

**RULES
OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
VEHICLE SERVICES DIVISION**

**CHAPTER 1320-08-04
PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES**

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1320-08-04-.01 ISSUANCE OF PLATES.

The application for a plate must be filed with the owner's or lessee's resident county clerk, and must be supported by a photocopy of form DD-214 or WWK 53-55, or any other similar document issued by the Department of Defense and approved by the Commissioner of Revenue which shows receipt of a Purple Heart by the applicant. The county clerk will issue the plate, and forward a copy of the supporting documentation with the application to the Motor Vehicle Division.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 55-2-103, 55-4-205, 55-4-239, and 67-1-102; Executive Order Number 37 (2000); and Executive Order 36 (2006). **Administrative History:** Original chapter 1340-05 transferred from chapter 1320-08 under the authority of Executive Order Number 37 dated June 29, 1990. Original chapter 1320-08 transferred from chapter 1340-05 under the authority of Executive Order Number 36 dated April 19, 2006.

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1320-08-04-.03 LOST OR DEFACED PLATES.

If a special plate shall become lost or defaced, the special plate may be replaced upon payment of the regular replacement fee set forth in T.C.A. § 55-4-103.

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1320-08-04-.04 DEATH OF A RECIPIENT.

Upon the death of a recipient of a Purple Heart special plate, the plate shall be surrendered to the local county clerk. A regular plate may be obtained by a surviving spouse for the remainder of that year without payment of an additional fee.

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1320-08-04-.05 BUSINESS INTERESTS OF RECIPIENT.

The registration of the special plate must be in the name and for the individual use of the recipient. The Division shall not issue a special plate in the name of or for use by a corporation, partnership or professional corporation regardless of whether a recipient has an interest in such entity.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 55-2-103, 55-4-205, and 67-1-102; Executive Order Number 37 (2000); and Executive Order 36 (2006). **Administrative History:** Original chapter 1340-05 transferred from chapter 1320-08 under the authority of Executive Order Number 37 dated June 29, 1990. Original chapter 1320-08 transferred from chapter 1340-05 under the authority of Executive Order Number 36 dated April 19, 2006.

1320-08-04-.06 REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE BY LESSEE.

The registration may be issued to a recipient of a Purple Heart in his capacity as a lessee if the registrar is provided with documentation showing that authority to register the vehicle in the recipient's name has been granted to the recipient by the lessor.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 55-2-103, 55-4-205, and 67-1-102; Executive Order Number 37 (2000); and Executive Order 36 (2006). **Administrative History:** Original chapter 1340-05 transferred from chapter 1320-08 under the authority of Executive Order Number 37 dated June 29, 1990. Original chapter 1320-08 transferred from chapter 1340-05 under the authority of Executive Order Number 36 dated April 19, 2006.