



## Renewing License Plates While Living Out-of-State

Missouri license plates may be renewed up to six months before expiration and must be renewed by the last day of the expiration month. While living out-of-state, there are three convenient renewal options:

- **Phone:** Call 573-751-1957 to see if you are eligible to renew over the phone. This service is available Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.;
- **Online:** You may be eligible to [renew online](#) if a Personal Identification Number (PIN) appears on your Vehicle Registration Renewal Notice; or
- **Mail:** You may [renew by mail](#) following the instructions on your Vehicle Registration Renewal Notice.

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- An *Application for Motor Vehicle License (Form 184)*.
  - You must record your license plate number and complete the Vehicle Out of State section of the form, which indicates that you must have your vehicle inspected for [safety](#) and/or [emissions](#) within ten days after returning to the state of Missouri, if applicable;
  - You must sign this form to certify that you have and will keep financial responsibility/liability insurance on each vehicle that you own, license or operate.
  - If you wish to have your registration documents and receipt mailed to your out-of-state address, record "Mail To" in the remarks section of the application and indicates the out-of-state address.

- Proof of insurance, such as an [insurance card](#) (original or copy) that shows insurance effective dates or any other acceptable proof.
- Your [personal property tax receipt](#) (original or copy) for the previous calendar year (or previous two years if the last registration was a biennial registration). If you did not pay personal property tax you must get a statement of non-assessment from the Missouri county (or city of St. Louis) where you lived on January 1 of that year; and
  - The tax receipt or statement of non-assessment must be in your name unless you are leasing the vehicle. If leased, the tax receipt or statement of non-assessment must be in the leasing company's name.
- Applicable license fees ([Motor Vehicle Fees](#)) as outlined on the Department's website at [www.dor.mo.gov](http://www.dor.mo.gov). The Department cannot extend the date that your plates expire. If you do not renew your license plates before they expire, a \$5 late fee will be assessed.
  - The law allows you to make donations the following funds:
    - ✓ Blindness awareness fund;
    - ✓ Organ Donor fund;
    - ✓ Missouri Medal of Honor Recipient fund; or
    - ✓ WWI Memorial Trust fund.

You may be able to register your vehicle for a period of two years. Please see the following page for more information on eligibility.



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### 2-YEAR (BIENNIAL) VEHICLE REGISTRATION:

*Odd-numbered* model year vehicles may obtain a 2-year registration in an *odd* calendar year. *Even-numbered* model year vehicles may obtain a 2-year registration in an *even* calendar year.

You may obtain a 2-year registration, when your vehicle qualifies, at the time you purchase new license plates, transfer your current license plates, or renew your current license plates.

#### *You cannot obtain a 2-year registration for the following:*

- A commercial vehicle licensed for more than 54,000 pounds;
- Vehicles that have fleet plates; or
- A trailer.

### WHAT ARE THE FEES FOR A 2-YEAR REGISTRATION?

Although your license fees ([Motor Vehicle Fees](#)) and the processing fees double when you register your vehicle, you only pay these fees every two years.

- A \$6 processing fee is due on a 1-year registration *or* a \$12 processing fee due on a 2-year registration.

### WHAT ABOUT MY SPECIAL/PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES?

In addition to any other standard registration fees, the cost is \$15 for a 1-year registration *or* \$30 if you choose a 2-year registration, when eligible. All special plates that require a minimum donation to a college or organization require *double* the required amount and submission of the Emblem Use Authorization Statement (EUAS) receipt. *For example, if the minimum donation is \$25 for a 1-year registration, \$50 is the required minimum donation for a 2-year registration.*

For additional renewal requirement assistance, visit

<https://mydmv.mo.gov/renewalrequirements> or contact the Motor Vehicle Bureau by email at [mvbmail@dor.mo.gov](mailto:mvbmail@dor.mo.gov), by telephone at 573-526-3669 or by mail at PO Box 100, Jefferson City, Missouri 65105-0100.