



INFORMATION ABOUT PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES

GENERAL INFORMATION

Personalized license plates are available for the one-time fee of \$50.00; which is in addition to the regular registration fee. Should the registration expire for a period of more than two years, an additional fee of \$50.00 is necessary to reactivate use of the personalized license plates.

The license plates will be issued to the registered owner as shown on the application. Personalized license plates may be reissued to a different name, but another \$50.00 fee is required.

Requests will be honored on a first-come, first-serve basis. **Reservations are accepted only upon filing of an application and payment of the fee.** No reservation will be accepted without payment. Application forms are available online at NJMVC.gov.

LEASED VEHICLE WARNING

All courtesy, personalized or special issue license plates are issued in the name of the registered owner of the vehicle.

If you change leasing companies, purchase the leased vehicle from the company or purchase some other vehicle in your name, you will need to reapply and pay \$4.50 for an updated registration or \$15.50 for an updated registration and license plates remade.

You will also need to secure a letter from the previous owner of the license plate, on company letterhead, releasing the license plate so it can be reissued in your name or the name of your leasing company. **The new vehicle will need to be registered with standard license plates. Please include a copy of the old and new lease agreements with your application.**

RESTRICTIONS

Any combination of alphabetic characters or numbers, or both, that may carry connotations offensive to good taste and decency, will be rejected. Some license plate combinations have already been reserved for special vehicles or groups such as government agencies, automobile dealers, doctors and automobile collectors. These plates are not available as personalized plates.

Personalized license plates may be issued to passenger vehicles, commercial codes 11 and 15 vehicles and motorcycles. Motorcycle plates are limited to five spaces.

The law governing issuance of personalized license plates states that such plates may not be issued to any person who has been convicted of one or more of the following offences listed within the last 10 years:

R.S. 39:4-50 "Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or while ability is impaired by alcohol or refusing to take a breathalyzer test."

R.S. 39:4-96 "Reckless driving"

The law forbids the issuance to any person who has been convicted of:

R.S. 2C:11-5 "Death by auto or vessel"

No person whose driving privilege in New Jersey has been revoked or suspended "for any reason whatsoever, within the two year period preceding the date of application may be issued personalized or courtesy plates. Such persons may reapply two years after the privilege is restored".

COMBINATIONS YOU MAY SELECT

Personalized license plate combinations are limited to a minimum of three letters and a maximum of seven characters (letters, or letters and numbers). No punctuation marks or symbols, such as the silhouette of New Jersey, can be used. The plate can accommodate seven characters or spaces and each character takes a full space. The same combination can be issued for more than one vehicle if owned or leased by the same person, provided no more than six spaces are used in the combination. The additional sets of plates will have a **smaller dash number**, -2,-3, etc., following the registration number (KEVIN-2, JOAN-3, etc.). A separate application and \$50.00 fee is required for each additional set. Combinations having three letters and the number 1 through 20 are "Courtesy plates" and the Senator of your election district must approve your request before it is submitted. The fee for a "Courtesy plate" is \$30.00.