



Keep the Lights on Information and Application

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Keep the Lights on License plate is available to all Wisconsin residents and there is no donation fee required. Motorists can choose between a personalized or a non-personalized plate. The special plate features a utility worker on an electric pole and "Keeping the Lights on" at the bottom.

Who is eligible?

- ▶ Any Wisconsin resident.

Vehicles that qualify

Keep the Lights on license plates are available for:

- ▶ An automobile.
- ▶ A motor home (Annual registration only).
- ▶ A private truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck that has a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or less.
- ▶ A farm truck that has a gross weight of 12,000 pounds or less.

Fees needed

- ▶ A \$15 issuance fee or the annual \$15 personalized plate fee.
- ▶ The annual registration fee, if your current plates expire within 3 months.

Plates required in 2 days

- ▶ To legally operate your vehicle, you must display license plates within two business days of purchase.
- ▶ If you do not have current plates, apply to a DMV Customer Service Center or an agent authorized by DMV to obtain a temporary plate while your Keep the Lights on plate order is processed. An agent may charge a plate fee and/or service fee.

Personalized plate information

- ▶ A \$15 personalized plate fee is required each year.
- ▶ WisDOT may refuse to issue or may recall after issuance a request that is misleading or may be offensive to good taste or decency.
- ▶ No refund or adjustment will be made for a change of choice or spacing after the plate has been ordered or if the application is unclear or incorrectly completed.
- ▶ Plates will be mailed 3–4 weeks after you receive the new Certificate of Registration.

How to apply

- To order non-personalized Keep the Lights on plates, mark first option and go to step 6.
- To order personalized Keep the Lights on plates, mark second option and choose 1–6 characters.
If you choose 6 characters, **no spaces are allowed**.

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If you choose 5 or fewer characters, you may request up to two spaces between any of the characters. Indicate this request with diagonal lines as shown here.

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- Use capital letters or numbers. The letter O and the number zero are the same. The following are not acceptable: small letters, symbols, signs, hyphens, apostrophes, etc. Carefully distinguish between: letters L or I and number 1, letter S and number 5, letter G and number 6, letter Z and number 2, letter B and number 8, letter U and letter V.
- For personalized plate message availability, please visit: wisconsin.dmv.gov/personalizedplatelookup.
- Provide a meaning for your request, i.e. what does this represent?
- If the vehicle that you wish to register with Keep the Lights on plates is already titled in your name, send:
 - » A copy of your Certificate of Registration or complete the vehicle description on the application.
 - » A \$15 issuance or personalized plate fee plus the annual registration fee if the current plates expire within the next 3 months.
- If the vehicle is not titled in your name, send:
 - » A completed title application: [MV1](#) (Private Sale) or MV11 (Dealer Sale);
 - » The title assigned to you.
 - » All required fees, including annual registration fee;
 - » Additional \$15 issuance or personalized plate fee;
- Make check or money order payable to: **Registration Fee Trust.**
- Mail all required items to:

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



Check options

- I would like **non-personalized** Keep the Lights on plates.
- I would like **personalized** Keep the Lights on plates.

If all personalized choices are not available:

- I would like non-personalized Keep the Lights on plates.
- Call or Email me.



If you have questions about this application:

- » Call: (608) 266-3041
- » Fax: (608) 267-5106
- » Email: special-plates.dmv@dot.wi.gov

First Choice							Meaning
Second Choice							Meaning
Third Choice							Meaning

Vehicle you wish to register with the Keep the Lights on plates.

Current License Plate Number <input type="text"/>	Year – Make	Body Type	Vehicle Identification Number (<i>standard VIN has 17 characters</i>) <input type="text"/>
Driver License Number <input type="text"/>	FEIN (if company owned) <input type="text"/>	Telephone Number where you may be reached 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. <input type="text"/>	
Owner(s)/Lessee Name - Last, First, Middle Initial – Print		Email Address	
Address		City	State ZIP Code

X _____ (Applicant Signature) _____ (Date)

Release of personalized plates

<input type="checkbox"/>

- I authorize the reissuance of my personalized plate number to the applicant listed above.

X _____ (Signature of Owner Releasing Plate)

New owner - please check one:

- Have plates in good condition in my possession.
- Need new plates issued.

Note: No credit of registration fees or personalized plate fee from former owner is allowed.

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.

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