Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 24.00 School Bus Plates

Section: 5. Motor Vehicle License Plate Classifications & Requirements

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General:

- The 1975 Legislature passed Act 754 which broadened the use of school bus plates. School bus plates can now be used on vehicles which fall into one of the four following categories:
    - Buses which are owned by a school, school district, etc., and used principally for the transporting of pupils or teachers; buses which are owned by persons who hold contracts for the transportation of pupils and teachers to or from school. This does not change the fact that many buses in this category are eligible for public plates.
    - Buses which belong to churches, synagogues or other religious organizations.
    - Buses which belong to non-profit charitable organizations.
    - Buses which belong to privately owned transportations service companies used in the transportation of school children.
- Buses which fall into the third category will be treated in a slightly different manner in that an affidavit attesting to the fact that the organization is "non-profit and charitable" must be submitted in the following instances:
- Initial application for a "school bus" plate.
- The transfer of a bus from one charitable non-profit organization to another.
- Once the school bus plate has been obtained, the affidavit will not be required upon renewal of the registration.