



## GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING REPLACEMENT REGISTRATION PLATES

- To replace a lost, stolen or defaced registration plate that is damaged, but not beyond recognition, complete and submit [MV-44, "Application for Duplicate Registration Card or Replacement of Lost, Stolen or Defaced Registration Plate."](#) along with a photograph or tracing of the registration plate for identification purposes. A registration plate is considered to be defaced when the registration plate is damaged by a specific incident such as a traffic accident, cutting, scraping or damaged caused by intense cleaning or harmful chemicals. There is a fee of \$13 to replace a defaced standard issue or specialty registration plate.
- To apply for a **free registration plate**, due to current plate being illegible, the vehicle owner should visit our website at [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) and take Form MV-46, "Application to Replace an Illegible Registration Plate," to any official Pennsylvania inspection station for verification that their registration plate is illegible OR have a law enforcement official verify the need for a replacement registration plate on Form MV-46. The vehicle owner is then responsible for signing and returning the completed Form MV-46 to PennDOT in order to receive a replacement registration plate free of charge. Your registration plate will be replaced with the next registration plate in the series and with the same style of registration plate you are replacing.
- To apply for a never received product, the vehicle owner should visit our website at [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) and complete Form MV-50, "Application for Replacement of a Never Received Product." By law, customers are entitled to a free reissuance of a product they never received if an application for a never received product is submitted within 90 days of the original issuance date. If a customer submits the application outside of the 90 days, the customer must submit \$2 for each never received registration card requested and \$13 for each never received registration plate requested, along with this application.
- Requests for special organization registration plates are restricted to passenger vehicles or trucks with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 lbs., trailers, motorcycles and motor homes. **NOTE:** Motorcycles registration plates are only available if the organization has an approved motorcycle special organization registration plate.
- This application, completed in full, along with a check or money order should be mailed to: Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Special Organization Plate Program, P.O. Box 68266, Harrisburg, PA 17106-8266.
- This special organization registration plate is issued in number sequence only and may not be personalized.
- All telephone numbers will be held in confidence and used only in the event of a problem with your application.
- To avoid possible problems with citations with your old registration plate, return it to: Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Return Tag Unit, P.O. Box 68597, Harrisburg, PA 17106-8597 after you have received your special organization registration plate.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS - SECTION C

- If the applicant is a notary applying for a notary public registration plate, the applicant's notary seal must be affixed in this section instead of an official's signature.