



**MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES**  
445 Minnesota St., Saint Paul, MN 55101  
Phone: (651) 296-6911 TTY: (651) 282-6555  
dvs.dps.mn.gov

## Minnesota Special License Plates – 2016

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>ARO (Amateur Radio)</b> 168.12, subd. 2		Passenger or self-propelled RV class (any weight) vehicle owned by licensed amateur radio operator	2,649
<b>Citizens Band Radio</b> 168.12, subd. 2		Passenger or self-propelled RV class (any weight) vehicle owned by licensed citizens band radio operator	39
<b>Collector Class: Classic</b> 168.10, subd. 1 (b)		Specific vehicles manufactured between 1925–1948. Refer to Classic car list under Minn. Stat. 168.10, subd. 1b	948
<b>Collector Class: Classic Motorcycle</b> 168.105		A motorcycle at least 20 model years old	14,159
<b>Collector Class: Collector</b> 168.10, subd. 1c		A motor vehicle at least 20 model years old or a motor vehicle 10 model years old if no more than 500 vehicles were manufactured or imported into the US.	194,885
<b>Collector Class: Pioneer</b> 168.10, subd. 1 (a)		A motor vehicle manufactured prior to 1936	17,479

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>Collector Class: Street Rod</b> 168.10, subd. 1 (d)		A motor vehicle manufactured prior to 1949 or built to resemble such a vehicle	5,553
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Augsburg College</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	34
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Bemidji</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	55
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Bethel University</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	27
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Concordia College (Moorhead)</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	84
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Concordia University (St. Paul)</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	24
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Crown College</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	17
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Gustavus Adolphus</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	185
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Hamline University</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	36
<b>Collegiate: 168.129</b> <b>Macalester University</b>		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	13

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
Collegiate: 168.129 Minnesota State University Mankato		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	116
Collegiate: 168.129 Metropolitan State University		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	12
Collegiate: 168.129 Minnesota State University Moorhead		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	42
Collegiate: 168.129 University of Northwestern St. Paul		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	19
Collegiate: 168.129 Southwest Minnesota State University		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	76
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Benedict		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	10
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Catherine's		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	50
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Cloud State		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	98
Collegiate: 168.129 St. John's		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	131

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Mary's		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	22
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Olaf		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	118
Collegiate: 168.129 St. Thomas		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	181
Collegiate: 168.129 U of M Crookston		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	3
Collegiate: 168.129 U of M Duluth		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	170
Collegiate: 168.129 U of M Twin Cities		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	2,081
Collegiate: 168.129 U of M Morris		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	23
Collegiate: 168.129 Winona State		Passenger class vehicle; applicant need not be alumnus. Requires minimum \$25 annual contribution to scholarship fund.	41
Commuter Van Pool 168.126		Commuter Van designed to carry 7 to 16 persons. (Taxed as BY Class bus.)	226
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Deer (6/96)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Deer (6/96)	23,699

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Loon (4/02)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Loon design (4/02)	66,517
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Anglers (5/09)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Anglers (5/09)	26,443
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Chickadee (5/09)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Chickadee (5/09)	21,613
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Ladyslipper (5/09)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Ladyslipper (5/09)	23,971
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Buck (5/09)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Buck (5/09)	21,999
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Pheasant (11/13)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Pheasants (11/13)	7,955
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Kouba Moose (08/14)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Moose (08/14)	11,739
Critical Habitat (DNR; Conservation) 168.1296 Wild Turkey (11/16)		Passenger Class Vehicles: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special DNR fund. Wild Turkey (11/16)	438
Disabled 168.021		Issued to an owner or primary operator of a passenger vehicle, one-ton pickup or self-propelled RV (any weight) who meets medical criteria certifying physical disability	25,562
Disabled Motorcycle 168.021		Issued to owner of a motorcycle who meets medical criteria certifying physical disability	314

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
Firefighter 168.12, subd. 2 (b)		Passenger class vehicle or one-ton truck resembling a pickup, owned by a member of a fire department.	14,393
Firefighter Motorcycle 168.12, subd. 2 (b)		Motorcycle owned by a member of a fire department.	778
Firefighter (Retired) 168.12, subd. 2g		Passenger class vehicle or one-ton truck resembling a pickup, owned by a retired firefighter.	1,015
Firefighter (Retired) Motorcycle 168.12, subd. 2g		Motorcycle owned by a retired firefighter.	68
Gold Star Family 168.1253		Passenger, One-Ton Pickup, self-propelled RV owned by spouse, parent, sibling or child of fallen service member (Registration and filing fee collected)	363
Gold Star Family motorcycle 168.1253		Motorcycle owned by spouse, parent, sibling or child of fallen service member (No cost for plate but Registration and filing fee are still due)	22
Limousine 168.128		Luxury sedan or SUV. Applicant must furnish proof of insurance policy that complies with M.S. 65B.135 valid for entire registration period.	1,370
Minnesota Golf 168.1299		Passenger Class Vehicles, one-ton pick-up trucks, Self-Propelled RV: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to MN PGA foundation.	2,263
Minnesota State Parks & Trails 168.1295		Passenger Class Vehicles, one-ton pick-up trucks, Self-Propelled RV: Requires minimum \$50 annual contribution to MN Parks & Trails, allows entry to MN State Parks without additional admittance permit.	278 <i>Available 12/01/2016</i>
Minnesota State Parks & Trails motorcycle 168.1295		Motorcycle Requires minimum \$50 annual contribution to MN Parks & Trails, allows entry to MN State Parks without additional admittance permit.	<i>Available 02/01/2017</i>

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>National Guard (MN)</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (c)		Passenger class vehicle owned by member or retired member of MN National Guard	1,633
<b>Personalized</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (a)		Passenger class vehicle, one-ton pickup or self-propelled RV (any weight). Maximum of seven (7) characters including spaces and hyphens. Maximum six (6) characters on one-ton pickup and RV license plates. One-ton pickups and RV's are not subject to 7 year replacement.	79,441
<b>Personalized Motorcycle</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (a)		Motorcycle. Maximum six (6) characters due to smaller size of motorcycle license plate.	6,548
<b>Personalized Motorcycle - Vertical</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (a)		Motorcycle. Maximum four (4) characters due to smaller size of motorcycle license plate and vertical display.	553
<b>"Proud to be a Veteran"</b> 168.1255		Passenger class, One-Ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by a veteran of the US Armed Forces. At time of initial application there is a one- time contribution of \$30 to benefit the WWII memorial fund.	5,892
<b>"Proud to be a Veteran" Motorcycle</b> 168.1255		Motorcycle owned by a veteran of the US Armed Forces. At time of initial application there is a one- time contribution of \$30 to benefit the WWII memorial fund.	316
<b>Ready Reserve</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (d)		Passenger class vehicle owned by Ready Reservist	230
<b>Remembering Victims of Impaired Drivers</b> 168.121		Passenger class or pickup. No contribution or special qualifications. Plate is available to any motor vehicle owner	1,864

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>Support our Troops</b> M.S. 168.1298		Passenger Class Vehicles, one-ton pick-up trucks: Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special military families and veterans fund.	39,208
<b>Support our Troops Motorcycle</b> M.S. 168.1298		Motorcycle Requires minimum \$30 annual contribution to special military families and veterans fund.	3,037
<b>Veteran: Afghanistan</b> 168.123 subd. 2 (h)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or self-propelled RV owned by Afghan veteran who was awarded the Afghanistan service medal. *Current Computer System Limitations are interfering with accurate counts	2,183
<b>Veteran: Afghanistan Motorcycle</b> 168.123 subd. 1 (2)		Motorcycle owned by Afghan veteran who was awarded the Afghanistan service medal.	205
<b>Veteran: Laos War (Allied Vet)</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (g)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who served in the Laos war between 1 July 1961 and 30 June 1978.	129
<b>Veteran: Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal</b> 168.123 subd. 2 (h)(4)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who received the Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal.	341
<b>Veteran: Bronze Star</b> 168.123 subd. 2 (k)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who is the recipient of the Bronze Star Medal.	605
<b>Veteran: Combat Wounded (Purple Heart)</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (e)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by combat wounded member of the service who received the purple heart medal.	2,204
<b>Veteran: Combat Wounded (Purple Heart) Motorcycle</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (e)		Motorcycle owned by combat wounded member of the service who received the purple heart medal.	40

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>Veteran: Ex-POW</b> 168.125		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, Recreational Vehicle, or motorcycle owned by applicant who is certified by Commissioner of Veterans Affairs as a former prisoner of war.	376
<b>Veteran: Ex-POW (Spouse)</b> 168.125		Surviving spouse of ex-POW may continue to display plates, but must pay regular registration taxes and fees at renewal.	16
<b>Veteran: Global War on Terrorism (Expeditionary)</b> M.S. 168.123 subd. 2 (h)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who was awarded the Global War on Terrorism expeditionary or service medal	2,263
<b>Veteran: Global War on Terrorism (Service)</b> M.S. 168.123 subd. 2 (h)			
<b>Veteran: Global War on Terrorism Motorcycle</b> 168.123, subd. 1 (2)		Motorcycle owned by a veteran who was awarded the Global War on Terrorism expeditionary or service medal.	16
<b>Veteran: Gulf War (Desert Storm)</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (f)	 	Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who was issued SW Asia Service Medal after 1 August 1990 for service during operation Desert Shield, Desert Storm, or other military action in the Persian Gulf area.	2,540
<b>Veteran: Gulf War (Motorcycle)</b> 168.123, subd. 1 (2)		Motorcycle owned by veteran who has been awarded the SW Asia Service Medal after 1 August 1990 for service during operation Desert Shield, Desert Storm, or other military action in the Persian Gulf area.	203

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>Veteran: Iraq War</b> 168.123 subd. 2 (h)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who was awarded the Iraq service medal.	6,616
<b>Veteran: Iraq War Motorcycle</b> 168.123, subd. 1 (2)		Motorcycle owned by veteran who was awarded the Iraq service medal.	599
<b>Veteran: Korea</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (d)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who served in Korean Conflict between 27 June 1950 and 30 January 1955.	1,777
<b>Veteran: Korean Defense Service Medal</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (j)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who received the Korean Defense Service Medal.	92
<b>Veteran: Korean Defense Service Medal (Motorcycle)</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (j)		Motorcycle owned by veteran who received the Korean Defense Service Medal.	4
<b>Veteran: Medal of Honor</b> 168.124		A passenger class vehicle, one-ton pickup Recreational Vehicle, or motorcycle which is not used for commercial purposes and is owned by a recipient of the Medal of Honor	0
<b>Veteran: Pearl Harbor Survivor</b> 168.123, subd 2(b)		Passenger class or Recreational Vehicle owned by a veteran who was stationed on the island of Oahu, Hawaii or offshore during the attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941	15

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>Veteran: Silver Star</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (l)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by veteran who is the recipient of the Silver Star Medal.	45
<b>Veteran: Vietnam</b> 168.123, subd. 2a		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by a veteran who served during the Vietnam Era between 1 July 1961 and 30 June 1978.	10,282
<b>Veteran: Vietnam (Motorcycle)</b> 168.123, subd. 2a		Motorcycle owned by a veteran who served during the Vietnam Era between 1 July 1961 and 30 June 1978	633
<b>Veteran: World War II</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (c)(2)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by a veteran of WWII who served between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946.	838
<b>Veteran: Woman Vet</b> 168.123, subd. 2 (m)		Passenger class, one-ton pickup, or Recreational Vehicle owned by an Honorably discharged Veteran	697
<b>Veteran: Woman Vet motorcycle</b> 168.123 subd. 2 (m)		Motorcycle owned by an Honorably discharged Veteran	13
<b>Volunteer Ambulance Attendant</b> 168.12, subd. 2 (e)		Passenger class vehicle owned by volunteer ambulance attendant as defined under Minn. Stat. 144.8091, subd. 2	1,237

Special Plate Types	Sample Image of License Plate	Criteria for Issuance	Total current in fleet (12/31/16)
<b>VFW, American Legion, &amp; Disabled American Veteran</b> 168.1235		Passenger class or self-propelled RV owned by member of a participating Chartered Veteran organization VFW American Legion or Disabled American Veterans (DAV)	1,437
<b>Sesquicentennial Plates</b> 168.1295 (DISCONTINUED)		<i>Passenger vehicles, one-ton pick-ups, &amp; recreational vehicles</i> <i>One-time \$25 contribution. Discontinued June 30, 2011</i>	915