



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 143.00 Rare and Endangered Species**

**Section:** 5. Motor Vehicle License Plate Classification and Requirements

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To view Louisiana Statutes: <http://www.legis.state.la.us/>

To view Special Plates: <http://omv.dps.state.la.us/>

**General:**

- This law provides for the issuance of a Rare and Endangered Species license plate and provides revenues to the "Rare and Endangered Species Account" which is created within the Conservation Fund. Funds collected from the sale of this plate shall be used by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for the purpose of conserving, restoring, and enhancing rare, threatened, and endangered species and their habitats through the office of wildlife. This license plate can be issued to private passenger automobiles, vans, private trucks up to 16,000 lbs, and motor homes.

**Eligibility:**

- There are no eligibility requirements for the Rare and Endangered Species license plate.

**Requirements:**

- Any citizen of Louisiana can be issued, upon application, the Rare and Endangered Species license plate.
- A photocopy of the registration certificate of the vehicle on which the plate will be placed if the vehicle is currently registered. OR
- If the vehicle is not registered, proper title documentation and fees must be submitted along with the request for the special plate.

**Fees:**

- \$26.00 - per year, in addition to, regular registration fees due at initial issuance and all subsequent renewals.
- \$8.00 - handling fee due on all transactions except renewal.
- \$3.50 - administrative handling fee will be due only on initial issuances.
- \$3.00 - Transfer the plate to another vehicle in the applicant's name.

**Notes:**

- Plates may be transferred from one vehicle in applicant's name to another vehicle in applicant's name, but cannot be transferred between owners.
- Initial requests must be mailed to the Office of Motor Vehicles, Specialized Vehicle Unit, P.O. Box 64886, Baton Rouge, LA 70896. All other transactions can be processed by any motor vehicle office or public tag agent.