

Federal License Plate Program

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Policies behind the Plate!

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Who are we?

GSA's Office of Government-wide Policy, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, Vehicle Policy Division

Vehicle Policy: Seeks to improve management and enhance the performance of the motor vehicle fleets operated by federal agencies.

Federal Fleet Activities:

- 1) Vehicle management regulations, policies, and programs;
- 2) Examining new technologies and automated systems;
- 3) Analyzing the impact of current and proposed regulations, laws, Executive Orders, and international agreements;
- 4) Federal Automotive Statistical Tool (FAST);
- 5) Federal Fleet Policy Council (FEDFLEET);
- 6) Education and training.

Vehicle Policy Division's Role

- Provides Federal Management Regulation (FMR) guidance to executive agencies for the identification and registration of Federal motor vehicles:
 - Motor Vehicle Identification, FMR 102-34.85-105
 - License Plates, FMR 102-34.110-150
 - Identification Exemptions, FMR 102-34.155-195
 - Establish license plate prefix codes
- Desk Reference Guide, U.S. Government License Plates

Federal License Plates Evolution

- 1) From the Federal Motor Vehicle Registration System (FMVRS) to the modernized GSAFleet.gov
- 2) Tracked from manufacture until destruction (Barcodes)
- 3) License plates must be returned to UNICOR for destruction
- 4) Plates cannot be reassigned to another vehicle - Use once and return for destruction
- 5) Law enforcement can check registration and vehicle status
- 6) Plate design has evolved to enhance security and tracking

Current Federal License Plate Design



"A" or "B" Plate

Law Enforcement & Federal License Plates

National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS):

- GSAFleet.gov provides a message to Law Enforcement Officers when a U.S. Government plate number is queried.

GSA Office of the Inspector General:

- GSA OIG Office of Investigations can provide investigative assistance to Federal, State, Local or Military Law Enforcement.
- GSA OIG monitors online sales sites for Federal plates.

Federal Protective Service (FPS):

- Monitors and scans plates near Federal buildings.
- Investigates **stolen/missing** plates.

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Ordering plates from UNICOR

- Log in at:
<https://www.unicor.gov/TagHome.aspx>
- Go to the “Federal Stores” option and select License Plate Store

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License Plate Store
Bureau of Prisons Store
US Marshals Store
US Air Force Store

Life Skills That Change Lives

UNICOR, through the sale of products and services, helps offenders learn the skills necessary to transition from prison to law-abiding, contributing members of society.

[Learn How We Do It](#)

1 2 3 4

Let's Get Started

UNICOR carries thousands of diverse products and services in over 80 supply classes, produced at dozens of factories strategically located across the U.S.

Ordering plates from UNICOR

- If you get this message, send an e-mail to CUSGDLP@usdoj.gov
- It can either mean that we have not received approval for your account, or that your account has been removed for inactivity

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Order Status Customer Service Contact Us My Account jgill@central.unicor.gov

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Cart 0 Checkout

You are ...
Selecting a category of plates to order, renew or replace.

INSTRUCTIONS:
how to return license plates to UNICOR

A-2014-04 Memorandum
Federal Credit Card Usage and Restrictions

You are not currently authorized to purchase license plates.

'Inactive' customers were archived when we moved to a new system in November, 2021. Please [contact us](#) and we'll review with your agency's authorizing authority.

If you've never ordered license plates before then you will also need review and approval from your agency's authorizing authority. Please [contact us](#) and we'll manage your request.

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Ordering plates from UNICOR

This is what your screen should look like if you have an active account. It will list the plates you've been approved to purchase.

Order New – used to purchase a new plate that has never been issued.

Renew – used to purchase expired or expiring plates.
Replacement – Used for replacing a damaged plate (this cannot be used to replace lost or missing plates).

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BOP Store

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Department of Agriculture Standard Plates (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 278 SKU: PLATEUSDA01
Next Serial: A397187

Order New Renew Replacement

Department of Agriculture Motorcycle Plate (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 279 SKU: PLATEUSDA02
Next Serial: A06150M

Order New Renew Replacement

Department of Agriculture On-Post (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 363 SKU: PLATEUSDA03
Next Serial: AG001057

Order New Renew Replacement

USDA ID Plate (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 366 SKU: PLATEUSDA04
Next Serial: AG8574

Order New Renew Replacement

USDA Trailer Plate, Single (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 445 SKU: PLATEUSDA01T
Next Serial: A45925T

Order New Renew Replacement

USDA, SMALL trailer plate, single (FPI Managed)

idPlate: 468 SKU: PLATEUSDA02TFG
Next Serial: A3652T

Order New Renew Replacement

Cart 0 Checkout

New Search

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Home / My Account Dashboard

UNICOR General Store

You are authorized to shop in the Federal Bureau of Prisons Store

You are authorized to purchase United States government license plates from UNICOR - Order Now!

[My Account Information](#)

[My Order Delivery Status](#)

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[My Shipping Addresses](#)

[My Waiver Requests](#)

General Inquiries Contact

For general inquiries and service [Click Here](#)

Customer Service Center
(800) 827-3168
[Email Customer Service](#)

- To update your account information, click on “My Account Information”
- You can also access the License Plate Store from this page

Ordering plates from UNICOR

Click on Edit, and update your account accordingly.

E-mail Addresses **cannot** be updated from this page. If you are updating your e-mail, please use the link to the left. In addition, please notify us of this change at CUSGDLP@usdoj.gov so we can also update the License Plate Store as well.

Bureau codes cannot be updated on-line. If you need to update your bureau code, contact us at CUSGDLP@usdoj.gov

The screenshot shows the UNICOR website interface. At the top, it states "An official website of the United States government. Here's how you know". The navigation bar includes "Order Status", "Help/Customer Service", "Search Q", a shopping cart icon, and the email "aosamwonyi@central.unicor.gov". The main navigation menu has "About", "Products", "Services", "Doing Business With Us", "Federal Stores", and "Checkout". The user is logged in as "Home / My Account Dashboard / My Account".

The "My Account Dashboard" sidebar includes links for "My Account Information", "My Shipping Addresses", "Change Login Credentials", and "Change Account e-Mail". Below this is the "UNICOR Contact" section with "General Program Inquiries" and "Customer Service Center Email Customer Service".

The main content area is titled "Account Information" and contains the following text: "If your Department or Agency is incorrect, please call our Customer Service Center at 800-827-3168." and "To change your e-mail, please contact our Customer Service staff." Below this is a list of account details:

Account No:	351078
Customer Name:	CENTRAL OFFICE
Department:	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Agency:	FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS
Division:	ABIEYUWA OSAMWONYI
Address:	400 1ST ST NW
City, State, Zip:	WASHINGTON, DC 20534
Phone:	202-305-3598 Extension:
Email:	aosamwonyi@central.unicor.gov

There is an "Edit" button below the email field and a "Return To My Account Dashboard" button at the bottom right of the account information section.

GSAFleet.gov Vehicle Registration

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Vehicle Registration System

[GSAFleet.gov](https://gsafleet.gov) is the home for federal vehicle registrations and license plate inventory management.

- Reconcile your UNICOR license plate order
- Register your newly acquired vehicle
- Begin the process to submit plates to UNICOR for destruction

License Plate Order Reconciliation

License plate orders need to be reconciled in order to be assigned to a vehicle in GSAFleet.gov

License Plate Orders

If you need help registering a vehicle or managing license plates, please reference the [user guide](#) for step-by-step instructions.

Hide filters Actions

FILTERS	Order number	Date ordered	Date shipped	Status	Point of contact	Actions
1 filter applied Reset all	> 45100125	01/11/2023	-	Shipped	Test X Walker	...

10 items per page Displaying 1-1 of 1 items

Search by order number

License Plate Order Reconciliation

Hide filters

FILTERS

Order number Date ordered Date shipped Status Point of contact Actions

0 filters applied

No filters applied

Order number

Search by order number

Order status

Point of contact

No license plate orders showing

Add or remove filters to search license plate orders

- Search UNICOR Sales Order Number (No Leading Zeros)
- Additional Filters
 - Search by Point of Contact
 - Search by Order Status
- **No order loaded** error

! GSAFLeet.gov does not have any sales order information related to your order number. Contact UNICOR at CUSGDLP@usdoj.gov and request to have your order number loaded into GSAFLeet.gov

Exchange Plate Identifier

- When the plates are reconciled, you are notified immediately if there is an expired plate with the same number in the system
- You can navigate directly to the registration page for the vehicle that is assigned to that plate and exchange the plates on the registration information

License Plates

Total plates: 66

FILTERS

0 filters applied	—
No filters applied	
Plate number	+
Plate details	+
Plate status	+

Plate number ^	Exchange	Plate status	A or B	Expiration ^	Bureau	Actions
I164488	Yes	● Received	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I164488	Yes	● Received	B	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169321	-	● Attached	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169321	-	● Attached	B	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169327	Yes	● Received	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169327	Yes	● Received	B	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169328	Yes	● Received	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169328	Yes	● Received	B	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169329	Yes	● Received	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I169329	Yes	● Received	B	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...
I250042	-	● Attached	A	08/2026	17 - National Park Service	...

i New license plate available

License plate **I263427** with the newer expiration date **08/2026** is ready to be attached to this vehicle.

Update vehicle registration with new license plate

! Critical information is missing on this vehicle registration

Certain vehicle fields (VIN, Make, Model, Year, Color, Fuel type, FAST reportable, Primary & Secondary POC) are mandatory data elements used to produce a Vehicle Identification Card (VIC). These are needed to ensure that the vehicle is properly registered in the Federal Motor Vehicle Registration System (FMVRS) when queried through the National Law Enforcement Telecommunication System (NLETS).

Please edit vehicle details in the overview to update the empty fields.

VIN [REDACTED] ● Incomplete

Search by license plate Search by VIN

2002 FORD E-350 XL

[I263427](#)

Vehicle overview

Contact information

Registration

Comments

Vehicle overview

POINT OF CONTACT #1

eIBeStbcedSS
014 - Department of the Interior
6 ext. 0

POINT OF CONTACT #2

eIBeStbcedSS
014 - Department of the Interior
6 ext. 0

License Plate Destruction

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2 license plates will be added for destruction

You are about to begin the license plate destruction process. This process includes three steps that will end with the selected license plates being changed to pending destruction and a PDF will be generated that you will need to include in your box to UNICOR.

Do you have a UPS shipping label for your return boxes? *

No, I need a shipping label

Yes

Before you begin, please send an email with the pick up address and weight of the shipment to unicor.tag_recycling@usdoj.gov and UPS will email you a shipping label to put on your box.

[Close](#)

OK

- Automates the completion of the [Federal Motor Vehicle License Plate Return Form](#)
- Updates plate status to “Pending Destruction” in the registration system

Bulk Submit For Destruction

- Users can now bulk submit license plates for destruction by filtering on the license plate details page, selecting each plate, and clicking the blue license plate actions button (shown on next page)

License Plate Inventory

Hide filters

Actions

- Export data
- Submit for destruction

FILTERS × [Reset all](#)

2 filters applied

Agency

- 022 - Agency 22

Plate status

- Attached

		↕ Plate Number	↕ Plate Status	A or B	↕ Expiration		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	>	TEST2201	● Attached	A	01/2032	022 - Agency 22	...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	>	TEST2201	● Attached	B	01/2032	022 - Agency 22	...

Lost/Stolen Reporting

- Missing U.S. Government license plates pose a very serious security concern. It is important that a missing license plate has its GSAFleet.gov status changed to “missing” as soon as it was noticed. If the plate is used by unauthorized persons and spotted by law enforcement, agents will receive a message through the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS) that the plate is missing and to approach with caution. Your quick action to change the missing plate’s status to “missing” in GSAFleet.gov is critically important. There is no penalty for listing a plate as missing. Note: Lost or Missing License Plates cannot be re-ordered

Lost/Stolen Reporting

- Identifying a Vehicle as “Missing” will automatically update the status of the plate to “Missing”
- Independently update the status of the plate to “Missing”
- If found, plates can be updated to “Received”
 - Must first be submitted for destruction
 - Cannot be registered to a different vehicle

Vehicle Registrations

- A complete vehicle registration is one that has:
 - 2 complete unique points of contact
 - Vehicle Year, Make, and Model
 - Color
 - FAST reporting designation
- If any key identifiers are missing, the vehicle is listed as “Incomplete”
- Vehicle Year, Make, and Model typically pulled through NHTSA VIN Validation
- Those items that are not NHTSA Validated can be manually entered during registration process

Upcoming Enhancements

- Updated Vehicle Details Page
- Reports
- Makes/models

Questions



Who may we contact for support?

- License Plate Policy:
Contact Office of Government-wide Policy:
Vehicle.Policy@gsa.gov
- License Plate Ordering:
Contact UNICOR:
CUSGDLP@central.unicor.gov
- [GSAFleet.gov](https://www.gsa.gov/fleet)
Contact GSA Fleet Tier 1 Support:
866-472-6711
Fleet.HelpDesk@gsa.gov

