



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4503.593 Post-Traumatic Stress plates.

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(A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates. An application made under this section may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed on the license plates, "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates shall be inscribed with identifying words or markings that are designed by the director of mental health and addiction services and that are approved by the registrar. "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration as required under section 4503.19 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates and a validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon receipt of a contribution as provided in division (C)(1) of this section and upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee prescribed by section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, a bureau of motor vehicles administrative fee of ten dollars, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

(C)(1) For each application for registration and registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of forty dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution into the state treasury to the credit of the post-traumatic stress license plate contribution fund created in division (D) of this section.



(2) The registrar shall deposit the bureau administrative fee of ten dollars, the purpose of which is to compensate the bureau for additional services required in the issuing of "Post-Traumatic Stress" license plates, into the state treasury to the credit of the public safety - highway purposes fund created in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

(D) There is hereby created in the state treasury the post-traumatic stress license plate contribution fund. The fund shall consist of money deposited into it by the registrar under this section. The director of mental health and addiction services or the director's designee shall use money in the fund to issue grants to nonprofit organizations that help victims of violence recover from post-traumatic stress. Such nonprofit organizations shall use the grants to provide services to such victims. The director shall approve the nonprofit organizations that receive such grants and the amounts paid to each such nonprofit organization.

(E) Sections 4503.77 and 4503.78 of the Revised Code do not apply to license plates issued under this section.