

Texas claims one of the largest veteran populations in the country. Our service members – active and retired – may choose from dozens of license plates honoring their commitment and sacrifice. The first military license plate in Texas was established for Disabled Veterans in 1972.

Texas license plates related to the U.S. Armed Forces have increased dramatically since then, with plates commemorating each service branch, major events beginning with Pearl Harbor and World War II, and meritorious medal awards among other options. For relatives of veterans, the TxDMV offers the “Gold Star” series for spouses, mothers, fathers and family.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- ★ Texas title and vehicle registration should be in your name.
- ★ If you recently filed an application for title, attach a copy of the *Title Application Receipt* (VTR-500 RTS).
- ★ Joint vehicle ownership between you and a spouse is permissible.
- ★ Attach a copy of the lease agreement if vehicle is leased.
- ★ The vehicle must be for personal use only.
- ★ If the plate is to be registered to a vehicle that is not titled in your name, attach a statement to the application stating that you have legal right of possession and control of this vehicle at all times.

Visit www.TxDmv.gov for more information on application requirements.

PERSONALIZE YOUR PLATE

If you would like to personalize your specialty plate, there will be a \$40 annual fee in addition to the annual registration fee (if required). Application forms are available online at www.TxDmv.gov. Please be sure you carefully review your personalized plate selections as refunds will not be issued.

If the selection has already been issued or is deemed offensive or conflicts with the regular license plate numbering system, it cannot be approved.

A character is defined as one letter, number, period, dash, star, blank space, Texas silhouette, or the heart symbol.

The International Symbol of Access (ISA) may be added to specialty plates on vehicles 18,000 lbs. or less, if you otherwise meet the disabled eligibility requirements.

Below are some frequently asked questions:

DOES TEXAS OFFER DISCOUNTED MILITARY SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATE AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES?

Yes. Most Texas military specialty license plates are available at no extra cost, but motor vehicle registration fees still apply. A select group of Texas military plates are available for \$0 annual motor vehicle registration fee for one vehicle. See TxDMV's *Application for Military Meritorious Service License Plates* (Form VTR-421) for the details.

CAN I GET MORE THAN ONE NO-REGISTRATION FEE MILITARY PLATE, IF I QUALIFY?

No. You must choose which will be your one plate with no annual registration fee. (State laws permit only one.)

ARE THESE PLATES AVAILABLE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SYMBOL OF ACCESS?

Yes. Military license plates and placards are available with the International Symbol of Access.

CAN SURVIVING SPOUSES OF MILITARY VETERANS GET THESE PLATES?

Yes. An unmarried, eligible surviving spouse may continue to register one vehicle with their deceased spouse's military specialty license plate and fee. TxDMV's applications, available online, detail the qualifications.

WHO CAN I CALL FOR HELP?

Call your local county tax assessor-collector or TxDMV Special Plates Unit at (512) 374-5010.

WHAT STATE LAWS AUTHORIZE MILITARY LICENSE PLATES BENEFITS?

You can find the specialty license plate laws in Texas' Transportation Code; a few are summarized below for your convenience:

§504.201	Persons with Disabilities
§504.202	Veterans with Disabilities
§504.301	General provisions (honorable discharge)
§504.302	Surviving Spouse plates
§504.315	Military plates for extraordinary service
§372.053	Veteran discount program (tolls)
§681.008	Parking privileges: certain veterans



TEXAS SUPPORTS OUR TROOPS

Texas offers specialty license plates that recognize the service and sacrifices of military personnel, veterans and their families. This brochure provides a catalog of military specialty license plates available for you.



Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

Review Texas' military specialty license plate collection (below) and corresponding plate application forms to learn if you qualify for these license plates. Download the application forms from TxDMV's website at www.txdmv.gov/motorists/for-our-troops. A separate catalog of Disabled Veteran specialty license plates is also available at this link.



* Parking privileges available under certain conditions.