

Division of Motorist Services

Procedure RS-12

Motor Vehicle Procedure Manual

Registration

Government License Plates

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Legal Authority

Section <u>320.0655</u>, Florida Statutes, states that a permanent exempt license plate shall be issued for any motor vehicle owned, or exclusively operated by the state, county municipality, or any other government entity of this state or volunteer fire department.

Description and Use

This procedure provides information and instructions to assist tax collector employees, license plate agents, and Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) with the issuance of government license plates.

Application Requirements

The following Government license plates are issued only by the Department:

AWR Agency for Work Force Innovation

ACR Dept. of Agriculture & Consumer Services

PCR Dept. of Corrections

EPR Dept. of Environmental Protection

OTR Dept. of TransportationHPR Florida Highway PatrolFWR Fish & Wildlife Commission

Revision Date: 01/23/23 Effective Date: Immediately **LER** Dept. of Blind Services

NBR North Broward Hospital District

PRR PRIDE

LSR Public Service Commission

FDR Florida Dept. of Veterans Affairs Florida National Guard

FRR Fish & Wildlife Officer

The following Government license plates may be issued in any county license plate agency:

CVR CITY **CGR COLLEGE** NVR COUNTY SHR SHERIFF **SVR** STATE **CMR** CY Motorcycle County Motorcycle State Motorcycle NCR **SMR**

VFR Volunteer Fire **WMR** Water Management Districts

A. PROOF OF OWNERSHIP:

Proof of ownership of the vehicle must be shown by submitting one of the following:

- 1. Copy of the current Florida Vehicle Registration Certificate.
- Copy of the Florida Certificate of Title.
- 3. Copy of a title receipt showing the owner has applied for a Florida title.
- 4. Application for Florida title with all supporting documents and applicable title fees.

Section 319.23(6), Florida Statutes, requires a licensed dealer to file the purchaser's application for title within 30 days, from the date of delivery of the motor vehicle or mobile home to the purchaser. However, if the purchaser is a governmental entity, the dealership may give them the original Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin (MCO). The government agency may submit the MCO, along with their application for certificate of title, to a tax collector office, or license plate agency for processing.

5. If the vehicle is a trailer that does not require a Florida title to be issued, a weight-slip or letter confirming that the shipping weight is less than 2,000 pounds is required, in addition to a statement that the trailer is homemade or proof of purchase.

B. LETTER OF REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENTAL LICENSE PLATE:

 It is necessary that the customer submit a letter of request stating whether the agency should be issued city, county, or state series license plates. When there is more than one local agency involved and the organization is established by Chapters 163 or 190,
Florida Statutes, it should be treated like an interlocal governmental entity, or a community development district, and a state series license plate must be issued. An

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example would be the consolidation of certain utility systems, such as a City and County which created the Utilities Authority.

2. Governmental entities are not eligible for specialty license plates.

C. FEES:

Exempt fee, Original License Plate fee, Service fee, (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch agency), State Transportation Surcharge fee, Juvenile Justice fee, Law Enforcement Radio Systems fee, Air Pollution Control fee, Emergency Medical Services fee, FRVIS fee, and Reflectorization fee. Refer to the Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution Chart for applicable fees.

Transfer (Reassignment) of Government License Plates

A transfer may be processed through any county license plate agency.

- A. Form HSMV <u>83036</u>, Notice of Reassignment of Permanent Florida Governmental Agency License Plate, accurately completed by authorized personnel of the government agency and retained by the local county license plate agency.
- B. FEES: Service fee, (add Branch fee, if applying through a county branch agency), Air Pollution Control fee, Emergency Medical Services fee and FRVIS fee. Refer to the <u>Registration Fees and Flat Taxes Distribution</u> Chart for applicable fees.

Replacement License Plates

See Application Requirements Section of this procedure to determine where to process applications for replacement license plates.

The following is required:

Form <u>HSMV 83146</u> is required for all replacements of license plates, validation decals or parking permits, except license plate that is de-authorized by the FLHSMV. Form HSMV 83146 must be completed and signed by the applicant and /or Tax Collector or license plate agent, if applicable.

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1. Refer to Procedure RS-06 for additional information and fees.

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Vehicles Solely Operated, But Not Owned by The Government Agency

A. LEASED VEHICLE:

1. If a vehicle is leased to a government agency, a copy of the lease agreement is required, and a government license plate must be issued. Refer to Procedure RS-53 for additional information.

B. LOANED VEHICLE:

1. If a vehicle is loaned to a governmental agency, a copy of the loan agreement is required, and a government license plate must be issued. Refer to Procedure RS-04 for additional information.

Revision(s)

01/23/2023 – Moved "WMR Water Management Districts" plates from Department issued to County issued under Application Requirements

01/12/23-Removed "AWI Agency for Work Force Innovation, DDL Division of Driver Licenses, MVR Division of Motor Vehicles. Updated AWR Department of Economic Opportunity, LER Department of Blind Services, FRR Fish & Wildlife Officer" Annual review conducted.

08/29/2018 Conducted statutory review, added links to Florida Statutes and forms, updated list to reflect current government plates issued by the Department. Added B.2. Governmental entities are not eligible for specialty license plates.

02/01/2008 - Updated Description and Use on page 1. Removed information on government license plates on page 1. Removed all fees and referred to fee chart on page 3.

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