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Welcome to the SCDMV

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The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV) continues to provide information about ways dealers and business customers can process transactions, from electronic vehicle registration (EVR) to in-person transactions.

In this issue, you'll find information regarding changes to military license plates, including the mail-in application process and the limitations of transferring certain military plates in EVR after May 6, 2022.

Military License Plates Mail-In Process

On April 18, 2022, the SCDMV centralized the application process for obtaining a military plate. Applications for military plates must be sent by mail to the SCDMV Headquarters in Blythewood for processing.

Customers who wish to obtain a military license plate must mail a completed Application for Military License Plate (MV-37), along with a copy of his or her DD-214, any other required paperwork, and applicable fees the following address:

**SCDMV
Plates
PO Box 1498
Blythewood, SC 29016-0038**

Once the paperwork and payment are received, the SCDMV will process the application, and the appropriate plate will be sent to the customer by mail.

Updated Military License Plates and Requirements

On **May 6, 2022**, the SCDMV will update and expand available military license plates to align with new legislation. Several changes are scheduled, including:

- Many new military plates will be made available for purchase to eligible individuals.
- Several plates will have adjustments to the required fees.
- A new benefit will be added to certain plates that will allow free metered parking in SC.
- Military plates will require validation each year.
- The SCDMV will no longer issue permanent military plates.

An updated [Application for Military License Plates \(MV-37\)](#) will list the benefits of each military plate, as well as what is required to qualify for each plate. Customers can review the updated application on [SCDMV Forms and Manuals](#) on May 6, 2022.

Due to the change in law, **after May 6, 2022**, EVR dealers will not be able to issue first-time military plates through the EVR system.

Dealers will also not be able to transfer certain military plates, nor transfer any permanent military plates for a customer. See below for a list of plates and the corresponding plate classes that are not eligible for transfer via EVR:

- Disabled Veteran: DV, DV1, DV2, DVM, DVM1, DVM2, DVM3
- Handicap Veteran: HV, HV1, HV2, HV3
- Prisoner Of War: PW, PW1, PW2, PWM
- Medal Of Honor: MH
- Medal Of Honor Army: MOHA, MOHA1
- Medal Of Honor Navy: MOHN, MOHN1
- Medal Of Honor Air Force: MOHF, MOHF1
- Purple Heart: PH3
- Palmetto Cross: PA3
- World War II: WW1, WWM

In these cases, the dealer can submit the dealer work to a branch office but must ask the customer to mail the Application for Military License Plate (MV-37) and supporting documents to SCDMV Headquarters.

Online Resources

Up-to-date information about military license plates can be found at

<https://scdmvonline.com/Vehicle-Owners/Registration/License-Plates/Military-Plates>.

View the entire military plates announcement at
<https://scdmvonline.com/News/Military-plates-announcement-2022>.

Download the Application for Military License Plates (SCDMV Form MV-37)* at
<https://scdmvonline.com/-/media/Forms/MV-37.ashx>.

**A new version of the Application for Military License Plates form is set to be published with all available plates on Friday, May 6, 2022.*



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