


WASHINGTON LICENSE PLATES



The purpose of this CHART is to provide a single-source reference to those plates we are most likely to see, as well as visual samples, if available. This reference will also show how certain specialized plates need to be run in WACIC/NCIC as well as the NCIC License Type Code.

The 'How Seen' column uses the (@) symbol to represent the characters, phrases or images that appear on the license plate. The 'How Queried' column indicates what characters should be run *in place of* the images.








For more information on Washington State's Special License Plates, visit: [WA State Licensing: Special design plates](http://www.wa.gov/transportation/transportation-services/vehicle-services/licenses-and-plates/special-design-plates)

WA PLATE TYPE	DESIGN DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE IMAGE	HOW SEEN	HOW QUERIED	LI T
<p>PERSONALIZED SPECIAL BACKGROUND DESIGN PLATES (PSP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOL began issuing Personalized Special Plates in 2007 Plates have a personalized message on a special plate background 	<p style="text-align: center;">Included plate BACKGROUNDS:</p> <p>Air Force Army Coast Guard CWU Wildcat Endangered Wildlife EWU Eagle Gonzaga University Bulldog Gold Star Parent plate Help Kids Speak Keep Kids Safe Law Enforcement Memorial Marine Corps National Guard Navy Professional Fire Fighter Purple Heart Share the Road Ski & Ride WA Square Dancer Stadium</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">EXAMPLES OF WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE</p> 	<p>Key in as if standard personalized plate.</p> <p>Vertical letters are NOT included on a PSP</p> <p>On vehicle record a "comment" will display to identify "what" background is issued.</p> <p>NOTE: The letters and numbers are narrower in appearance.</p>		









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	<p>TESC Tree UW – “W” WA Lighthouse WA National Park Fund WA State Parks & Recreation - Waterfall WA Wildlife – Bear WA Wildlife – Deer WA Wildlife – Elk We Love Our Pets Wild on WA – Eagle WSU – Cougar WWU – Viking Ship</p>				
All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)					Z Z
Apportioned	7-Digits. 5-Numeric & ‘PR’. Has word ‘Apportioned’ along bottom.		12345PR or 12345RP	As Seen	A P
Amateur Radio Operator	Up to 7-Digits, comprising the operator’s call numbers.		KAJDSJ	As Seen	A R
Antique	<p>These are manufactured or purchased for show purposes only, and THEY MUST BE AN ORIGINAL WASHINGTON PLATE – REPRODUCTIONS ARE NOT ALLOWED BY LAW. DOL maintains a TPO (Title Purposes Only) record.</p> <p>TPO’s begins with a symbol, such as @, -, &, or other symbol followed by numbers.</p>				A Q








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Central Washington University (New Design)	7-Digits. Wildcat. CWU & 4-Numeric.		@1234	CWU1234	CL
Central Washington University (Previous Design)	7-Digits. Wildcat & 4-Numeric.		@1234	CWU1234	CL
Collector Vehicle	6 or 7-Digits. 4 or 5-Numeric & 'Collector Vehicle'. ('Collector Vehicle' may appear before or after the numbers) or 4-Numeric and 1-Alpha		12345@ or @12345	12345CV or CV12345 OR CV1234A	AQ
Consular	6-Digits. 3-Numeric & 'HCO'.		123@	123HCO	CC
Dealer, Transporter, Wholesaler, Wrecker, Hulk-Hauler	5 or 6-Digits. 4-Numeric & 1 or 2-Alpha. Note: These plates cannot be run in the computer. A Teletype must be sent to 'OLYDL'.		1234A or 1234AB	Teletype to 'OLYDL'	DL
Disabled Parking (Pre-Centennial)	6-Digits. Disabled Symbol & 4-Numeric.		@1234	DP1234	DX
Disabled Parking (Centennial)	6 or 7-Digits. 4 or 5-Numeric & Disabled Symbol.		1234@ or 12345@	1234DP or 12345DP	DX
Disabled Veteran	6-Digits. 4-Numeric & 'DV'. or * 7-Digits. DV & 5 Numeric Evergreen State or Disabled Veteran on the bottom of the plate		1234DV Or DV12345	As Seen	DV






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Eastern Washington University	7-Digits. Eagle & 4-Numeric.		@1234	EWU1234	CL
Evergreen State College (New Design as of Dec 2009.)	7-Digits. Mountain and Tree Graphic. GRN & 4-Numeric. OMNIA EXTARES		@1234	GRN1234	CL
Evergreen State College	7-Digits. Tree. GRN & 4 Numeric. TESC GEODUCKS		@1234	GRN1234	CL
Former Prisoner of War (Centennial)	7-Digits. 'Former Prisoner of War' & 4-Numeric.		1234@	FPO1234	VF
Gold Star Parent Plate (New design as of Jan 01, 2009)	7-Digits. Gold Star, GS & 5-Numeric.			GS12345	
Helping Kids Speak	7 Digits. Masonic symbol & 5 numeric numbers		@12345	MM12345	
Horseless Carriage	6-Digits. 4-Numeric & 'Horseless Carriage'. 3 NUMERIC 1 ALPHA		1234@	1234HC or HC1234 or HC123A	AQ
Law Enforcement Memorial	7 Digits. Memorial symbol & 4 numeric numbers		@12345	LEM1234	






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Law Enforcement Memorial (New Design)	7 Digits. Memorial symbol & 4 numeric numbers (or) 4 numeric numbers & memorial symbol		@12345	LEM1234 or 1234LEM	
MARS	Up to 7-Digits. (MARS = Military Affiliate Radio Station). The "0" will have a slash through it.			As Seen	A R
Medal of Honor	6-Digits. 'Medal of Honor', 5 stars & up to 3-Numeric.		@111	MOH111	V F
Motorcycle	6 – Digits. 1 Numeric, 1 Alpha & 4 Numeric. Or 6 Numeric			1A1111 or 111111	M C
Passenger Car (Pre-Centennial)	6-Digits. 3-Alpha & 3-Numeric.		ABC123	As Seen	P C
Passenger Car (Centennial)	6-Digits. 3-Numeric & 3-Alpha.		123ABC	As Seen	P C
Passenger Plate (new effective Dec, 2009)	7-Digits. 3 –Alpha & 4-Numeric				
Pearl Harbor Survivor	6 or 7-Digits. 3-Alpha (PHS) & 4-Numeric		@1234	PHS1234	C M








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Personalized	Up to 7-Digits, any Alpha/Numeric combination.		MYPLATE	As Seen	P E
Prisoner of War (Pre-Centennial)	6-Digits. 4-Numeric and 'Prisoner of War'. (NEWER IMAGE – DO NOT HAVE PRE-CENTENNIAL IMAGE)		1234@	1234PW	V F
New style Professional Fire Fighter as of July 2009	7-Digits. Maltese Cross, Firefighter, PF alpha & 5 Numeric			PF00000	
Professional Fire Fighter	7 Digits. Maltese Cross & 5-Numeric		@12345	PF12345	
Purple Heart	6-Digits. 4- Numeric & Purple Heart		1234@	1234PH	V F
Rideshare	7-Digits. 'Ride Share' and 5-Numeric. (Formerly Vanpool plates – old ones are 6-Digits, Run as 'VP' plus numbers)		@12345	RS12345	Z Z ? ? ? ? ? ? ?
Snowmobile					S N







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Square Dancer	7-Digits. 5-Numeric & Square Dancer Silhouette.		12345@	12345SD	Z Z ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?
Stadium Plate	7-Digits. Mariners Logo, Stadium & 5-Numeric.		@12345	ST12345	Z Z ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?
Tribal/Indian Exempt	None Provided. These are not manufactured by Washington. Contact Indicated Tribal Headquarters for information. (Sample shown if for Quinault Indian Nation. Designs will vary)			Contact Tribal Authority	F G or Z Z ? ? ? ?
Truck (Pre-Centennial)	6-Digits. 1-Alpha & 5-Numeric or 2-Alpha & 4-Numeric		A12345 or AB1234	As Seen	T K
Truck (Old Centennial)	6-Digits. 5-Numeric & 1-Alpha.		12345A	As Seen	T K

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Truck (New Centennial)	7-Digits. 1-Alpha, 5-Numeric & 1-Alpha.		A12345B	As Seen	T K
University of Washington NEW DESIGN – as of November 25, 2013	7-Digits. W & 4-Numeric and 1-Alpha		W1234A	As Seen W1234A	C L
University of Washington (Previous Design)	7-Digits. W & 4-Numeric and 1-Alpha		W1234A	As Seen W1234A	C L
University of Washington (Previous Design)	7-Digits. Husky & 5-Numeric.		@12345	UW12345	C L
Washington State University * (Previous design)	7-Digits. Cougar. 3 Alpha & 4-Numeric (or) 4 NUMERIC & 3 ALPHA, (or) 1 Alpha & 3- Numeric & WSU <i>*Cougar may be located on the left or right side of the plate depending on when it was issued.</i>		@1234	1234WSU or WSU1234 or WSU123A or H123WSU	C L
Washington State University *	7-Digits. Cougar. 3 Alpha & 4-Numeric (or) 4 NUMERIC & 3 ALPHA, (or) 1 Alpha & 3- Numeric & WSU <i>*Cougar may be located on the left or right side of the plate depending on when it was issued.</i>		@1234	1234WSU or WSU1234 or WSU123A or H123WSU	C L
Western Washington University	7-Digits. Blue Viking Ship & 4-Numeric.		@1234	WWU1234	C L

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Washington's Lighthouses	7-Digits. Lighthouse & 5 Numeric		@12345	LH12345	
Wild On Washington (Eagle)	7-Digits. Eagle & 5-Numeric ** <i>Wild on Washington</i> displayed on the bottom of the plate in yellow		@12345	WW12345	
Endangered Wildlife (Killer Whale)	7-Digits. Orca & 5-Numeric.		@12345	EW12345	
Washington's Wildlife Collection (Elk)	7-Digits. Elk & 5-Numeric		@12345	WE12345	
Washington's Wildlife Collection (Deer)	7-Digits. Deer & 5 Numeric		@12345	WD12345	
Washington's Wildlife Collection (Bear)	7-Digits. Bear & 5 Numeric		@12345	WB12345	
Share the Road	7-Digits. Biker & 5 Numeric		@12345	BK12345	



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Gonzaga University Alumni Association	7-Digits. Bulldog & 5 Numeric		@12345	GU12345	
We Love Our Pets	7-Digits Dog and Cat & 5 Numeric		@12345	PT12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>Army</i>)	7-Digits. Army Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	AR12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>Air Force</i>)	7-Digits. Air Force Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	AF12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>Marines</i>)	7-Digits. Marine Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	MC12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>Navy</i>)	7-Digits. Navy Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	NA12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>Coast Guard</i>)	7-Digits. Coast Guard Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	CG12345	
Armed Forces Collection (<i>National Guard</i>)	7-Digits. National Guard Symbol & 5 Numeric		@12345	NG12345	

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Keep Kids Safe	7-Digits. Hand prints & 5 Numeric		@12345	KS12345	
Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	7-Digits. Waterfall & 5 Numeric		@12345	PK12345	
Washington National Park Fund	7-Digits. Mountains & 5 Numeric		@12345	NP12345	
Ski and Ride Washington	7-Digits. Snowboarder and Skier & 5 Numeric		@12345	SN12345	
Music Aid Northwest	7-Digits. MU & 5 Numeric		@12345	MU12345	
Washington State Fire Fighter's Association	7-Digits. Maltese Cross & 5 Numeric		@12345	VF12345	
Meerkirk Rhododendron Gardens	7-Digits. State Flower & 5 Numeric		@12345	SF12345	
Washington 4-H Foundation	7 Digits. 4-H Logo. 4H& 5 Numeric		@12345	4H12345	

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<p>Seattle Seahawks NEW DESIGN – as of January 1, 2014</p>	<p>7-Digits. Seahawks logo. SH & 5 Numeric</p>		<p>@12345</p>	<p>SH12345</p>	
<p>Seattle Sounders FC NEW DESIGN – as of January 1, 2014</p>	<p>7 Digits. Sounders FC logo. FC & 5 Numeric</p>		<p>@12345</p>	<p>FC12345</p>	