

and who apply for special registration from the Motor Vehicle Administration; requiring certain applicants for special registration to provide certain proof to the Administration that the applicant is honorably discharged from a branch of the armed forces of the United States; describing the content of certain special registration plates under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the issuance of special registration numbers and special registration plates for certain motor vehicles that are owned by certain persons who are honorably discharged from a branch of the armed forces of the United States.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 13-619.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

13-619.1.

(a) (1) The owner of a motor vehicle, or a lessee of the vehicle under a lease not intended as security, or a director, officer, employee, or partner of a business entity that owns the vehicle may apply to the Administration for the assignment of a special registration number and special registration plates under this section for a vehicle included in one of the following classes:

- (i) A Class A (passenger) vehicle;
- (ii) A Class E (truck) vehicle with a one ton or less manufacturer's rated capacity; or
- (iii) A Class M (multipurpose) vehicle.

(2) To be eligible for a special registration under SUBSECTION (C)(2)(I) OF this section, an applicant shall provide proof that is satisfactory to the Administration that the applicant is a recipient of an individually earned, combat-related, armed forces medal.

(3) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2)(II) OF THIS SECTION, AN APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE PROOF THAT IS SATISFACTORY TO THE ADMINISTRATION THAT THE APPLICANT IS AN HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERAN OF A BRANCH OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

(b) (1) In addition to the annual registration fee otherwise required under this title, an owner of a vehicle assigned a special registration under this section shall pay a fee as determined by the Administration each time new registration plates are issued for the vehicle. The fee shall be calculated to recover the costs incurred by the Administration in carrying out the provisions of this section.