

DMVQ PRINTABLE CHECKLIST

Military & Veterans Services Checklist

Use this before visiting DMVQ for the Armed Forces designation, military plates, or veteran benefits.




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What this guide covers


The official DMV or BMV offices handle licenses, IDs, registration, plates, and placards for military families. Vehicle titles are issued at a County Clerk of Courts title office, not the BMV.


BRING THESE


Bring your service proof

-  **DD-214 or proof of service**
The most common proof, showing honorable or general discharge. A Certificate of Honorable Discharge or county-issued Veteran ID may also work.

-  **VA rating or award letter**
If claiming a veteran-disability plate or plate-related fee benefit.

-  **Current Ohio license or ID**
For adding the Armed Forces designation at renewal or duplicate.

-  **Title or memo title and insurance**
For registration work, bring your Ohio title or memorandum title and proof of insurance.

-  **Payment**
For any standard credential or registration fee that still applies.

DECISION POINT

Which benefit are you here for?

Armed Forces designation

The emblem itself is free. You pay only the normal issuance, renewal, or duplicate fee. Bring your DD-214.

Military or veteran plates

No additional annual plate fee on most. Eligibility is documentation-based, so order in person and the state mails the plate.

Disability benefits

Veterans with Disabilities and Purple Heart Disability plates may waive registration fees on the qualifying vehicle. Bring your VA documentation.

AT THE VISIT

Simple steps

- 1** Gather your DD-214 and any VA rating or award letter.

- 2** Decide on the designation, a plate, or both, and add the designation at a renewal or duplicate so you do not pay twice.

- 3** Have staff verify your documents and place the order.

- 4** Watch the mail for plates, and keep your current plates on until they arrive.

Avoid a return trip

Do not leave the DD-214 at home, almost every military benefit needs proof of service.

Do not expect military plates over the counter, the state manufactures and mails them.

Do not bring title questions here, titles are handled at the County Clerk of Courts.

For illustrative purposes only. This DMVQ guide is a plain-language planning aid. Requirements, fees, and eligibility are subject to change and may not reflect the most up to date information. Verify current requirements at bmv.ohio.gov or call an official DMV or BMV office before visiting.

OFFICIAL SOURCES

- | Ohio BMV military and veterans
- | Ohio BMV military license plates

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Web guide: dmvq.com/military-veterans-services

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