

DMVQ PRINTABLE CHECKLIST

New & Specialty Plates Checklist

Use this before ordering standard, specialty, or personalized plates at an official DMV or BMV office.








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Online or in person

Eligible plates may be available through official Ohio BMV online services. Visit in person to submit eligibility documents or to keep your current number.

BRING THESE

Bring to order your plates

-  **Photo ID**
Ohio driver license or state ID.
-  **Registration and plate number**
Your current registration or plate number if the vehicle is already plated.
-  **Proof of Ohio insurance**
Current insurance for the vehicle being plated.
-  **Eligibility documents**
DD-214 or medical certification for military, veteran, or accessible plates. BMV 4705 for special-interest designs.
-  **Payment**
Annual plate fee plus any transaction and registration fees.

DECISION POINT

Standard, specialty, or personalized?

Standard

Random state-assigned number, no extra annual plate fee.

Specialty

Collegiate and pro-sports plates run \$35.00 a year, organizational designs \$0 to \$50.00, military and accessible plates add nothing.

Personalized

Choose 4 to 7 characters for a \$50.00 annual fee. Check availability before you order.

AT THE VISIT

Simple steps

- 1** Pick your design and check personalized-character availability.
- 2** Gather eligibility documents and payment.
- 3** Complete the order at the counter, with form BMV 4705 if needed.
- 4** Watch the mail, specialty and personalized plates are manufactured and mailed.

Avoid a return trip

Do not forget that specialty and personalized fees recur every year at renewal.

Do not arrive without eligibility documents for military, veteran, or accessible plates.

Do not expect specialty plates at the counter, most are mailed within a few weeks.

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 special interest plates
- | Ohio BMV documents and fees

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