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U.S. Government License Plates
Circle of Life for License Plates

1: Manufacture & Shipment

2: Received at Agency

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5: Plates Shredded at UNICOR and Recycled

FMVRS
What Has Changed With Federal License Plates?

- License Plates Have an Expiration Date (8 years)
- All Plates are Registered in FMVRS & Tracked From Manufacturer Until Destroyed
- License Plates Must be Returned to UNICOR for Destruction
- Plates Cannot be Reassigned to Another Vehicle – Use Once and Return for Destruction
- Law Enforcement Can Check Registration and Status
- There is a New Plate Design
What is the New Federal License Plate Design?

Agency Prefix

Expiration Date (8yrs)

“T” = Trailer (recommended)

Agency Logo or Text

Bar Code (optional)
Why the Changes?

National Security
What Was Federal Vehicle Registration Like Prior to FMVRS?

- Decentralized Records
- Slow Response to Inquiries
- Plates Manufactured at Several Locations
- No Record of License Plate Destruction
- No Link to NLETS
What role does the GSA Office of Government-wide Policy play?

- Provides Guidance to Executive Agencies for Managing U.S. Government License Plates
- Establishes License Plate Codes (prefixes)
What are the Rules for Display of U.S. Government License Plates on Federal Vehicles?

- U.S. Government license plates must be displayed on the front and rear of all Government motor vehicles.
- Exception: Two-wheeled motor vehicles and trailers, which require rear license plates only.
What are the exemptions from displaying a U.S. Government license plate?

- Exemption is by written certification by the head of your agency that identifying the motor vehicle would endanger the security of the vehicle occupants or otherwise compromise the agency mission.

- Vehicles used primarily for investigative, law enforcement, intelligence or security duties, have an exemption from displaying U.S. Government license plates when this would interfere with those duties.
What established UNICOR as the provider of license plates?

- GSA has established a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on behalf of all Federal agencies with UNICOR for the procurement of official U.S. Government license plates.

- Agency fleet managers can obtain U.S. Government license plates by contacting the U.S. Department of Justice, UNICOR.
What Role Does UNICOR Play?

- Sets up an account for each agency purchasing license plates
- Provides an ordering web page for each agency
- Produces and ships license plates
- Remakes damaged plates (must return the damaged plate)
- Transfers license plate records to FMVRS
- Shreds returned plates and provides certificate of destruction

Note: There is no charge to your agency for the return shipment of license plates to UNICOR.
What Kind of Plates are Available?

Sedan / Truck, Trailer, Motorcycle:
Can I Put U.S. Government Plates on Equipment?

For construction, agricultural, and material handling equipment, as well as off-road vehicles (such as ATVs), use “Off Road” and Equipment Identification plates – Not U.S. Government license plates.

Note: Off Road plates are NOT registered in FMVRS. The agency must keep track of the plate assignments.
Ordering License Plates From UNICOR

- How Do I Order License Plates?
- How is license plate numbering accomplished?
- How can FMVRS license plate records be loaded into my bureau?
Ordering U.S. Government License Plates

Go to [WWW.UNICOR.GOV](http://www.unicor.gov) and click on the blue Login/Register button
Select License Plate Store
Choose New Tags or Replacement Tags. Use the “Copy Your List” feature to copy a list of plate numbers from a spreadsheet, etc. Then select the plate(s) you need to buy.
Choose Item & Quantity

Select Pairs or Single Plates & Quantity
Check Out Process

Plates have been added to the cart and Freight has been included.

Click Check Out when complete.

Contact Us
Completing License Plate Order

Additional shipping addresses can be added.

Bureau code should be put in this box and it should be entered just like this: Bureau Code: 04

Verify everything one last time, then Complete delivery instructions and Click Continue.
What role does GSA’s Office of Motor Vehicle Management play?

- Develops and operates the Federal Motor Vehicle Registration System
- First “DMV” for the Federal Government
- Provides instant information to law enforcement through “NLETS”
- Currently contains records for over 600,000 vehicles
- USPS vehicles added recently
How do I find my license plates in the FMVRS?

A Listing of all license plate records can be found in the Reports Menu under Agency License Plate Inventory.
The reports can be customized...

- Limit selections to specified Bureau and Office Codes
- Exclude GSA Leased inventory
- Select only specific status (SH or RC)
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Filtering the vehicle inventory report gives the records for vehicles with no plate assigned.
How Do I “attach” a plate to a vehicle record?
What do I do in FMVRS when a plate is missing?
Immediately update license plate status in FMVRS...
Besides Changing the Status in FMVRS, What Else Should I do When a Plate is Missing?

You must report the loss or theft of U.S. Government license plates immediately to your local security office (or equivalent), local police, and to GSA Fleet when a GSA Fleet leased motor vehicle is involved.
How is Law Enforcement Involved in the Recovery of Missing License Plates?

National Law Enforcement Telecommunications Service (NLETS): FMVRS sends a message to NLETS that is relayed to Law Enforcement Officer when querying on a missing plate.

GSA Office of the Inspector General:
GSA OIG Office of Investigations can provide investigative assistance to Federal, State, Local or military law enforcement.

Federal Protective Service:
What are My Responsibilities for the Management of U.S. Government License Plates?

- Ensure that all U.S. Government license plates, both new & old design, are registered in FMVRS

- Change the status in FMVRS upon receipt
  - “Received” if placing in storage
  - “attached” when mounting on a vehicle
    (You have a 2 week window - then notices are sent.)

- Safeguard license plates in your possession

- Return all excess plates to UNICOR for destruction

- Change FMVRS status & report missing/stolen plates
Remember...

Change the status in FMVRS immediately when a plate is missing (today...not tomorrow)

Can be changed back if the plate is found.
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How do I Get Help With License Plates?

Use of FMVRS:
Contact the FMVRS Help Desk:
866-472-6711 gsafleet@gsa.gov

License Plate Ordering:
Contact UNICOR at:
800-827-3168 CUSGDLP@central.unicor.gov

License Plate Policy:
Contact the Office of Government-wide Policy at: Vehicle.Policy@GSA.Gov
Questions?
The End

Thank You