

(i) As designated or classified by the Veterans' Administration, has lost the use of a hand, arm, or leg, or is totally disabled; or

(ii) Has a permanent impairment of both eyes so that:

1. The central visual acuity is 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective glasses; or

2. There is a field defect in which the peripheral field has contracted to such an extent that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees in the better eye; and

(9) A Type I or Type II school vehicle owned and operated by a religious organization.

(b) The Administration may exempt from the registration fees specified in this subtitle any vehicle of a law enforcement agency of the United States or of any other state, if the United States or other state provides a reciprocal exemption for law enforcement vehicles of this State.

(c) (1) Each registered vehicle that is exempt from registration fees under subsection (a) of this section shall display a special identification marker approved by the Administrator.

(2) The special identification marker for a motor vehicle and trailer exempt under subsection (a)(7) of this section shall bear the number of the organization and the number of the local voiture, reading "40-8-(local number)".

(3) The special identification marker for a vehicle exempt under subsection (a)(8)(i) of this section shall indicate that the Veterans' Administration has designated or classified the veteran as having lost the use of a hand, arm, or leg or as being totally disabled.

(d) [Any] A disabled veteran whose vehicle is eligible for exemption under subsection (a)(8) of this section [and who also is eligible for a special, disabled persons registration number under § 13-616 of this title] may [elect to], IF ELIGIBLE, receive the special registration number and special registration plates provided [for in that section,] UNDER § 13-616, ~~§ 13-617~~, ~~§ 13-618~~ § 13-619, OR § 13-619.1 OF THIS TITLE without payment of the registration fees specified in this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.