

# FACT SHEET

## U.S. MILITARY VETERAN REGISTRATION PLATES

### PURPOSE:

This fact sheet outlines each U.S. Military Veteran Registration Plate available and the required documentation needed to qualify for each plate. Applicants may submit a legible photocopy of their DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," showing eligibility for issuance of any military plate listed below in lieu of the items listed under each plate type (except Korean Defense Service). The DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," must be certified by the County Recorder's Office located in the County Courthouse. A completed Form MV-150, "Application for U.S. Military Veteran Registration Plate," must accompany the required documentation.

### REGISTRATION PLATE DESCRIPTIONS:

#### Congressional Medal of Honor

This plate has 13 white stars and white lettering on a light blue background. Recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor are entitled to receive this plate. Requests for this plate must be submitted through the Pennsylvania Military and Veteran Affairs, Bureau of Veteran Affairs Office, Bldg S-0-47, Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA 17003.

#### Purple Heart

This license plate features the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow with a detailed color image of the Purple Heart medal in a 3" x 3" canvas area on the left side of the plate. The word "Pennsylvania" appears across the top and the words "Combat Wounded Veteran" appears on the bottom of the plate. Applicants must submit a legible photocopy of one of the following, clearly indicating that a Purple Heart was awarded:

- ◆ A copy of the general order.
- ◆ A copy of the Certificate of Award.
- ◆ A certification of the award from the Veterans' Administration.

#### Ex-Prisoner of War

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must provide a Certificate of Imprisonment from the appropriate branch of the Armed Forces or from the Veterans' Administration. The documentation must indicate the dates of imprisonment while in the service of the Armed Forces of the United States.

#### Pearl Harbor Survivor

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible photocopy of one of the following, which indicates the applicant was present at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941:

- ◆ A copy of the verification made by the U.S. service unit from the appropriate branch of the Armed Forces in which the applicant served.

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- ◆ For non-military applicants, documentation from the U.S. Civil Service Commission such as an ID card or other written verification.

**NOTE: Members of a Pearl Harbor Survivors Organization may have the organization verify their qualification in Section C on Form MV-150 in lieu of a copy of documents above.**

## **World War II**

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible, certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates service any time during the period of Dec. 7, 1941, through Dec. 31, 1946.

## **Korean War Veteran**

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible photocopy of one of the following, which indicates the applicant served in Korea any time during the period of June 27, 1950, through Jan. 31, 1955:

- ◆ A copy of the Korean Service Medal Award.
- ◆ Statement of Service in Korea during the period of time listed above from the Records Center at Department of Army, National Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63132.

## **Vietnam Conflict**

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible, certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates one of the following medals was awarded for service in Vietnam and contiguous waters or airspace thereover:

- ◆ A copy of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, if applicant served in Vietnam between July 1, 1958 and July 3, 1965.
- ◆ A copy of the Vietnam Service Medal, if applicant served in Vietnam between July 3, 1965 and March 28, 1973.

## **Persian Gulf War Veteran**

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible photocopy of the following, which indicates service between Aug. 2, 1990 and Nov. 30, 1995, in the Southwest Asia Theater of Operations.

- ◆ A copy of the Southwest Asia Service Medal Award.
- ◆ When the applicant is currently on active duty, a statement of service from the applicant's commanding officer verifying duty in the Southwest Asia Theater.

## **Expeditionary Forces**

This plate has red and blue lettering on a white background. Applicants must submit a legible, certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates that either a Naval or Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, a Kosovo Campaign Medal or a Global War on Terrorism Expedition Medal was awarded.

## **Veteran Tag for Motorcycles**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of one of the following:

- ◆ Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces of the U.S. or a reserve component of the Armed Forces.  
NOTE: National Guard Reservists will need to submit Form NG22B.

## **Operation Iraqi Freedom**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow and the Iraqi Campaign Medal. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates an Operation Iraqi Freedom service or an Iraqi Campaign Medal was awarded.

## **Operation Enduring Freedom**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal. Applicant must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates an Operation Enduring Freedom service or an Afghanistan Campaign medal was awarded.

## **Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow and a waving American flag. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

## **Korean Defense Service**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow and the Korean Defense Service Medal. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD215, indicating the Korean Defense Service Medal was applied for and issued.

## **U.S. Coast Guard Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow, and the service-approved emblem. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

## **U.S. Marine Corps Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow, and the service-approved emblem. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

## **U.S. Air Force Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow, and the service-approved emblem. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

## **U.S. Navy Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow, and the service-approved emblem. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

## **U.S. Army Veteran**

This plate portrays the standard registration plate colors of blue, white and yellow, and the service-approved emblem. Applicants must submit a legible certified copy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," which indicates honorable discharge from the Armed Forces.