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Disabled Veteran, Purple Heart Recipient Placards

New Jersey law (N.J.S.A. 39:4-207.10) permits exemption from payment of municipal parking meter fees, for up to 24 hours, for disabled veterans and Purple Heart recipients under certain, specific circumstances:

The parked vehicle is owned by the disabled veteran or the Purple Heart recipient.

The disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient is the driver or a passenger in that vehicle.

The vehicle displays a unique placard issued by the MVC.

A disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient placard affords the vehicle owner the same privileges as the license plates.

An applicant for a placard must be the owner of the vehicle in which the placard is to be used, and the placard can only be used by the owner if that owner is the driver of the vehicle or a passenger in it.

To receive such a placard, applicants must submit BOTH of the following:

Proof of disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient status (DD-214, DD-215, award of disability letter, citation awarding Purple Heart, etc.) **and**,

An application (MVC form BA-49).

Application is available at any MVC agency, by mail, or by calling (609) 292-6500.

Placards are available at any MVC agency or by mail.

In person, submit proof of status and a completed, signed application (BA-49), or

By mail, send photocopy of proof of status and a completed, signed application (BA-49) to:

NJMVC
Special Plates Unit
P. O. Box 015
Trenton, NJ 08666-015

Placards are subject to renewal/recertification every 3 years.

Placards clearly show their expiration date, which will be on the last day of the month that is punched out. The year of expiration will also be punched out.

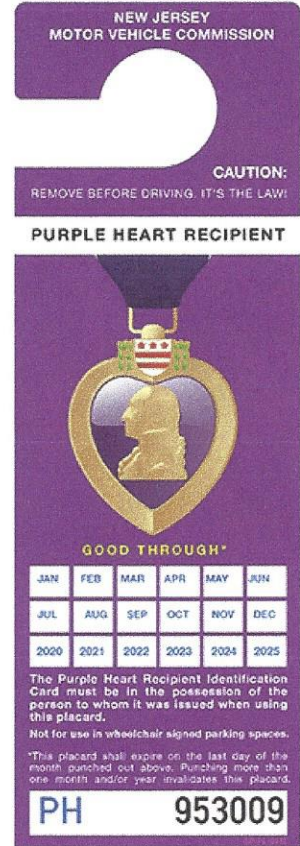
The holder of a disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient placard can also be issued a Person with a Disability (PWAD) placard, if eligible. These unique placards do not replace a PWAD placard.

The disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient placard cannot be used for parking in PWAD labeled parking spots.

Applicants who meet the requirements for both a disabled veteran and Purple Heart recipient placard must decide which type of unique placard - DV or PH - they wish to receive. Only one type of these unique placards can be issued.

The holder of a unique placard will be issued a placard recipient identification card that will match the owner information on the vehicle registration card for the vehicle in use.

This specific identification card indicates the actual person who is entitled to use the privilege of the unique placard.



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