

**ORDER TO ADOPT**  
**Division 1, Chapter 1, Title 13, Article 3.1**  
**Special Interest License Plates**

**DISABLED PERSON PLACARDS OR PLATES**

**§182.00. Definitions**

- (a) Disabled Person Permanent Placard- A placard that has a fixed expiration date of June 30 every odd numbered year that is issued to permanently disabled persons meeting the disability requirements in Section 295.5 of the Vehicle Code.
- (b) Disabled Person Temporary Placard- A placard that is issued for a maximum of six (6) months to a temporarily disabled person meeting the disability requirements in Section 295.5 of the Vehicle Code.
- (c) Disabled Person Travel Placard- A placard issued to permanently disabled persons meeting the disability requirements in Section 295.5 of the Vehicle Code. The placard is issued to California residents for no more than thirty (30) days and to non-residents for no more than ninety (90) days.
- (d) Readily observable and uncontested permanent disability- The disability of any person who has lost, or has lost use of, one or more lower extremities or both hands.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1651, Vehicle Code. Reference: Section 295.5, 5007, 22511.55, and 22511.59, Vehicle Code.

**§182.01. Application for Disabled Person Placard or Plates Form.**

- (a) Applicants for a disabled person placard or plates shall complete and submit an Application for Disabled Person Placard or Plates form (REG 195, REV 2/2007), which is hereby incorporated by reference. This form is available on the department's internet website at [www.dmv.ca.gov](http://www.dmv.ca.gov), in any field office, or by calling the department's Telephone Service Center at (800) 777-0133. The form shall contain the following information:
  - (1) The type of disabled person placard being requested and/or if disabled person license plates are being requested.
  - (2) The applicant's true full name or organization name.
  - (3) The applicant's residence address or organization address.
  - (4) The applicant's or organization's mailing address, if different from the residence address.
  - (5) The applicant's date of birth. This information is not required for an organization or government agency.

(6) The applicant's driver license or identification card number, if one has been issued. This information is not required for an organization or government agency.

(7) The applicant's daytime telephone number.

(8) An indication of whether California disabled person or disabled veteran license plates or permanent parking placard have previously been issued. If the applicant indicates that license plates or a placard have previously been issued, the plate or placard number must be provided.

(9) If the applicant is requesting disabled person license plates, a current license plate number, a vehicle identification number and make of the vehicle to which the disabled person license plates will be affixed. For a new vehicle purchase, only the vehicle identification number and vehicle make are required. To qualify for disabled person license plates, the applicant must provide a registration card in the applicant's name or documents to register the vehicle in the applicant's name. License plates currently assigned to the vehicle must be surrendered to the department.

(A) An indication of whether the applicant is requesting an exemption from weight fees for the vehicle described. (Note: To qualify for an exemption, the vehicle must weigh less than 8,001 pounds unladen.)

(10) A statement by the applicant certifying that the applicant has read the information in Section D and fully understands and takes responsibility for the use of the disabled person placard or plates that are issued, and certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in the application is true and correct and the applicant is a disabled person as defined under California Vehicle Code Section 295.5. The applicant shall designate if the disability is permanent or temporary and indicate what the disability is due to. The applicant shall sign and date the application and indicate the city and state in which the signature was executed.

(A) The application may be completed and signed by a parent or guardian of a disabled minor if parts G and H of a Statement of Facts form (REG 256, REV 9/2005), which is hereby incorporated by reference, are completed and signed by a parent or guardian indicating his or her relationship to the minor. This form is available on the department's website at [www.dmv.ca.gov](http://www.dmv.ca.gov), in any field office or by calling the department's Telephone Service Center at (800) 777-0133.

(B) A person, other than the applicant, may complete the application if the applicant's disability prevents him or her from completing the application. Parts G and H of a Statement of Facts form (REG 256, REV 9/2005), which is hereby incorporated by reference, must be completed and signed indicating relationship to the applicant.

(11) The Doctor's Certification of Disability completed by a licensed physician, surgeon, chiropractor, optometrist, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse midwife that states the applicant meets the disability requirements described in Section 295.5 of the Vehicle Code. The physician shall indicate the type of qualifying criteria and provide any additional qualifying information.

(12) The doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse midwife shall indicate the type of placard that is to be issued and the length of time a temporary or travel placard is to be issued.

(13) The doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse midwife's name, address, daytime telephone number and medical license number.

(14) A statement by the doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse midwife, certifying under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that all statements provided on the application are true and correct and he or she will retain information sufficient to substantiate the certification and shall make that information available for inspection by the Medical Board of California at the department's request. The doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse midwife shall sign and date the certification and indicate the city and state in which the signature was executed.

(A) The Doctor's Certification of Disability is not required if the applicant indicates that a disabled person or disabled veteran license plate or placard have previously been issued unless the placard was cancelled by the department or if the placard is no longer on record with the department.

(B) The Doctor's Certification of Disability is not required if the applicant appears in person and has a readily observable and uncontested permanent disability as specified in section 182.00(d) and the disability is verified by an employee of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

(C) The Doctor's Certification of Disability is not required for an organization or government agency involved in the transportation of disabled persons or disabled veterans. The applicant must complete Parts G and H of a Statement of Facts form (REG 256 9/2005), which is hereby incorporated by reference, certifying the organization or government agency is involved in the transportation of disabled persons or disabled veterans.

(15) The signature, office number, date and identification number of the Department of Motor Vehicles employee who certifies a readily observable and uncontested disability as specified in section 182.00(d).

- (b) The completed form with the applicable fee may be mailed to:  
DMV Placard  
P.O. Box 942869  
Sacramento, CA 94269-0001

Or submitted to any Department of Motor Vehicles field office.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1651, Vehicle Code. Reference: Sections 295.5, 5007, 22511.55, and 22511.59, Vehicle Code.

**§182.02. Surrender of Disabled Person License Plates and/or Permanent Disabled Person Placards upon Death.**

- (a) The disabled person license plates and/or placard shall be surrendered to the department within sixty (60) days of the death of the disabled person or upon the expiration of the vehicle registration, whichever occurs first.  
(1) The disabled person license plates shall not be transferred to any other person, including the co-owner of the vehicle.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1651, Vehicle Code. Reference: Sections 5007 and 22511.55(d), Vehicle Code.