

Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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Pennsylvania New Registration Plate Design

As announced by Governor Shapiro, Pennsylvania will be transitioning to a new registration plate design. This new registration plate will be available in the Spring of 2025.

The new design will feature Pennsylvania as the birthplace of America, the Liberty Bell in the background and the text, “Let Freedom Ring” printed at the bottom of the plate and “Pennsylvania” at the top of the plate.



When the new plate is available, customers may apply for a replacement registration plate and pay all applicable fees. The first plates that will be available will be the standard issue registration plates. Customers that wish to keep their current configuration, may have the configuration placed on the new style plate. However, the replacement and personalization fee may be required. Additional information will be announced when registration plates with the new design are available.

All Agents will continue to use their current temp plate inventory. When that inventory of the previous style standard issue registration plates is exhausted, you will begin receiving the new style temporary registration plates.

If you a customer is interested in applying for the new style plate when it is available, they can sign up to be notified by going to www.dmv.pa.gov and click on the sign-up page for the new style plate.

Below are question and answers in case a customer has questions regarding the new style registration plate:

Q: Will I have to get a new registration plate?

A: No, the old-style registration plates will remain active/valid and will not need replaced with the new design at this time.

Q: Will this be a complete reissuance effort?

A: No, the plate is just being redesigned. This is not a new reissuance program.

Q: Can I get the new registration plate to replace my current registration plate?

A: Yes, when the new registration plate is available, registrants can apply for a replacement registration plate and pay all applicable fees. More details about the fees will be available on our website closer to when the new style registration plates will be available. The first plates that will be available as replacements will be the standard plates. Specialty plates will be made available as current design registration plate inventories are depleted.

Q: Can I get a new registration plate design with my current registration plate's configuration?

A: If the current registration plate is a standard issue or a specialty plate with a standard configuration, the plate, the configuration can be placed on the new style plate; however, the fee for personalization will be required. Please sign up at www.dmv.pa.gov for updates.

If you have a personalized plate, please sign on for updates on how to update your plate. You [can sign up now](#) for updates.

Q: Will this have any impact on the current decentralized/dealer replacement of the standard issues D, E, F, G, H, J and Y series plates?

A: No, the current reissuance efforts will continue. As the new plate design becomes available, they will enter into the inventory supply chain.

Q: Is it possible to have the same license plate configuration on the current and new plates, which would result in the same plate configuration on two different cars?

A: Each vehicle registered with PennDOT has a unique plate configuration assigned to it. The same plate configuration cannot be in use on more than one vehicle. In other words, someone else cannot have the same plate configuration as you in either the current or new style plate.

Q: Can someone request my vanity plate configuration in the new plate style?

A: No, the same plate configuration cannot be in use on more than one vehicle. If an individual were to request the same vanity plate configuration, they would receive notification the requested plate configuration is not available.

When the new plates become available, if someone purchases a plate with the new design to replace an existing plate, the previous license plate assigned to that vehicle will be deactivated in PennDOT's system. Vehicle owners should destroy and recycle the old plate, or they can return these plates to PennDOT at Return Tags, P.O. Box 68597, Harrisburg, PA 17106 to be recycled.

Q: Will there be any issues with law enforcement or the PA Turnpike/EZ Pass?

A: The plate meets PennDOT production and legibility requirements and was also approved by PA State Police and the PA Turnpike.

Q: How much will these plates cost?

A: The current replacement fee for most plates is \$13. There may be additional fees if personalization is requested, or another style plate is requested. PennDOT will document the fees on its website at the time of release of the new plates.

Q: What are you doing with any leftover blue and yellow plates?

A: PennDOT will closely monitor plate inventories and production in the months ahead as the department prepares to produce the new plate. All plates produced with the current design will be distributed.