



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 86.00 Native American License Plates**

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

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

**Authority:**

[R.S. 47:462](#)

[R.S. 47:463.78](#)

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

**General:**

- Louisiana law provides for the issuance of a special license plate for the purpose of academic or financial need-based scholarships for students of Native American ancestry. 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 Native American license plates.

**Requirements:**

- Any resident of Louisiana can be issued, upon application, the Native American 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 in the applicant's name, proper title documentation and fees must be submitted along with the request for the special plate.

**Fees:**

- \$25.00 - in addition to regular registration fees, is due at initial issuance and all subsequent renewals.
- \$8.00 - handling fee due on all transactions except renewals.
- \$3.50 - administrative handling fee due only on initial issuance.
- \$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.
- Based on availability, plates may be issued through any motor vehicle office or public tag agent location.
- Renewal transactions can be processed by any motor vehicle office, public tag agent or through the website at [expresslane.org](http://expresslane.org)