

* * * Vehicles Eligible to Display Vanity, Low Number Plates * * *

Sec. 2. 23 V.S.A. § 304 is amended to read:

§ 304. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES; NUMBER PLATES; VANITY AND OTHER
SPECIAL PLATES

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(b) The authority to issue vanity motor vehicle number plates or special number plates for safety organizations and service organizations shall reside with the Commissioner.

Determination of compliance with the criteria contained in this section shall be within the discretion of the Commissioner. Series of number plates for safety and service organizations which are authorized by the Commissioner shall be issued in order of approval, subject to the operating considerations in the Department as determined by the Commissioner. The

Commissioner shall issue vanity and special organization number plates in the following manner:

(1) Vanity plates. Subject to the restrictions of this section, vanity plates shall be issued at the request of the registrant of a motor vehicle ~~registered at the pleasure car rate or of a truck registered for less than 26,001 pounds (but excluding trucks unless the vehicle is registered under the International Registration Plan)~~, upon application and upon payment of an annual fee of \$45.00 in addition to the annual fee for registration. The Commissioner shall not issue two sets of plates bearing the same initials or letters unless the plates also contain a distinguishing number. Vanity plates are subject to reassignment if not renewed within 60 days of expiration of the registration.

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1 (c) The Commissioner shall issue registration numbers 101 through 9999, which shall be
2 known as reserved registration numbers, for pleasure cars ~~or~~, motor trucks that are registered at
3 the pleasure car rate, motorcycles, and motor-driven cycles in the following manner:

4 (1) A person holding a reserved registration number ~~between 101 and 9999~~ may retain the
5 number for the ensuing registration period, provided application is made ~~prior to or within~~ at
6 least 60 days of the prior to expiration of the registration.

7 (2) If the registrant does not renew the registration, the number may be reassigned to a
8 member of the immediate family if application is made ~~within~~ at least 60 days of the prior to
9 expiration of the registration. As used herein, “immediate family” means the spouse, household
10 member, grandparents, parents, siblings, children, or grandchildren of the registrant.

11 (3) The Commissioner shall restrict the issuance of these registrations to residents of this
12 State and may restrict issuance to applicants who do not already have such a registration issued
13 to them.

14 (4) A person holding a reserved registration number ~~between 101 and 9999~~ on a pleasure
15 car ~~may also have the same number on a~~, a truck that is registered at the pleasure car rate, ~~and~~
16 ~~vice versa~~ a motorcycle, or a motor-driven cycle may be issued the same reserved registration
17 number for any or all of the other authorized vehicle types, provided that the person receives no
18 more than one such plate or set of plates for each authorized vehicle type.

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