the county license plate agent's office.
 - 1. When a customer applies for the renewal of a Wheelchair Symbol License Plate, the certification by a physician is not required.

Replacement License Plate

Applications for replacement license plates may be processed by the county license plate agent's office.

The following is required:

- A. Form <u>HSMV 83146</u>, <u>Application for Replacement License Plate</u>, <u>Validation Decal or Parking</u> <u>Permit</u>, accurately completed.
- B. A copy of the vehicle registration certificate.
- C. Fees: Refer to <u>Procedure RS-06</u> for additional information and fees.

Revision(s) to Procedure

Updated link in section E <u>https://www.flhsmv.gov/pdf/proc/fees/fees-02.pdf</u>

8/21/2015 Updated statute information in Section I.