



UA Alumni Association License-Plate Scholarship Program

LICENSE PLATE FAQs

How many Wildcat license plates are in circulation?

There are more than 14,000 plates in circulation in Arizona.

What does the new “A” plate look like?

The new “A” plate features the UA’s trademarked “A.” It is Arizona red with a ‘Cat face halo in the background. The new plate also includes the University’s traditional Wildcat fight mark, *Bear Down*.

Where do proceeds from the “A” plate go?

A portion of the proceeds from plate sales go toward the UA Alumni Association License-Plate Scholarship program. The Alumni Association receives \$17 of both the initial and annual renewal fees to award scholarships to UA students who are residents of Arizona, including Arizona Assurance scholars.

- The state of Arizona charges a \$25 initial application fee for the plate.
- Each year, vehicle owners also pay a \$25 renewal fee at the time of their vehicle’s annual registration for standard UA license plates.

What are the criteria to be chosen as license-plate scholarship program recipient?

Students who receive scholarship dollars from the license-plate program must be Arizona residents. In addition, UA students who are awarded Alumni Association scholarships must meet specific criteria established by the official Alumni Association chapter or club awarding the scholarship. Scholarships are awarded in two categories: Merit-based — to attract and retain students of exceptional academic quality, and need-based — for students who demonstrate great financial need. To learn more about each chapter and club’s scholarship program, visit:

<http://www.alumni.arizona.edu/students/scholarships>.

COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT PURCHASING THE UA “A” PLATE

If I own a regular state of Arizona license plate, how do I buy to the new “A” plate?

- Purchase the standard “A” plate online at www.servicearizona.com. You will pay a \$25 application fee, plus a \$3 postage fee.
- You will receive a randomly-numbered plate via U.S. mail in about 10-15 business days.
- It is recommended that you purchase the “A” plate when you complete your yearly Arizona vehicle registration. If you replace your plate with the “A” plate prior to your annual registration, you will still be required to pay the \$25 plate fee that is due with your annual registration.

If I already own the UA “Wildcat” plate, how do I replace it with the “A” plate?

There are three ways to fill out and submit a replacement application to upgrade from the old UA “Wildcat” plate to the new “A” plate: through U.S. mail, in-person, or online.

- If you submit your application via U.S. mail or in person at any MVD office, the cost is \$5.
- If you submit your application online, the cost is \$25.
- Regardless of your choice, you will receive a randomly-numbered plate via U.S. mail about 10-15 business days after your order is processed by the MVD.

- **Mail your replacement application, found online:**

<http://mvd.azdot.gov/mvd/formsandpub/mvd.asp>

- In the box marked Form Number, enter “96-0143”
- Click Search
- Click on Special Plate Application
- Complete the online form, entering “University of Arizona” in the Plate Design Requested box
- Mail the form as directed, including a \$5 check payable to Motor Vehicle Division for the license-plate replacement fee, to:

Mail Drop 801Z
Special Plates Unit
Motor Vehicle Division
PO Box 2100
Phoenix AZ 85001-2100

- **Submit your replacement application in person at your local MVD**

- Before your visit, fill out the replacement application found online:
<http://mvd.azdot.gov/mvd/formsandpub/mvd.asp>
- In the box marked Form Number, enter “96-0143”
- Click Search
- Click on Special Plate Application
- Complete the online form, entering “University of Arizona” in the Plate Design Requested box
- Take completed form and \$5 license-plate replacement fee to any MVD office

- **Submit your replacement application online:**

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- You will pay a \$25 application fee, plus a \$3 postage fee.
- If you upgrade online, it is recommended that you replace your plate when you complete your yearly Arizona vehicle registration.
- If you replace your UA plate with the “A” plate prior to your annual registration, you will still be required to pay the \$25 plate fee that is due with your annual registration.

How do I transfer a personalized plate to the new “A” plate?

There are two ways to transfer your personalization to the new “A” plate: in person and via U.S. mail. You cannot transfer your personalization online. Follow the directions for filling out and submitting the replacement application.

1. Mail your replacement application, found online:

<http://mvd.azdot.gov/mvd/formsandpub/mvd.asp>.

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2. Submit your replacement application in person at your local MVD

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- In the box marked Form Number, enter “96-0143”
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Can I transfer my personalized plate to the new design online?

No. The system will reject your attempt to submit a personalization that you already own as a duplicate record.

How many characters do I get to choose for my personalized plate? Six characters.

If I don’t own a personalized license plate, how much does it cost to personalize a new “A” plate?

The state of Arizona charges a \$25 initial application fee for personalization and a \$25 annual fee for personalization in addition to the special plate fees.

What should I do with my old UA plate after I receive my new “A” plate in the U.S. mail?

- Return your old plate in person or via U.S. mail to at any MVD office, or affiliate office, where it will be shredded.
- You can also keep your old plate as a souvenir.
- **Do not** throw away your old plate. It can be misused and the owner of the plate is held liable for misuse.

Can I still purchase the UA “Wildcat” plate?

No. All remaining “Wildcat” plates have been recalled.

What happens if I purchase my “A” plate before my annual vehicle registration is due?

- It is recommended that you purchase your “A” plate when you complete your yearly Arizona vehicle registration. If you purchase or replace your “A” plate prior to your annual registration, you are still required to pay the \$25 plate fee that is due with your annual registration.
- October 2012 vehicle registration renewals are exempt from the \$25 plate fee as they were already in the mail at time the new “A” plate launched.

For more information, call your local MVD Call Center

Tucson MVD: 520-629-9808

Phoenix MVD: 602-255-0072

For more information about the UA Alumni Association License-Plate Scholarship program,

Visit: ArizonaAlumni.com/license_plates

Call: Alumni Association Regional Director Mark Strickling at 602-827-2189

Email questions: info@al.arizona.edu

