New Disabled Plate Designs

Beginning February 1, 2011, SCDMV will begin replacing all disabled veteran license plates with a new design. The new plate will replace your current disabled veteran license plate. When you apply for a new disabled veteran license plate, you may be required to resubmit certification from the Veterans Administration as proof of your eligibility. Please contact SCDMV online at help@scdmvonline.com or call 803-896-5000 to determine if a recertification is needed.

Current Plate



New Plate



Disabled Veteran License Plate

This plate is a free and permanent license plate and is available to individuals who submit proper certification from the Veterans Administration. Applicants must complete DMV Form MV-37, Application for Military License Plate, and provide a letter or other documentation from the U.S., Regional or County Veterans Administration certifying that he or she is war time disabled veteran who: 1) is entitled to compensation for the loss of use of one or both legs or arms, or 2) has a permanent impairment of vision in both eyes to a degree as to constitute virtual blindness and is entitled to a special monthly statutory award by reason thereof, or 3) is a SC veteran classified as totally and permanently disabled due to service-connected disabilities as determined from the medical records on file with the U.S. or county Department of Veterans Affairs. Limit two plates per applicant, either two vehicle plates, two motorcycle plates or one of each. The applicant cannot have four plates. The surviving spouse of a certified disabled veteran may obtain or retain the license plate until remarried. This plate allows free parking at municipal parking meters (SC Code of Laws 56-5-2585) but DOES NOT allow parking in designated handicapped (wheelchair) parking spaces. In order to be able to park in a designated handicapped parking space, qualified disabled veterans must have a Disabled Veteran Handicapped plate displaying a wheelchair emblem (See Disabled Veteran Handicapped Plate below for requirements).

Current Plate



New Plate



Disabled Veteran License Plate Motorcycle

The Disabled Veteran Motorcycle is a free and permanent license plate. Applicants must submit a completed DMV Form MV-37 Application for Military License and a letter or other documentation from the U.S., Regional or County Veterans Administration certifying that he or she is a war time disabled veteran who: 1) is entitled to compensation for the loss of use of one or both legs or arms, or 2) has a permanent impairment of vision in both eyes to a degree as to constitute virtual blindness and is entitled to a special monthly statutory award by reason thereof, or 3) is a SC veteran classified as totally and permanently disabled due to service-connected disabilities as determined from the medical records on file with the U.S. or county Department of Veteran Affairs. Limit two plates per applicant: either two vehicle plates, two motorcycle plates or one of each. The applicant cannot have four plates. There is no registration fee and the plate is available by mail only. This plate DOES NOT allow parking in designated handicapped parking spaces, unless it has a wheelchair decal. Applicants who are also certified permanently handicapped by a licensed physician on DMV form RG-007 Application for Disabled License Plate and Placard with an attached prescription order may receive a wheelchair decal for display on the Disabled Veteran Motorcycle plate that allows the individual to park in designated handicapped parking spaces. Motorcycles that bear a Disabled Veteran license plate (with or without a wheelchair decal) are exempt from the payment of municipal parking meter fees. (SC Code of Laws 56-5-2585)

Current Plate



New Plate



Disabled Veteran License Plate Handicapped

This plate is a free and permanent license plate and is available to individuals who submit proper certification from the Veterans Administration AND who are ALSO certified as permanently handicapped by their physicians. Applicants must submit a completed DMV Form MV-37 Application for Military License and a letter or other documentation from the U.S., Regional or County Veterans Administration certifying that he or she is a war time disabled veteran who: 1) is entitled to compensation for the loss of use of one or both legs or arms, or 2) has a permanent impairment of vision in both eyes to a degree as to constitute virtual blindness and is entitled to a special monthly statutory award by reason thereof, or 3) is a SC veteran classified as totally and permanently disabled due to service-connected disabilities as determined from the medical records on file with the U.S. or county Department of Veterans Affairs. To obtain this plate, applicants must ALSO be certified permanently handicapped by a licensed physician on DMV form RG-007A Disabled License Plate and Placard Application and provide a prescription order from a licensed physician. Limit two plates per applicant: either two vehicle plates, two motorcycle plates or one of each. The applicant cannot have four plates. The surviving spouse of a certified disabled veteran may obtain or maintain the license plate until remarried. However, the surviving spouse must also be certified as disabled by a licensed physician. This plate allows free parking at municipal parking meters (SC Code of Laws 56-5-2585) AND ALSO allows parking in designated handicapped (wheelchair) parking spaces.