



# Iowa Department of Transportation

## GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATE APPLICATION

Dept. Use Only		
CK# _____	Amt: _____	GC# _____
Date: _____	Order # _____	
Plate # Issued: _____	By _____	

**Issued to:**

- An owner who is the surviving spouse, parent, child, or sibling of a deceased member of the United States Armed Forces who died while serving on "active" duty during a time of military conflict.

**Requirements:**

- Personalized plate choices must have at least 2 characters and may consist of up to 5 characters and the numbers (1-6). No punctuation marks are allowed.
- The owner of the vehicle must be a surviving spouse, parent, child, or sibling of a deceased member of the United States Armed Forces who died while serving on "active duty" during a time of military conflict or who died as a result of such service. The application must be accompanied with satisfactory supporting documentation approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs. *(This information will also be required before a gift certificate can be issued.) Please see Page 2.*

**Restrictions:**

- Personalized plates shall not duplicate combinations of characters as listed:  
**000AA through 999ZZ      AA000 through ZZ999      A000 through Z999**  
**0000A through 9999Z      A0000 through Z9999      Numbers Only**
- Denote governmental agencies.
- The Department shall not issue any combination of characters it determines is: Sexual in connotation; a term of vulgarity, contempt, prejudice, hostility, insult, or racial or ethnic degradation; recognized as a swear word; a reference to an illegal substance or to a criminal act; offensive or a foreign word falling into any of these categories; or those that conflict with the regular license numbering system.

**Vehicle Types Eligible:**

- Passenger      • Truck      • Travel Trailer      • Motorcycle/Small Trailer      • Large Trailer

**Numbered Plates:**

- \$25 plate fee with an annual validation fee of \$5 plus annual registration renewal fee (The \$25 plate fee and the \$5 annual validation fee will be credited to the Veterans License Fee Fund supporting the Iowa Commission of Veteran Affairs).

**Personalized Plates (complete section C) :**

- \$50 plate fee with an annual validation fee of \$5 plus annual vehicle registration fee.(\$25 of the personalized plate fee plus the \$5 annual validation fee to be credited to the Veterans License Fee Fund supporting the Iowa Commission of Veteran Affairs).

**How to apply:** (The Office of Veterans Affairs will forward approved applications to the Department of Transportation, Office of Vehicle Services for processing.) **Make checks payable to: Iowa Department of Transportation.**

Application(s) **must** be submitted for approval to: Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Camp Dodge, Bldg A6A  
7105-NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, IA 50131-1824

**Approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs: Signature of Veterans Affairs:**

Designee \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**A. REASON FOR APPLYING**

- New Application
- Reinstatement - Plate Needed
- Reinstatement Only - No Plate Needed

**APPLYING FOR:**

- Numbered Plate
- Personalized Plate

**B. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current Plate # \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
County Residing In \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

(Attach a copy of the lease agreement, if leased)

**C. TYPE OF LICENSE PLATE TO BE ISSUED**

To order a plate you will need to determine the vehicle type: Passenger vehicles include automobiles, vans, multipurpose vehicles and motor homes.

**Check Vehicle Type:**  Passenger     Truck     Travel Trailer     Motorcycle/Small Trailer     Large Trailer

FIRST CHOICE	SECOND CHOICE	THIRD CHOICE	FOURTH CHOICE	FIFTH CHOICE
Meaning:	Meaning:	Meaning:	Meaning:	Meaning:

**D. GIFT CERTIFICATE** (Complete if ordering plate as a gift.)

- Gift certificate only     Plate choice ordered (complete section C)

From \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

The Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs needs sufficient official documentation showing the lineage of the applicant to the deceased veteran and documentation that the veteran is deceased due to military service.

Documentation that the veteran died as a result of military service:

- \* Report of Casualty;
- \* Military Certificate of Death (Overseas);
- \* Beneficiary's Application for (War) Service Compensation State of Iowa; or
- \* Federal Veterans Affairs rating indicating a service-connected death.

AND

Pertinent documentation indicating relationship to the deceased veteran:

- \* Birth certificate(s)
- \* Marriage certificate
- \* Adoption records
- \* One of the above deceased veteran documents proving the service-connected death, that has the applicant's name on it.