Hobbyist License Plates Information and Application

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Things you should know

To qualify for Hobbyist plates, **you must own or lease at least one other motor vehicle for regular transportation** with current, valid registration in Wisconsin under the same name(s) as the Hobbyist vehicle. Complete section **C**.

Hobbyist plates are non-expiring for as long as you own the Hobbyist vehicle. **Vehicles with Hobbyist plates cannot be operated during the month of January unless a special temporary plate is purchased** (form MV2750).

If you previously had a Hobbyist plate, and no longer own the vehicle, pay the same fee as when applying for a second or subsequent hobbyist registration. See Fee Schedule.

WisDOT assigns a hobbyist number to each vehicle hobbyist. That number, plus an alpha character, is issued to other hobbyist vehicles owned by the same person. Motorcycle plates may be given a different plate number due to the character limit count. **Hobbyist plates cannot be personized.** Hobbyist plates cannot be issued with a disabled parking designation. For second or subsequent plates, allow approximately 3–4 weeks for the manufacturing process after the Certificate of Registration has been issued. Truck-type vehicles with Hobbyist plates cannot haul more than 500 pounds. To determine the gross vehicle weight, use the weight of the vehicle, full tank of gas, driver, passengers, any load you plan to carry.

Homemade/Reconstructed Vehicle (Trans 131.03 (12))

Emission test inspections are required on most hobbyist qualifying vehicles 1996 and newer kept in counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Washington and Waukesha. Emission test inspection must be completed no more than 45 days from the date of Hobbyist Plate registration issuance or plate transfer, or within 45 days of the date of an ownership change registration issuance, unless the vehicle passed inspection within 180 days prior to change of ownership.

For homemade and reconstructed vehicles, you may choose your vehicle's engine as the year of manufacture date. If you are requesting a waiver for emissions testing based on the year of the engine, and you are unable to provide the engine year, you will receive a Letter of Directive for an State Patrol vehicle inspection.

If you have questions about this application:
- » Call: (608) 266-3041
- » Fax: (608) 267-5106
- » Email: *special-plates.dmv@dot.wi.gov*

How to apply

- Complete and sign application
  - » Select appropriate options that apply
  - » Give complete description of vehicle in section **A**
  - » Give owner information in section **B**
  - » Give complete description of vehicle registered in Wisconsin used for regular transportation in section **C**
- **Send your original title** (not a photocopy). If the vehicle is not titled in your name, send a completed title application (MV1 or MV11), title signed by Seller and fees, including Hobbyist registration fees
- For reconstructed vehicles, include a copy of your bill of sale
- Using the Fee Schedule, determine Hobbyist registration fees. **No** credit is given from current registration. If you are transferring a Hobbyist plate, you must pay the fee shown in the "Transfer" column. Make check or money order payable to: **Registration Fee Trust**
- **Mail all required items with signed application to:**

  WisDOT Special Plates
  P.O. Box 7911
  Madison, WI 53707-7911

Hobbyist plates are not available or processed at DMV Customer Service Centers. However, Customer Service Centers can issue temporary plates while the application is being processed. This does not guarantee the issuance of hobbyist plates. Operation of this vehicle is prohibited upon public highways without proper registration displayed

Fee Schedule

Vehicle Type	Gross Vehicle Weight	First Hobbyist Plate Issuance	Subsequent Plate Issuance or Transfer
Automobile	—	$220	$170
Truck/Bus	Up to 6,000	$250	$200
	Over 6,000	$262	$212
Motorcycle/Moped	—	$73	$23
Motor Home	Up to 5,000	$147	$97
	Over 5,000	$160	$110
Truck Tractor	Up to 6,000	$286	$236
	Over 6,000	$298	$248

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Check all options

☐ Applying for first Hobbyist plate

☐ Currently hold Hobbyist license plate series:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

☐ Wish to transfer Hobbyist license plate number:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Need replacement Hobbyist plate:

☐ $2.00 Motorcycle/Moped ☐ $4.00 All others

Release of non exempt information

Under Wisconsin open records law, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation must provide information from its records to requesters.

If you do not want your name and address included in requests we receive for ten or more records, you may ask the department to withhold your name and address from those lists by checking the box below.

☐ Opt Out

ADA - The Wisconsin Department of Transportation complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Check one

☐ **STREET MODIFIED VEHICLE OR MOTORCYCLE**

- Must be at least 20 years old
- Recognizable as the original year and make
- Has been altered from the original version

☐ **REPLICA VEHICLE (Other than Motorcycle)**

- Must replicate a vehicle at least 20 years old
- Replicates of a vehicle originally made by a manufacturer
- Indicate year and make vehicle is a replica of in Section A

☐ **RECONSTRUCTED VEHICLE OR MOTORCYCLE**

- Must be constructed from a vehicle at least 20 years old
- Substantially altered and no longer recognizable as the original vehicle
- Application must include bills of sale for all major parts used in the construction of the vehicle
- May need an inspection by a Wisconsin State Patrol inspector DMV will send a Letter of Directive for an inspection

☐ **HOMEMADE VEHICLE OR MOTORCYCLE**

- Must be at least 20 years old
- Must have been constructed from new or used parts
- May not resemble a previously manufactured motor vehicle (except motorcycles)
- May need an inspection by a Wisconsin State Patrol inspector DMV will send a Letter of Directive for an inspection

Invisible disability notice to law enforcement form: *wisconsindmv.gov/inv-dis* or at DMV Service Centers

A	Hobbyist Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Year	Make	Body Style	**Gross Vehicle Weight** if Truck, Former Military Vehicle or Motor Home
	Engine Identification Number **Homemade/Reconstructed Vehicle Only** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Year	Only for homemade/reconstructed, if you are requesting a waiver for emissions testing based on the year of the engine, and you are unable to provide the engine year, you will receive an Letter of Directive for an inspection to verify the year of the engine.		
	Replica Vehicle Identification Number **Replica Vehicle Only** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Year	Make	Model Being Replicated	
B	Owner(s) Name – Last, First, Middle Initial – Print	Driver License Number or (if company owned) FEIN Number 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17			
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	Address	City	State	ZIP Code	
	Telephone Number where you may be reached 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Email Address			
C REQUIRED	Regular Transportation Vehicle Identification (VIN) Number(s) – if applying jointly, other than spouse or same-sex domestic partner, each must show a vehicle	Year	Make	Plate	

I (we) certify that the information is true and correct and the Hobbyist vehicle described above meets all of the safety equipment standards of Ch.347 Wisconsin Statutes and Transportation Rule 305 – Standards for Vehicle Equipment.

X _____ (Owner Signature) (Date)

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