



Louisiana Department of Public Safety  
Office of Motor Vehicles  
**Policy 5.03 Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War License Plate**

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

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**General:**

- The Office of Motor Vehicles shall establish procedures by which licensed motor vehicle dealers may obtain Ex-Prisoner of War dealer inventory license plates. These plates may be used on autos, trucks, tractors, trailers, semi-trailers, buses and motorcycles.

**Requirements:**

- A dealer must possess a current dealer's permit number issued by either the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission, or the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission in order to be eligible to purchase a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War license plate. The current dealer permit number must be shown on the application for Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War license plate(s).
- The dealer must also be a former prisoner of war of World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, or the Vietnamese Conflict to be eligible for this type plate.
- All applications for initial issuance of a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War license plate must be accompanied by an affidavit signed by a Veterans Affairs Service Officer attesting to the applicant's eligibility or sufficient proof of the applicant's status as an ex-prisoner of war.
- **Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plates shall be valid for a one-year period.**
- The plates shall allow the dealer, to which the plate is issued, to operate any motor vehicle which is held by a dealer as inventory for any purpose which is related to offering the motor vehicle for sale, to displaying or exhibiting the motor vehicle to the public, to demonstrating the qualities of the motor vehicle, or to maintaining or enhancing the condition or the value of the motor vehicle.
- **NOTE:** A dealer may allow someone other than his employee to operate a motor vehicle in his inventory for the above-listed purposes.

- A truck or tractor dealer may allow a prospective purchaser to use a vehicle to which the dealer has attached a dealer inventory plate. The prospective purchaser may use the vehicle for a maximum of five (5) days to transport cargo for hire within the boundaries of this State for demonstration purposes. The dealer shall not receive any compensation for the use of the vehicle. The dealer shall complete and place in the vehicle a document, approved by the Office of Motor Vehicles, which shall state the name and address of the dealer, the name and address of the prospective purchaser, and the dates on which the prospective purchaser, will use the vehicle. The dealer must maintain a copy of the Five (5) Day Truck/Tractor Demonstration Permit document issued to the prospective purchaser.
- A dealer may allow authorized employees of educational institutions, or licensed sales representatives of the dealer, or both, to use, for any purpose, a motor vehicle to which the dealer has attached a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate, provided the arrangement does not constitute renting or leasing the vehicle to the employee or sales representative.
- A dealer may permit a person other than a licensed sales representative to make delivery to the purchaser of a mobile home, lawfully bearing a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate.
- A valid Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate may be transferred from one vehicle to another owned or operated by the dealer.
- A Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate which is used for any of the authorized purposes must be displayed on the vehicle in plain view.

**Fees:**

- A fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) will be assessed for each Ex-Prisoner of War Dealer Inventory license plate issued.
- **Suspension or Revocation of Dealer Inventory Plate**
- The Office of Motor Vehicles reserves the right to suspend or revoke the privilege of any dealer to utilize a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate, if it is established that said dealer has used or has allowed the use of a Dealer Inventory Ex-Prisoner of War plate for purposes other than what is stated by law or by this policy.