

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Gold Star License Plates

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on Gold Star License Plates, ch. 341, a proposed guidance document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website:

<https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DMV431>

2. Mailing written comments to:

Division of Motor Vehicles
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
4822 Madison Yards Way
PO Box 7336
Madison, WI 53707-7336

WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsindot.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

AGENCY CONTACT

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Eligibility

Gold Star license plates are available to any Wisconsin motorist who has had an immediate family member (see list below) die while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, or in forces incorporated as part of the U.S. armed forces, if the immediate family member meets any of the criteria specified in

[10 USC 1126\(a\)\(1\) to \(3\)](#) for a gold star lapel button. The qualified individual must be the vehicle owner or lessee, including the trust of a qualifying trust beneficiary. Immediate family member:

- spouse
- grandparent
- parent
- sibling
- child
- stepchild
- stepparent
- grandchild
- spouse of a grandparent, parent, sibling, child, stepchild, stepparent or grandchild

Vehicles that qualify:

- automobiles
- motor homes (annual registration only)
- trucks
 - 4,500, 6,000 or 8,000 pounds gross weight including dual purpose farm and dual purpose motor home
 - 12,000 pounds gross weight farm truck

Things you should know:

- Gold Star license plates can feature regular numbers or a personalized message.
- No issuance fee is required when non-personalized Gold Star plates are issued.
- A \$15 fee is required each year in addition to the regular annual registration fee if you choose to receive personalized Gold Star license plates.
- See below for information about other military related license plates.

For more information, visit [personalized and special plates FAQs](#).

How to apply:

Gold Star license plates are not available at local [DMV customer service centers](#). To apply, send the following items:

1. If the vehicle you want to register with Gold Star plates is already titled/registered in your name, send:
 - A completed Gold Star License Plate Information and Application [□ MV2951](#), including the Affirmation for Gold Star license plates and the complete vehicle description
 - The annual registration fee if your current plates expire within the next three months or you have no plates
 - \$15 personalized plate fee, if applicable
2. If the vehicle is **not** titled/registered in your name, send:
 - A completed Wisconsin Title and License Plates Application [□ MV1](#), or MV11 for dealer sales, including all other fees due. A completed Gold Star License Plate Information and Application [□ MV2951](#) including the Affirmation for Gold Star license plates
 - The Certificate of Title assigned to you by the seller
 - The annual registration fee if you do not have plates or your current plates expire within the next three months
 - \$15 personalized plate fee, if applicable

3. Make the check or money order made payable to: **Registration Fee Trust.**
4. Mail with payment to:
 - Wisconsin Department of Transportation
 - Special Plates Unit
 - P.O. Box 7911
 - Madison WI 53707-7911

Personalized license plates

Personalizing your Gold Star license plates is optional. A \$15 personalized plate fee is required each year in addition to the regular annual registration fee. On the Gold Star License Plate Information and Application [MV2951](#), check which option you would like us to follow if your request is not available. Please allow an additional 4-6 weeks for delivery.

Visit [Personalized plate search](#) to find out if your choice for a personalized license plate is available. WisDOT may refuse to issue, or may recall after issuance, a request that may be offensive to good taste or decency, misleading or conflicts with any other license plate. For more information, visit [personalized and special plates FAQs](#).

For more information:

- [Temporary license plates](#)
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Special Plates Unit

Email [Wisconsin DMV email service](#)

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