Kentucky Firefighter License Plates

Show your pride in your service, whether career or volunteer!

Next time you renew your vehicle tags or you buy a new vehicle, tag it with the Kentucky Firefighter License Plate............

These special plates are only available to active Kentucky career and volunteer firefighters, and those retired from service. These tags may be purchased anytime during the year but expire the end of each December by law.

I’m an active firefighter, how do I get my Firefighter plate?
Check with your county clerk’s office to see which procedure they use locally. Some clerks use a roster supplied by the local authorizing official and some require a letter stating the active status of the firefighter. The authorizing officials identified by statute (KRS 186.172) are the fire chief, mayor or trustee of a city or the county judge-executive in appropriate rural areas.

I’m a retired firefighter, how do I apply?
By statute, the retired individual need only present signed verification of status to the county clerk from the fire chief, mayor or trustee of a city or the county judge-executive in appropriate rural areas.

How much does it cost?
The initial cost is $31.00 and for each subsequent renewal. There is a $10 voluntary contribution included within the $31.00 fee. The standard Kentucky license plate is $21.00, so the only additional cost to you is the $10 contribution. Local clerk’s fees may also apply.

Why is there a voluntary contribution and what is it for?
This contribution goes to fund firefighter programs across the state including firefighter college scholarships, training initiatives, firefighter funeral activities, support of the state honor guard, state firefighter hall of fame and upkeep of the state firefighter memorial in Frankfort. These programs are funded through the KFA.

Can these plates be personalized?
Yes, up to five (5) characters. An additional personalization fee is applied, same as with standard personalized plates. Ask your clerk for more information.

Any additional questions can be directed to the KFA by calling 859-609-5576 !