

# Colorado License Plates\*

(\*includes bills enacted from the 2014 legislative session)



# 2014 License Plate Bills

- HB 14-1029 Disabled Parking License Plates Placards – Effective January 1, 2015
  - In addition to other non-license plate amendments this bill
    - Created a Person with Disability Personalized license plate
    - Increased the number of Person with Disability license plates that can be issued to a person with disability or the parent or guardian of a minor person with disability



**PWD Personalized  
License Plate  
Design Pending  
Eff. Jan 1, 2015**

# 2014 License Plate Bills

- HB 14-1089 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division License Plate Qualifications – Effective January 1, 2015
  - Created two new license plates
    - “Support the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division” group special license plate
      - Requires a donation of \$15.00 - \$100.00 to the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Foundation, Inc. to be issued the plate and to renew the plate annually
    - “U.S. Army 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division” military special license plate
      - Requires the owner to be a veteran, reserve member, or an active member of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division of the U.S. Army
  - Eliminates the current “10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division” group special license plate and requires the owners to replace the plate with their registration renewal from January – December 2016 with a one of the new 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division plates they qualify for or with another Colorado license plate



**Support the 10<sup>th</sup>  
Mountain Division**  
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**U.S. Army 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain  
Division**  
Design Pending  
Eff. Jan 1, 2015



# 2014 License Plate Bills

- HB 14-1284 Legislator License Plate Registration Number – Effective January 1, 2015
  - Requires the Legislator license plates to be registered to a vehicle
  - Plate numbering shall be:
    - Representative – H01 through H65
    - Senator – S01 through S35



# 2014 License Plate Bills

- HB 14-1367 Autocycles, Motorcycles and Motor Vehicles – Effective January 1, 2015
  - Creates an “Autocycles” definition and requires them to be registered as Passenger type vehicles
  - Creates an “Autocycle” license plate that must be displayed on all Autocycles



**Autocycle  
License Plate  
Design Pending  
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# 2014 License Plate Bills

- SB 14-030 Distinguished Flying Cross License Plate Waive Fee – Effective August 6, 2014
  - Waives the one-time issuance \$25.00 Highway Users Tax Fund and \$25.00 Licensing Services Cash Fund fee for the first issued plate per applicant



# 2014 License Plate Bills

- SB 14-036 Emergency Medical Services License Plate – Effective January 1, 2015
  - Creates the “Emergency Medical Services” group special license plate
    - Requires a \$10.00 donation to the Emergency Medical Services Association of Colorado to be issued the plate



**Emergency Medical  
Services  
License Plate  
Design Pending  
Eff. Jan 1, 2015**

# 2014 License Plate Bills

- SB 14-041 USS Colorado Submarine Special License Plate
  - Effective January 1, 2015
    - Creates the “USS Colorado Submarine” military special license plate
      - May be issued to anyone that supports the USS Colorado (SSN-788)



**USS Colorado  
Submarine  
License Plate  
Design Pending  
Eff. Jan 1, 2015**

# 2014 License Plate Bills

- SB 14-132 Fallen Soldier License Plate Combat Zone – Effective January 1, 2015
  - Removes the “deployed in a combat zone” from the qualifications to be issued a Fallen Servicemembers military special license plate



# 2014 License Plate Bills

- SB 14-194 DMV Budget Modernization – Effective July 1, 2014
  - Removes annual fund balance sweep language from the License Plate Cash Fund, 42-3-301, C.R.S., keeping the balance in the fund



# Print on Demand

- Print on Demand (POD) is a process that allows for certain license plates to be printed upon customer request/demand instead of having inventory sitting on county shelves
  - Frees up money in the License Plate Cash Fund, C.R.S. 42-3-301, to be used for high demand high volume license plates (i.e., green and white passenger)
  - Coordinated effort between the Department, County Clerk and Recorder's, Department of Corrections Correctional Industries and the Governor's Office of Information Technology
  - Estimated annual savings of \$890,000 due to POD
    - Initially, greater savings will be realized because the Department has recovered POD plates from the counties to use in the POD process, this will utilize a plate that has already been paid for instead of having to print a new plate
  - Plates setup as POD include Group Special, Alumni, Military and other low demand plates
    - POD plates represent 13.25% of annual issued license plates and 17.32% of vehicles registered with those plates

# Taxes and Fees

- Taxes and fees are assessed based on:

**Vehicle Type  
& Model Year**

**Tax Class**

**Weight**

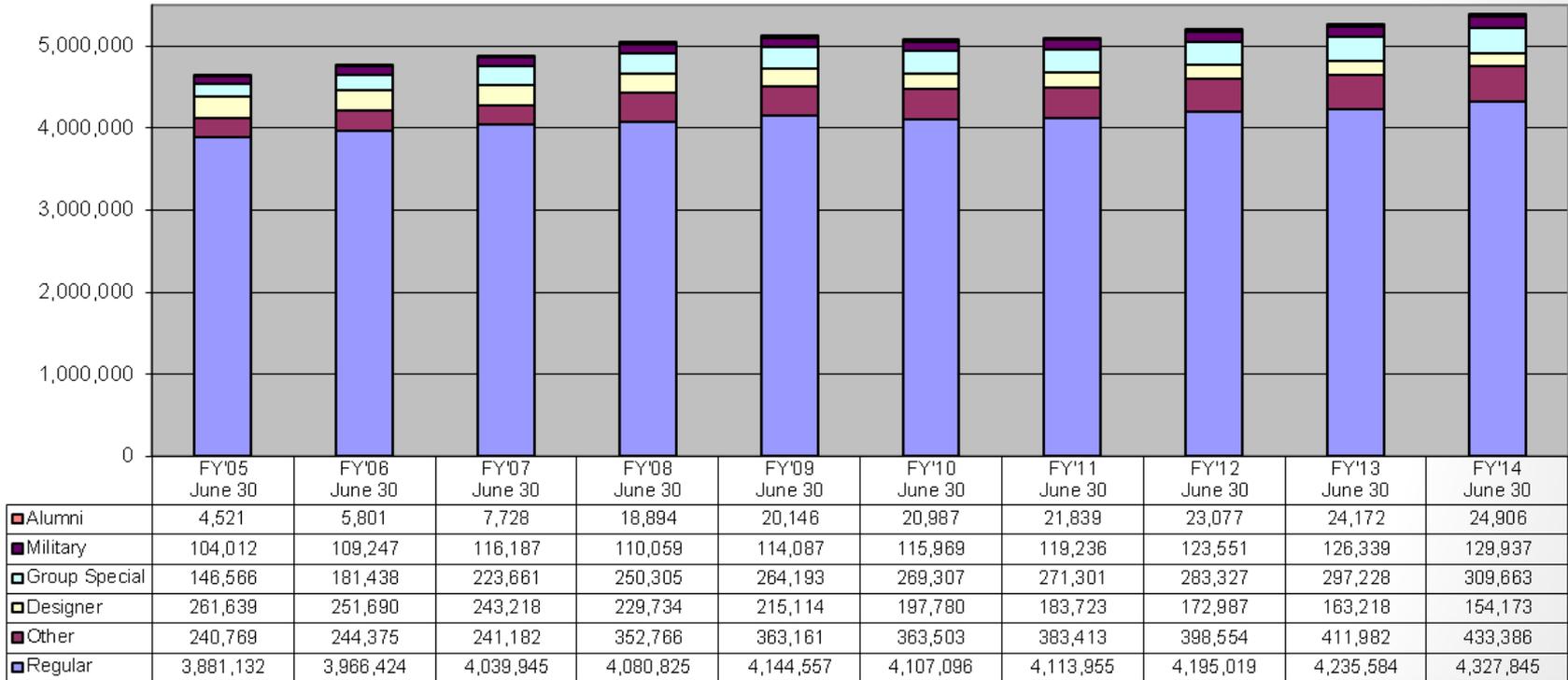
**Registration  
County**

- Regardless of the license plate type, the normal taxes and fees remain the same based on these factors
- These normal fees apply to all situations to include issuance, renewal, replacement, transfer, change registration, etc.



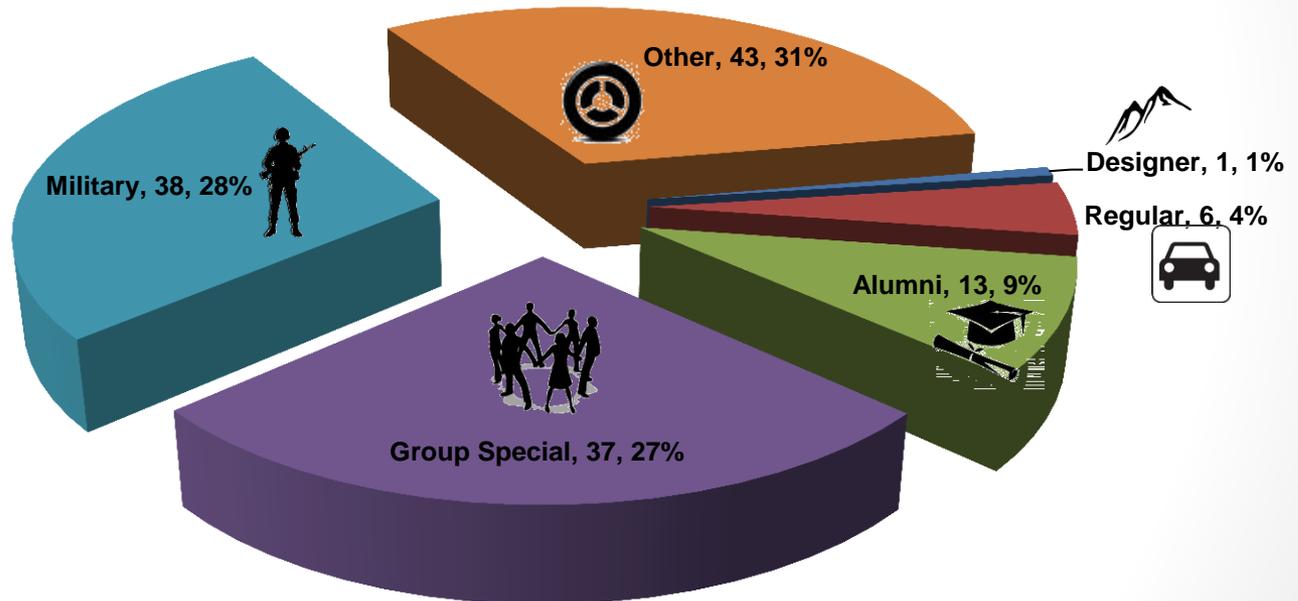
# Year Over Year Summary

**Registered Vehicles by Plate Category  
(Fiscal Year End)**



# Colorado License Plate Types by Plate Category

## License Plate Types by Category (total 138 plate types)\*

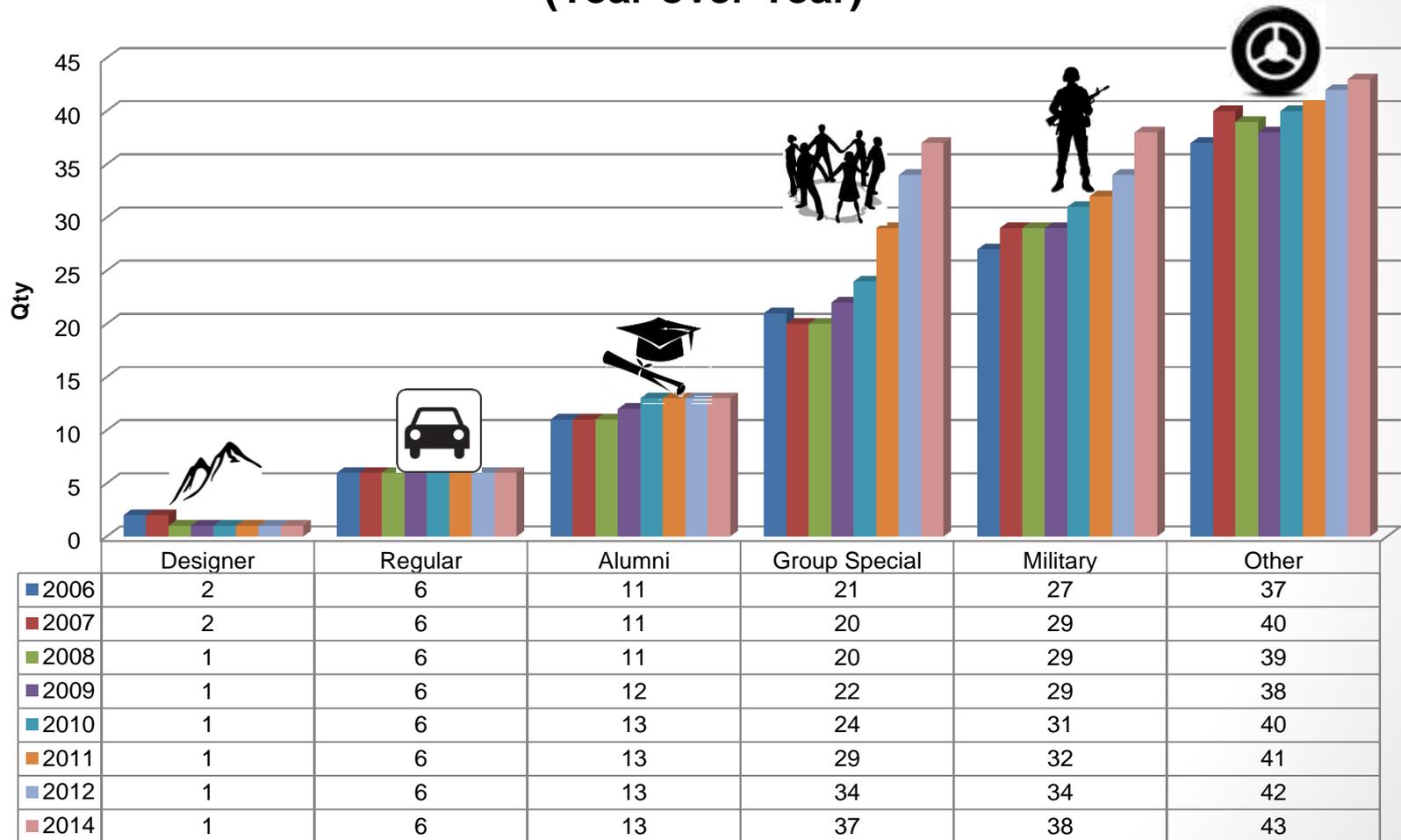


\*as of 2014 Legislation

Plate Types = Support the Troops, U.S. Marine Corps, Trailer, etc...

# Plate Types – Year Comparison

## Colorado License Plate Types (Year over Year)



# Military – Taxes and Fees

- Unlike Group Special, Alumni, and Designer, Military license plate statutes permit for exemptions in certain situations of either both or one of the \$25.00 HUTF and \$25.00 LSCF one-time issuance and replacement specialty plate fees
  - This creates three different specialty plate fee structures for military license plates
  - The following slides will demonstrate these three different fee structures as they apply to military license plates
  - No military license plate has an annual or renewal specialty plate fee assessed on them



# Military License Plates (10)



- First plate per applicant is waived all taxes and fees to include HUTF and LSCF fees
- Second and subsequent plate is not waived fees



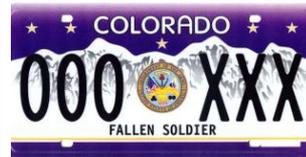
				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
\$25 HUTF	\$25 License LSCF	May be Personalized PRSNLZD COLORADO					



# Military License Plates (7)



- First plate per applicant is waived the HUTF and LSCF fee only
- Second and subsequent plate is not waived the HUTF or LSCF fees



				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		May be Personalized 					

# Military License Plates (17)



- Available to qualified service members or veterans
- Plates are **not exempt** the HUTF or LSCF fees



U.S. Army 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division  
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				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
			SOME				



# Military License Plates (4)



- Military license plates without qualifiers. Any Colorado qualifying vehicle owner may be issued these plates
- Plates are **not exempt** the HUTF or LSCF fees



**USS Colorado Submarine**  
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				Pre-Qualifiers			
HUTF	LSCF	May be Personalized	Motorcycle	C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION



# Alumni License Plates



- “**Alumni Special License Plate**” means a special license plate issued to an alumni association for a private or public college or university located within Colorado that offers at least a bachelors degree in an education program and that is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association – C.R.S. 42-3-214



# Alumni License Plates (4)



- Alumni Plates – No pre-qualification or special donations required



				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION



# Alumni License Plates (9)



- Alumni Plates – Requires proof of prequalification from a the Colorado college, university, or alumni association before license plate can be issued



				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION



# Group Special License Plates

- “**Group Special License Plate**” means a special license plate that is not a distinctive plate and is issued to a group of people because such people have a common interest or affinity – C.R.S. 42-1-102
- Requires plates to be issued for at least three thousand vehicles – C.R.S. 42-3-207(II)



# Group Special License Plates (12)



- Group Special – No pre-qualification or non-profit donation required



\*Plate eliminated with HB 14-1089, 100% replaced by December 2016

				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		<b>SOME</b>	<b>SOME</b>				



# Group Special License Plates (1)



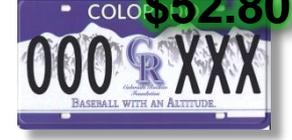
- Group Special – Requires a pre-qualification pursuant to rule



				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		May be Personalized 					

# Group Special License Plates (14)

- Group Special – Statutory issue donation to non-profit organization required



**\$10**  
Emergency Medical Services  
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**Donation** = the amounts defined by the Colorado Revised Statutes per issuance and plate type

				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		SOME	SOME				



# Group Special License Plates (5)



- Group Special – Requires an issue donation defined by the non-profit organization



**Donation** = the amounts currently defined by the non-profit organization per issuance and plate type  
 \*or 50% offset of the vehicle's emissions

				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
\$25 HUTF	\$25 LSCF	May be Personalized PRSNLZD COLORADO					
		SOME	SOME				

# Group Special License Plates (4)



- Group Special – Requires a pre-qualification pursuant to the plate’s creating statutes and a issue and renewal donation to a fund collected by the state



**\$30** = at the time of issuance; and  
**\$25** = at each renewal

**Adopt A Pet Foundation**



**\$25** = at the time of issuance; and  
**\$25** = at each renewal

**Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund**



**Wildlife Sporting**  
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**\$10** = at the time of issuance; and  
**\$25** = at each renewal

**Wildlife Cash Fund**

				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
<b>\$25</b> HUTF	<b>\$25</b> License LSCF	May be Personalized PRSNLZD COLORADO					



# Group Special License Plates (1)



- Group Special – Requires a pre-qualification pursuant to the plate’s creating statutes and an issue and renewal donation to the non-profit organization



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**\$15 - \$100** = at the time of issuance; and  
**\$15 - \$100** = at each renewal

**Support the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division**

				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		May be Personalized 					

# Designer License Plates

- “**Designer License Plate**” means an optional license plate shall have a background consisting of a graphic design representing the state flag of Colorado and shall consist of numbers or letters approved in accordance with rules of the department – C.R.S. 42-3-212



# Designer (Optional) License Plate



Designer – No pre-qualification or donations required. Any Colorado qualifying vehicle owner may be issued these plates



**\$25** = HUTF fee assessed at the time of every renewal

				Pre-Qualifiers			
		<p>May be Personalized</p> 		<p>C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER</p>	<p>C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED</p>	<p>C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION</p>	<p>NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION</p>
							

# Other License Plates

- C.R.S. Title 42 Sections 3 and 12



# Other License Plates (11)



- Other – Owner qualification, license plate is registered to a person not a vehicle



				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
			SOME				

# Other License Plates (18)



- Other – Vehicle qualification, vehicle must meet specific qualifications



Year of Manufacturer



Autocycle  
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\* Plate manufactured/issued as a set for trucks and singles for tractor trailers

				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		SOME	SOME				

# Other License Plates (12)



- Other – Owner and Vehicle qualification, owner and vehicle must meet specific qualifications



\* Plate manufactured/issued as a set for trucks and singles for trailers

				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		SOME	SOME				

# Regular License Plates

- C.R.S. Title 42 Section 3



# Regular License Plate (1)



- Regular – Available to anyone



				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		May be Personalized 					



# Regular License Plates (4)



- Regular – Vehicle must meet specific qualifier



				Pre-Qualifiers			
		May be Personalized 		C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
			SOME				



# Regular License Plates (1)



- Regular – Owner must meet specific qualifier



				Pre-Qualifiers			
				C.R.S. SPECIFIED QUALIFIER	C.R.S. DONATION REQUIRED	C.R.S. STATE COLLECTED DONATION	NON-PROFIT DEFINED DONATION
		May be Personalized 					



# Additional Related Documents

- The below documents are being provided in addition to this presentation pursuant to TLRC members requests
  - Registered Vehicles By Plate Types
  - Document with a photo of each plate
    - Special License Plate Report updated with photos and other valuable information
  - License Plate Fact Sheet
- These documents are also available at the Department of Revenues website at [www.colorado.gov/revenue](http://www.colorado.gov/revenue)

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