

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Sports Plate Information Sheet

GENERAL INFORMATION AND COSTS

Requests will be honored on a first-come, first-served 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 at all Motor Vehicle Agencies and on our website at www.njmvc.gov/sports.

Standard sports license plates can be purchased for an annual fee of \$60.00; which is in addition to the regular registration fee. **NOTE:** \$25.00 will be charged for each year of valid registration (EX: New vehicle 4-year registration with sports plate = \$135.00 (\$25 x 4 years) plus registration fee. Personalized sports license plates will be an additional \$50.00.

DISQUALIFIED PERSONS

The law governing issuance of sports license plates states that such plates may not be issued to any person who has been convicted of one or more of the following offenses listed within the last 10 years: N.J.S.A. 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." or N.J.S.A. 39:4-96 - "Reckless driving." The law also forbids the issuance to any person who has been convicted of: N.J.S.A. 2C:11-5 - "Death by auto or vessel".

No person whose driving privilege in New Jersey has been revoked or suspended for any reason, within the two year period preceding the date of application, may be issued a standard or personalized sport plate.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

VEHICLE INFORMATION AND LEASED VEHICLE WARNING

All sports 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 fee to **reissue** the license plates (\$15.50, if plates are needed).

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 new 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.

Personalized sports license plates will only be issued for passenger vehicles and commercial-type vehicles (Code 15) used exclusively for personal use, such as pick-up trucks.

PERSONALIZING YOUR PLATE

General Rules - You may choose a minimum of (3) three letters and a maximum of (5) five characters (letters or letter and numbers combined) for your personalized sports plate. No punctuation marks or symbols, such as the silhouette of New Jersey, can be used. The plate can accommodate five 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 (4) four spaces are used in the combination. The additional sets of plates will have a small dash number, -2,-3, etc., following the registration number (MIKE⁻², JOAN⁻³, etc.). A separate application and \$50 fee is required for each additional set. **Consider your choices carefully as no substitutions or refunds are allowed once the plates are ordered from the manufacturer.**

Message Restrictions - No Team name or the word "FAN" is allowed. No personalized sports plate combination, which is considered offensive, will be approved for issuance. Some license plate combinations have already been reserved for special vehicles or groups such as governmental agencies, automobile dealers, doctors, and automobile collectors. These plates are not available as personalized plates.

TRANSACTION TYPES

If this is your first time registering plates, and you are not transferring plates from a previous vehicle, please mark the **initial** box. Should the registration expire for a period of more than two years, an additional fee of \$60 is necessary to **reactivate** the license plate. The license plates will be mailed to the registered owner as shown on the application. License plates may be **reissued** to a different owner for a \$60 fee. **A Legal Plate Switch (LPS)** is when the same owner transfers plates to a different vehicle type, for a \$5.00 fee (\$11.00, if plates are needed). If any of these situations apply, please remember to check the appropriate box at the bottom of your application.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If your current registration is due for renewal, have it renewed prior to mailing the application. Checks or money orders must be made payable to: "NJ MVC". **DO NOT SEND CASH.** Submit the required documentation (mentioned above), a completed application (Form SP-4), and the correct fee to the NJ Motor Vehicle Commission, Sports Plate Unit, 225 E. State Street, P.O. Box 015, Trenton, NJ, 08666. Questions? Please call us at 888-486-3339 ext. 5018.