

Having served in the U.S. Armed Forces — first as a paratrooper in the Army's 101st Airborne Division, then later as a member of the Illinois National Guard, I understand the sacrifices veterans make for our country and share their pride.



My office offers several military license plates to honor those who have served this great country. If you qualify for any of these special military plate categories, I encourage you to proudly display these plates on your vehicle and get the recognition you deserve.

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Secretary of State

Registration and Fee Information

Military plates may be displayed on passenger vehicles, trucks and vans weighing 8,000 pounds or less, and motorcycles (except Gold Star).

- Military plate fees vary and are subject to standard registration and replacement plate fees.
- Most military plates are available in vanity or personalized **at no extra cost**.
- Congressional Medal of Honor, Disabled Veteran and Ex-Prisoner of War plates are available **at no cost for the first set of plates**.
- Circuit Breaker recipients are eligible for reduced registration fees for most military plates (except Afghanistan, Congressional Medal of Honor, Ex-Prisoner of War, POW/MIA, Iraq and West Point Bicentennial).
- Some military plates require additional fees upon original issuance and/or renewal. Please refer to individual military plate request forms for complete fee schedules.

For military documentation, please contact:

Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs

833 S. Spring St., Springfield, IL 62794-9432
217-782-3418 • 800-437-9824

Veterans Administration Regional Office

536 S. Clark St., Chicago, IL 60605
312-663-5519 • 800-827-1000

National Personnel Records Center

9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63132

Military License Plates

To purchase military plates, please submit the appropriate request form along with your license plates registration or renewal application, the required military documentation and any applicable fees to the address below. **Forms are available at www.cyberdriveillinois.com (click Publications, Military Plates) or by contacting:**

Illinois Secretary of State

Non-Standard Plates Section
501 S. Second St., Rm. 541
Springfield, IL 62756
217-785-4175

Military plates also may be requested through Pick-a-Plate at www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

(Veteran status must already be filed through the Secretary of State in order to request military plates online.)



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Afghanistan Campaign

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Afghanistan Campaign medal may apply.

Armed Forces Reserves

Any Illinois resident who is an active or former member of the Armed Forces Reserves, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Army Veteran

Any Illinois resident who has served in the U.S. Army may apply.

Bronze Star

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Bronze Star medal, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Congressional Medal of Honor

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Disabled Veteran

Any U.S. Armed Forces veteran who has a military-service disability and a licensed physician has certified that because of the service-connected disability, the veteran qualifies for issuance of a disabled license plate (625 ILCS 5/3-616). Vehicles displaying these plates may park in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities.

Ex-Prisoner of War

Any U.S. citizen who was a prisoner of war while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces or with any of its allies, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Gold Star

Any Illinois resident who is a surviving widow/widower or parent of a person who lost his/her life while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces during peacetime or war may apply. The widow/widower and each parent, or in the absence of a parent, one sibling, may be issued one set of plates.

Illinois National Guard

Any Illinois resident who is an active or former member of the Illinois National Guard, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Iraq Campaign

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Iraq Campaign medal may apply.

Korean Service

Any Illinois resident who participated in the U.S. Armed Forces on or after July 27, 1954, in Korea may apply.

Korean War Veteran

Any Illinois resident who served in the U.S. Armed Forces between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1954, or who has been awarded the Korean War Service Medal or Korean Service Bonus may apply.

Marine Corps

Any Illinois veteran who is an active or former member of the U.S. Marine Corps may apply.

Navy Veteran

Any Illinois resident who has served in the U.S. Navy may apply.

Paratrooper

Any Illinois resident who has completed paratrooper training while a member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply.

Pearl Harbor Survivor

Any Illinois resident who served at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

POW/MIA Illinois Remembers

These plates honor Illinois residents who were prisoners of war or missing in action while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Any Illinois resident may apply and no special military documentation is required.

Purple Heart

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Purple Heart medal, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Purple Heart Motorcycle

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Purple Heart medal, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Retired Armed Forces

Any Illinois resident who is a retired member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply.

Service Cross

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Service Cross by a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces, namely the Air Force, Army or Navy, or a surviving spouse may apply.

Silver Star

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Silver Star medal, or a surviving spouse, may apply.

Universal Veteran

Any Illinois resident who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces may apply. Branch of service and/or theater of action decals are available at the American Legion, Department of the Adjutant.

Universal Veteran Motorcycle

Any Illinois resident who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces may apply.

Vietnam Veteran

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Vietnam service medal may apply.

West Point Bicentennial

These plates commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of West Point Military Academy in New York. Any Illinois resident may apply and no special military documentation is required.

Women Veterans

Any Illinois female resident who is an active or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply.

World War II Veteran

Any Illinois resident who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II may apply.

Documentation verifying military status or receipt of medal is required for most military plates. Documentation may include DD Form 214, DD Form 2, separation papers, Veterans Administration award letter or other military documents verifying service record. All military plate applications will be verified with the Department of Veterans' Affairs before plates are issued.

