

New REG 256 V and Revised 256 A Forms

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New Information

The new Certification for Disabled Veterans License Plates (REG 256 V, NEW. 4/2024) form (see Attachment 1) was created by separating the Certification for Disabled Veteran License Plates from the Miscellaneous Certifications (REG 256 A, REV. 4/2024) form (see Attachment 2).

NOTE: The newly revised REG 256 A and REG 256 V forms can be used immediately. Continue to accept the older version of the REG 256 A until July 1, 2024.

REG 256 V (NEW. 4/2024)

SECTIONS 1, 2, 3 and 4 **must** be completed. The new REG 256 V is three pages:

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- SECTION 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION
 - Enclose Proof of Legal Name/Date of Birth
- SECTION 2 – APPLICANT CERTIFICATION (Signatures required)
 - For a Disabled Veteran

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- SECTION 4 – MEDICAL CERTIFICATION FOR DISABLED VETERAN LICENSE PLATES (Signatures required)

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- PRIVACY NOTICE ON COLLECTION (of personal information)

NOTE: Do **not** submit the Privacy Notice on Collection to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

REG 256 A (REV. 4/2024)

- New SECTION A — CERTIFICATION OF VEHICLE FOR HUMAN HABITATION
 - Previously Section E, was expanded upon to improve processing and ensure compliance with vehicle code. A **NOTE** was added: * **NOTE:** If the camper, camper shell, canopy, or other structure is removed, and/or the vehicle no longer contains facilities for human habitation, a change in the vehicle's type license is required and weight fees are due.
 - A statement and check box were added for customers who have purchased the vehicle with the modifications: If you purchased the vehicle with the modifications, check this box.
- SECTION B – TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE
 - Updated to reflect the California Revenue and Taxation Code.
- SECTION C – NATIVE AMERICAN CERTIFICATIONS (Signatures required)

REG 256 A (REV. 4/2024), *continued*

- SECTION D – STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED VEHICLE CERTIFICATION
—**Expanded Procedures-** The stolen or embezzled vehicle certification must contain all of the following information:
 - The date the vehicle was stolen or embezzled.
 - The circumstance of the theft/embezzlement (for example, “The insured’s vehicle was stolen from the Walmart parking lot in West Hills, CA.”)
 - The police agency which the theft/embezzlement was reported to.
 - The date the police agency recovered the vehicle or a statement that the vehicle has not been recovered (such as, “transfer to an insurance company”)
 - If the vehicle was recovered, the date the owner took possession of the vehicle from the police agency.
 - All fees and/or penalties are waived from the date the vehicle was stolen to the date of recovery. A planned nonoperation (PNO) certification may be posted if the vehicle has not been used from the date of recovery.
- SECTION E – APPLICANT SIGNATURE

Background

The REG 256A was revised to remove the Veteran’s certification, improve processing, and ensure compliance. The Disabled Veteran certification was moved to its own form, REG 256 V, while still capturing all necessary information (including true full name) and ensuring compliance with the *Vehicle Code*.

References

Vehicle Code §§ 243, 362, 465, 661, 668 and 295.7, 5007, 9104.5, 9105
Revenue and Taxation Code (RT&C) §§10781.1 and 10858
Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual §§10.060, 11.080, 25.010
VIN 2021–29 Body Type Model “PM”
Taipei Economic and Cultural Office

Distribution

Notification of this memo (available at dmv.ca.gov under Vehicle Industry Services) was made via the California DMV Automated Email Alert System in June 2024 to:

- Dealers
- Registration Services

Contact

Direct questions related to this memo to DMV Customer Care at (916) 657-6560.

Attachments (2)



DMV USE ONLY	
VERIFICATION OF PROOF OF LEGAL NAME AND DOB	
TECH ID	DATE

CERTIFICATION FOR DISABLED VETERANS LICENSE PLATES
California Vehicle Code (CVC) §§5007, 9105

IMPORTANT: Applicants must provide a copy of acceptable proof of their true full name and date of birth. Applicants must submit the required medical certification or documentation (see the other side), which certifies they meet the definition of a disabled veteran under CVC §295.7.

Note: Disabled veteran plates must be surrendered to the DMV within 60 days of the death of the veteran, or by December 31 of the same year whichever date is soonest (CVC §§5007, 22511.55).

SECTION 1 — APPLICANT INFORMATION (Enclosed Proof of Legal Name/Date of Birth, CVC §5007)			
LICENSE PLATE	VEHICLE	YEAR/MAKE	
TRUE FULL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)	DATE OF BIRTH (MMDDYY)		
MAILING ADDRESS (INCLUDE ST., AVE., RD., CT., ETC.)	APT./SPACE/STE. NO.	DRIVER LICENSE/ID CARD NUMBER	
CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
PHYSICAL ADDRESS (INCLUDE ST., AVE., RD., CT., ETC.)	APT./SPACE/STE. NO.		
CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE

I meet the definition of a "disabled veteran" as defined under CVC §295.7, whom, as a result of injury or disease suffered while on active service with the armed forces of the United States, suffer from the following service-connected disability (Check appropriate box(es)):

I have a disability which has been rated at 100% by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, due to disease or disorder which substantially impairs or interferes with my mobility.

I am so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of an assistant device.

I have, or have lost the use of one or more limbs.

I have suffered permanent blindness, as defined in Section 19153 of the *Welfare and Institutions Code*.

SECTION 2 — APPLICANT CERTIFICATION (CVC §§9105, 4461, 22511.55, 22511.56, 22511.57)

I certified that I am a Disabled Veteran (DV). I understand that I must be the driver or a passenger in the vehicle to be eligible for the disabled person parking privileges. I agree that this vehicle will not be used for transportation for hire, compensation, or profit. I understand that if this vehicle is a commercial vehicle, the unladen (empty) weight must be less than 8,001 pounds. I also understand that if the vehicle is sold or transferred, I can remove the plates and reassign them to another vehicle, retain them for further use, or surrender the plates to DMV.

Pursuant to CVC §9105, exempt registration cannot be extended to more than one vehicle owned by a Disabled Veteran, a Former American-Prisoner of War (POW), or a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient. I certified that I do NOT have exempt registration on any other vehicle that I own.

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

SIGNATURE	DATE
X	
EMAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NUMBER
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Attachment 1

SECTION 3 — REQUIREMENTS FOR DISABLED VETERAN LICENSE PLATES

INSTRUCTIONS: In order to qualify for exempt registration benefits for one vehicle and Disabled Veteran License Plates, an eligible disabled veteran must submit the following to the Department of Motor Vehicles:

- 1) A copy of proof of true full name and date of birth. A valid driver license (DL) or identification (ID) card is acceptable, as is any document necessary to apply for a California DL or ID card.
- 2) One of the following required documentation:
 - a) The medical certification below, completed and signed by one of the medical professionals indicated.
 - b) A certification completed and signed by a County Veterans Service Officer that certifies the applicant is a disabled veteran as described in *California Vehicle Code (CVC) §295.7*.
 - c) A certification completed and signed by an authorized representative of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) that certifies the applicant is a disabled veteran as described in CVC §295.7.
 - d) A certification completed and signed by an authorized representative of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that certifies the applicant is a disabled veteran as described in CVC §295.7.

Submit all required documentation by mail to DMV at:

**Department of Motor Vehicles
Special Processing Unit, MS D238
P.O. Box 932345
Sacramento, CA 94232-0001**

SECTION 4 — MEDICAL CERTIFICATION FOR DISABLED VETERAN LICENSE PLATES

This is to certify that _____ is a disabled veteran as defined in CVC §295.7 and as a result of injury or disease suffered while on active service with the armed forces of the United States, suffers from the following disability(s) - Check appropriate box(es):

- Has a disability which has been rated at 100% by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the military service from which the veteran was discharged, due to a diagnosed disease or disorder which substantially impairs or interferes with mobility.
- Is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of an assistant device.
- Has lost, or has lost use of, one or more limbs.
- Has suffered permanent blindness, as defined in §19153 of the *Welfare and Institutions Code*.

I certify that I, _____, am a (check one)

- DOCTOR/PRACTITIONER'S NAME
- | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physician | <input type="checkbox"/> Surgeon | <input type="checkbox"/> Chiropractor | <input type="checkbox"/> Podiatrist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Optometrist | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner | <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Nurse-Midwife |

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information I have provided is true and correct. I further certify that information sufficient to substantiate this certification shall be retained and made available for inspection by the Medical Board of California or the appropriate regulatory board at the department's request. (CVC §5007).

EXECUTED AT (CITY/STATE)		DATE
MEDICAL PROVIDER SIGNATURE X	MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER	
MEDICAL PROVIDER ADDRESS	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE

Attachment 1

PRIVACY NOTICE ON COLLECTION

- DMV is authorized to collect personal information under *California Vehicle Code (CVC) §§295.5, 4461, 4463, 5007, 9410, 22511.5, 22511.5, 22511.56, 22511.57, 22511.6* and *Title 13, Articles (ART) 3.0, §§159.10, 182.00, 182.01, 182.02, 182.03, 182.04.*
- DMV collection of personal information is governed by: *California Information Practices Act, Civil Code §1798 et seq; Government Code (GC) §11015.5; California Public Records Act GC §6250 et seq.; California Vehicle Code §1808; Driver's Privacy Protection Act (18 United States Code §§2721-2725).*
- The information collected will not be shared unless required or allowed by law.
- Submission is mandatory for each information item on this form.
- DMV uses this information to process disabled person placards or plates.
- Failure to provide mandatory information may result in rejection of disabled person parking placard application.
- You have the right to review and request corrections/deletions of DMV maintained records containing your personal information.
- For privacy policy questions or requests contact us at: DMV Chief Privacy Officer, 2415 1st Avenue, MS F127, Sacramento, CA 95818 or (916) 657-6340

Attachment 2



MISCELLANEOUS CERTIFICATIONS

Complete the appropriate section(s) and sign in Section E.

LICENSE PLATE/CF NUMBER	VEHICLE/VESSEL ID NUMBER	YEAR/MAKE

SECTION A — CERTIFICATION OF VEHICLE FOR HUMAN HABITATION (California Vehicle Code (CVC) §362)

Definition: Human habitation is living space which includes, but is not limited to: closets, cabinets, kitchen units or fixtures, and bath or toilet rooms. This vehicle will not be used for commercial purposes.

- This is a new vehicle manufactured for human habitation or was modified for human habitation by a licensed van converter.
- This vehicle was permanently modified for human habitation or camping purposes on* _____ by (check appropriate box): _____ DATE _____
- Attaching a camper*
 - Converting to a motorhome
 - Attaching a camper shell, canopy, or other structure in which the vehicle also contains the following facilities for human habitation*: _____

***NOTE:** If the camper, camper shell, canopy, or other structure is removed, and/or the vehicle no longer contains facilities for human habitation, a change in the vehicle's type license is required and weight fees are due.

If you purchased the vehicle with the modifications, check this box

1. Cost of the complete vehicle before it was modified: \$ _____
2. Cost of changes, including labor: \$+ _____
3. Total value: \$= _____ \$ 0.00

SECTION B — TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE (TECO) (California Revenue and Taxation Code (CRTC) §10781)

As required, attached to this application are photocopies of a Tax Exemption Card issued by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration and an ID card issued by the Department of State.

SECTION C — NATIVE AMERICAN CERTIFICATIONS — Native Americans residing on a federally recognized Indian reservation or rancharia. (CVC §9104.5 and CRTC §10781.1)

Native American-owned vehicles driven on public highways are exempt from license fees only. Tribal owned vehicles used exclusively within the boundaries of their tribe are exempt from weight and license fees.

- I am a member of the _____ tribe and living on the _____ federal reservation or rancharia.
- This vehicle will be registered to the _____ tribe and will will not be used exclusively within tribal boundaries.

Residency must be verified by an authorized member of the tribal council or an official of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, U. S. Government. Signature and residence verification is acceptable on tribal letterhead.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBER X	TITLE	DATE
PRINTED NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS	

SECTION D — STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED VEHICLE CERTIFICATION (CVC §4605, RTC §10858)

I am the owner or title holder of the vehicle described above which was stolen/embezzled on or about _____ DATE _____.

This is what happened: _____

The theft/embezzlement was reported to: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____. The vehicle's owner was not in possession of this vehicle when the registration fees became due. The police recovered the vehicle on _____ DATE _____ and I took possession of the vehicle on _____ DATE _____.

If the vehicle has not been recovered, check this box

SECTION E — APPLICANT SIGNATURE

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

SIGNATURE X	DATE
EMAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NUMBER ()

Attachment 2

PRIVACY NOTICE ON COLLECTION

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- **The information collected will not be shared unless required or allowed by law.**
- **All information on this form is mandatory.**
- **DMV uses this information to document and verify Taipei Economic and Cultural Office revenue and taxation code requirements, Indian certifications, stolen or embezzled vehicle certifications, and vehicles for human habitation certifications.**
- **Failure to provide mandatory information may result in rejection of application for vehicle certification.**
- **You have the right to review and request corrections/deletions of DMV maintained records containing your personal information.**
- Questions about this form should be directed to DMV's Customer Service at 1-800-777-0133.
- **For privacy policy questions or requests contact us at: DMV Chief Privacy Officer, 2415 1st Avenue, MS F127, Sacramento, CA 95818 or (916)657-6340.**