



Request for Vanity Plates

Registry of Motor Vehicles
P.O. Box 55895 • Boston, MA • 02205-5895
Attn: Special Plates

A. Instructions

Please mail this completed application, a completed Registration and Title Application (RTA) including insurance company stamp, a \$50 vanity plate fee, and a \$20 registration swap fee to the address above. Make the check or money order payable to MassDOT. If your request is approved, your plates will be mailed to the address provided. If your request is denied, you will be mailed a letter with the reason for the denial. It may take up to 60 days from the date of the application for the plates to be manufactured. Once the plates have been manufactured, the \$50 fee is non-refundable.

If you do not already have a vehicle registered with active plates, you will need to apply for vanity plates at an RMV Service Center so a temporary plate can be issued.

B. Applicant Information

Last Name		First Name	Middle Initial	Suffix
Address				
Street		City	State	Zip Code
Driver's License #			Phone #	
Email Address				

C. Plate Type (Please check the box of the plate type you are applying for)

- Passenger Vanity
 Motorcycle Vanity
 Camper Vanity
 Antique Vanity
 Bus Vanity
 Commercial Vanity
 Livery Vanity

D. Requirements

- All vanity plates must start with at least two letters.
- Passenger, Camper, Livery, Bus, and Commercial vanity plates may contain a maximum of six characters (letters or numbers) and a minimum of two characters. Vanity plates for antique vehicles may contain a maximum of four characters and a minimum of two characters. Motorcycle vanity plates may contain a maximum of five characters and a minimum of two characters.
- Numbers cannot be used in the middle of a plate; they must come at the end. For example, AAA222 would be an acceptable Passenger vanity plate; AAA22A would not be acceptable. The first number used cannot be a "0."
- The letters "I," "O," "Q," and "U" can **ONLY** be used as part of a word that is clearly defined and correctly spelled. For example, "LQQK" would not be an acceptable registration number because it is not a correctly spelled word.
- No periods, spaces, or punctuation marks are allowed.
- Letter and/or number combinations that convey an offensive message or appear to duplicate an existing registration plate are not permitted (see below).

Plate Criteria:

- The RMV will not knowingly issue a requested vanity registration plate containing a group of letters or combination of numbers and letters if the plate is either offensive or duplicative of an existing registration. Specifically, the RMV will not issue a requested combination of letters and numbers or letters alone if:
 - Such combination is vulgar in that it is in poor taste or is degrading or is considered a profanity, including a swear or curse word, not usually displayed in the community for general viewing
 - Such combination is derogatory in that it disparages or belittles someone or something
 - Such combination is obscene in that it refers to a sexual body part, a term for or most closely associated with a sex act, or the availability for sex
 - Such combination is an expression of contempt, ridicule, or superiority of a race, religion, deity, ethnic heritage, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or political affiliation

- Such combination is an expression of "fighting words" designed to inflame passions and possibly lead to a violent confrontation
 - Such combination would appear to duplicate a registration already issued
2. The Registrar may reject a requested combination for other reasons if he/she reasonably determines that issuance of the requested combination would be inappropriate as a state-issued registration plate.
 3. It is irrelevant whether offensive material is communicated when reading the vanity plate from left-to-right or from right-to-left, when viewed through a rear-view mirror, or whether it is in a foreign language or in a code which only a small segment of the community may be able to readily decipher.

The Registrar reserves the right to recall a vanity plate that has been issued, even if such registration and plate have been renewed. If the RMV becomes aware that a group of letters or a combination of numbers and letters appears to be offensive in nature, or that a plate appears to duplicate an existing registration, this will be sufficient cause for recall.

E. Plate Request (maximum 6 characters)

(maximum 6 characters)	What is the significance of this combination of letters and/or numbers?
1 st Choice: _____	_____
2nd Choice: _____	_____
3rd Choice: _____	_____

Plates will be mailed to the address provided on the front of this application unless you request they be sent to the following RMV Service Center for pick up.

RMV Service Center: _____

F. Signature

I request that number plates displaying the registration number (in order of preference shown above) be manufactured for assignment to a vehicle owned, co-owned, or leased by me. The plates must be displayed on the registered vehicle or immediately returned to the RMV.

I understand that by law, registration plates issued by the RMV remain the property of the Registrar and any unauthorized transfer of the plates, including the sale of a plate or plates, may result in suspension of registration privileges for my vehicle for up to 30 days and a transferee or buyer will not be able to register his/her vehicle with the plates. (NOTE: you may also be subject to legal action by an aggrieved buyer.) (Refer to 540 CMR Sections 2.05(4)(q)). The Registrar reserves the right to deny or revoke a vanity plate at any time.

I swear (affirm), under the penalties of perjury, that the information I have provided is true and correct. I am aware that false statements are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.

Signature: _____ Date: _____