



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
**Policy 17.00 Registration Plates for Manufacturers,
Wholesalers, Distributors**

Section: 5. Motor Vehicle License Plate Classifications & Requirements

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Definition:

- Manufacturers, wholesalers, or distributors owning any new, previously unregistered vehicle may be issued these plates for the purpose of moving, transporting or testing these vehicles upon streets, roads and highways in connection with public civic events. Any properly licensed employees or other authorized agents (including media evaluators or scientific testers) of the manufacturer, wholesaler, or distributor may then operate the vehicles.

Eligibility:

- Licensed vehicle manufacturers, wholesalers or distributors may apply for these plates.

Requirements:

- The applicant must submit:
 - Proof of licensure by a Motor Vehicle Commission or other regulatory body.
 - A Completed Dealer Application form ([DPSMV 1640](#)).
 - Copy of the certificate of insurance.
 - Manufacturer plates are issued only by the Special/Dealer License Plate Unit at OMV Headquarters.

Fees:

- A \$100.00 fee is required for the first plate and \$3.00 for each additional plate.
- The term of the plate is a maximum of one year, renewable annually.