Section:  5. Motor Vehicle License Plate Classifications & Requirements

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

Authority:
R.S. 47:462
R.S. 47:490.3
To view Louisiana Statutes:  http://www.legis.state.la.us/

Objective:  This policy provides guidance on applicable documents and eligibility requirements needed to issue a National Guard license plate.

Definitions:
- National Guard License Plate – A military honor license plate issued for private passenger automobiles, vans, private use trucks up to 16,000 lbs, and motorcycles.¹

Eligibility:
- Any active member of the Louisiana National Guard or any member who has been honorably discharged from the Louisiana National Guard is eligible for this type plate.¹

General:
- Plates are available for immediate issuance through the Specialized Vehicle Unit.
- Based on availability, plates may be issued through any Motor Vehicle office of Public Tag Agency.
- Renewal transactions can be processed at any Motor Vehicle office or Public Tag Agency.
- Plates may be transferred from one vehicle in applicant's name to another vehicle in applicant's name, but cannot be transferred between owners.

Required Documentation:
- Proof of Active Duty status or DD214 showing honorably discharged from the National Guard
- One of the following:
  - A copy of the registration certificate of the vehicle on which the plate will be placed
  - If the vehicle is not in the applicant's name, all necessary documentation required for titling the vehicle must be submitted along with the request for the National Guard license plate.
Fees:
- $25.00 - One-time fee, in addition to regular registration fees, due at initial issuance.¹
- Standard renewal fees apply
- $8.00 - Handling fee due on all transactions except renewals.
- $3.00 – Transfer fee to transfer plate to another vehicle in the applicant's name.

Related Policies:
Section 4, Policy 2.00 Basic Requirements for Obtaining a Vehicle Title

References:
¹ – Louisiana State Legislature. Military Honor License Plates for Member of the National Guard (R.S. 47:490.3), retrieved from https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=321787.