

**Section:** 5. Motor Vehicle License Plate Classifications & Requirements

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To view Special Plates: <a href="https://www.Expresslane.org">www.Expresslane.org</a>

## **Authority:**

R.S. 47:463 R.S. 47:463.8 R.S. 47:6040

To View Louisiana Statutes: http://www.legis.state.la.us/

## **Background:**

• The law provides for the use of antique license plates issued the same year as the model year of the motor vehicle.

# **Eligibility:**

- Any antique motor vehicle or motorcycle at least thirty-five (35) years old is eligible for this type plate.
  - The license plate must be provided by the applicant and be at least thirty-five (35) years old, in good condition, and must show the same expiration year as the model year of the vehicle on which it will be placed.
  - The Office of Motor Vehicles does not issue this type of plate.
  - A plate will not be assigned to a vehicle if the same plate number is currently assigned to another vehicle. This situation occurs as a result of plate duplication in prior years.

## Requirements:

- The antique license plate is a lifetime plate.
- All applications for initial issuance or transference of an Antique license plate must be accompanied by:
  - A current color photograph of the vehicle
  - The physical plate may be presented to the Specialized Vehicle Unit, or a color photograph of the license plate must be submitted with the file for approval.

- One of the following:
  - A notarized Antique Plate Affidavit (<u>DPSMV 1911</u>) attesting to the fact that the vehicle has not been and will not be materially altered or modified from the original manufacturer's specifications and that such vehicle shall be used primarily for special occasions such as exhibitions, club activities, parades, or other functions of the public interest, or for necessary testing, maintenance, and storage purposes.
  - A photocopy of a card showing applicant's membership in an antique car club.
- o If the vehicle is not registered in the applicant's name, proper title documentation and fees must be submitted along with the request applying for usage of the plate.
- This plate type may be retained by the owner or remain with the vehicle when sold.
- All requests for initial issuance must be mailed to the Specialized Vehicle Unit, P.O. Box 64886, Baton Rouge, La., 70896. Transfers may be processed by any Motor Vehicle office or public tag agent.

#### Fees:

- Antique plate fees:
  - \$25.00 One-time license plate fee
  - \$8.00 Handling fee
  - o \$3.00 Transfer fee
  - \$3.50 Administrative handling fee, due only on initial issuance
- Antique plate fees assessed when antique vehicle tax exemption is applied (Only applies to vehicles transferred or sold after 07/01/2025):
  - \$1,000.00- One-time license plate fee
  - \$8.00- Handling fee
  - \$3.50- Administrative handling fee, due only on initial issuance
  - \$1,000.00-Transfer fee, if transferring to a new owner.

#### **Related Policies:**

Section 4, Policy 2.00 Basic Requirements For Obtaining A Certificate Of Title

Section 4, Policy 8.01 Application For Title On Antique, Classic Or Vintage Vehicles With No Record

Section 4, Policy 49.11 Antique Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption