

Driver and Vehicle Services Update

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Act 109, New License Plates

Act 109 of 2014 was signed into law July 2, 2014, and a portion of the Act will be effective October 30, 2014. This Act amends multiple sections of Title 75 as follows:

- Section 1353.1 was added to allow for the Pennsylvania Monuments special fund registration plate. This registration plate falls in the family of plates and has an image of the Pennsylvania memorial monument at the Gettysburg National Military Park. The words "Gettysburg 1863" are displayed at the bottom. The Pennsylvania Monuments special fund registration plate can be issued to a passenger car, truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds, motorhome or trailer. The fee, for a Pennsylvania Monuments registration plate is \$54 with \$23 of the proceeds going to the Veterans' Trust Fund to be used exclusively to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for the cleaning, repair and restoration of monuments by the Gettysburg National Military Park. This registration plate may also be personalized for an additional \$100.
- Section 1355.1 was added to allow for the Pennsylvania Hunting Heritage special organization plate. This registration plate falls in the family of plates and has an image of a white tailed deer. Application for the Pennsylvania Hunting Heritage registration plate is provided by the Game Commission under PennDOT's Special Organization Plate Program and can be issued to a passenger car, truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds or a motor home. The fee for a Pennsylvania Hunting Heritage registration plate is \$25 in addition to a fee charged by the Game Commission. This registration plate may also be personalized for an additional \$100.
- Section 1357.1 was amended to expand the eligibility of service for those applying for a Merchant Marine registration plate. A Merchant Marine registration plate may be issued to any person who was in the service of the United States Merchant Marine during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam Conflict or any of the Gulf Wars, including Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Desert Shield. All other requirements related to this registration plate remain the same.
- Section 1369.1 was added to allow for five new military registration plates. The registration plates fall in the family of plates and have an image of the appropriate military badge, medal or ribbon on each individual registration plate. These new military registration plates can be issued to a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds. The fee for the registration plates is \$20. This registration plate may also be personalized for an additional \$100. The five new military registration plates are:
 - Combat Action Badge
 - o Combat Infantryman Badge

- o Combat Action Ribbon
- o Combat Action Medal
- Combat Medical Badge
- Section 1369.2 was added to allow for the In God We Trust registration plate. This registration plate falls in the family of plates and has an image of an eagle on the registration plate. The In God We Trust registration plate can be issued to a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds. The fee for an In God We Trust registration plate is \$20. This registration plate may also be personalized for an additional \$100.

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