



## WAR BONUS

	Bonus	Pending	Notes
<b>IL</b>	WWII, K, V, DS	IF	WWII: \$10/mo domestic service and \$15/mo foreign service to vets who served at least 60 days on active duty between Sept. 16, 1940 and Sept. 3, 1945. Survivors are entitled to a benefit of \$1000, if the veteran's death was service-connected and within the period specified. K, V, DS: \$100 bonus for these periods: K- June 27, 1950 -July 27, 1953; V -Jan. 1, 1961 -Mar. 28, 1973, V (Frequent Wind) -Apr. 29, 30, 1975; DS -Aug. 2, 1990 - Nov. 30, 1995. The claimant must be in receipt of one of these medals: Korean Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal Vietnam Era or the Southwest Asia Service Medal. Survivors of Vietnam veterans are entitled to a payment of \$1000 if his/ her death is service connected. Vietnam Veterans who were POWs in Southwest Asia are entitled to \$50/mo or portion thereof while being held captive. A \$1000 bonus is payable to survivors of certain persons killed by terrorist acts or hostile activities during performance of military service in periods recognized as wartime by the United States campaign or service medals.
<b>IA</b>	WWI, WWII, K, V		All deadlines have passed: WWI- Dec, 31, 1944; WWII- June 30, 1957; K- July 4, 1963; V- June 30, 1977.
<b>MN</b>	WWI, WWII, K, V, DS		WWI: \$23 mil total. Period of service: April 6, 1917-Nov. 11, 1919; \$15/mo, \$50 minimum, \$480 maximum. WWII: \$84 mil total. Period of service: Dec. 7, 1941-Sept. 2, 1945. Must have at least 30 consecutive days of service. \$10/mo domestic duty; \$270 max. \$15/mo foreign duty; \$400 max. \$400 to beneficiaries of a veteran KIA or from service connected causes, irrespective of length or place of service. Official deadline was Dec. 31, 1951. Korea: \$15 mil total. Period of service: June 27, 1950-July 27, 1953. If eligible for the Korean Service Medal: \$15/mo for foreign duty; \$7.50/ mo. domestic duty (\$270 max); \$400 max for all domestic and foreign duty combined. If not eligible for K.S. Medal: \$7.50/mo foreign and domestic duty; \$200 max. Vietnam: \$60 mil total. If eligible for Vietnam Service Medal or Vietnam Expeditionary Medal: period of service is July 1, 1958 -July 27, 1973; \$300 + \$15/mo service; \$600 max. If not eligible for V.S. Medal or V.E. Medal: period of service is Aug. 5, 1964 -Jan. 27, 1973; \$15/ mo. service; \$100 minimum; \$300 maximum. If a veteran was a POW or MIA, KIA or died from service-connected causes: \$1000 in lieu of any other amt.
<b>MO</b>	no		In 1947, the public voted no on cigarette tax to fund bonus.
<b>NE</b>	no		
<b>SD</b>	S-A, WWI, WWII, K,V, DS	IF	Filing deadlines for wars up to and including DS have passed. IF bonus will be \$150/ mo service with a \$500 maximum.
<b>WI</b>	WWI		

## STATE VETERAN HOMES

	# State Nursing Facilities	# Beds
IL	4	1217
IA	1	768
MN	5	861
MO	7	1000
NE	4	575
SD	1	152
WI	2	N/A

## HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAM

	Facilities	Beds
IL	18	246
IA	4	60
MN	3	52
MO	5	96
NE	1	12
SD	4	54
WI	7	209

## HOME LOANS

	Home loan	Terms
IL	NONE	
IA	NONE	
MN	NONE	
MO	NONE	
NE	NONE	
SD	NONE	
WI	YES	Eligible Wisconsin veterans and unremarried spouses of deceased veterans may qualify for a <b>30-year mortgage</b> with an <b>interest rate of 6.4 %</b> (as of 7/04). A minimum <b>down payment of 5%</b> is required. WDVA pays the lender origination fee for veterans who have a service-connected <b>disability rated 30%</b> or more by the VA. A duplex or multifamily residence may qualify for the loan if it includes the veteran's principal residence. The amount borrowed from the WDVA may not exceed <b>2-1/2 times the median sale price</b> of a home in Wisconsin. As of 7/04 the maximum WDVA Primary Mortgage Home Loan amount is <b>\$350,000</b> . Eligible veterans may borrow up to <b>\$25,000</b> for <b>home improvement</b> with up to <b>15 years to repay</b> at an interest rate of <b>5.65 %</b> .

## STATE VETERAN CEMETERIES

	Policy	# State Veteran Cems	Name(s)	Notes	# Burials (veterans) 2003	#Burials (total) 2003
<b>IL</b>	The county Veterans Assistance Commission provides burial for any honorably discharged indigent veteran, or their mothers, fathers, spouse, or minor children without sufficient means to defray the funeral expenses up to \$600. Emergency food, transportation, etc. are provided in certain cases.	1	Sunset Cem.	*	35	47
<b>IA</b>		1	Iowa Veterans Home and Cem.		NONE **	NONE **
<b>MN</b>		1	Minnesota State Veterans Cem.	*	142	195
<b>MO</b>		5	St. James Missouri Veterans Home Cem. Missouri State Veterans Cem. in Higginsville Missouri Veterans Cem. Springfield Missouri State Veterans Cem. Bloomfield Missouri State Veterans Cem. Jacksonville	* * * *	NONE ** 114 284 NONE ** NONE **	NONE ** 139 361 NONE ** NONE **
<b>NE</b>		1	Nebraska Veterans Home Cem.		NONE **	NONE **
<b>ND</b>		1	North Dakota Veterans Cem.		NONE **	NONE **
<b>SD</b>		1	South Dakota Veterans Home Cem.		NONE **	NONE **
<b>WI</b>	Eligible vets have WI residency and meet the VA req'ts for burial. Surviving spouse of an eligible veteran that has been interred who remarries retains his or her eligibility for burial. Any natural or adoptive child of an eligible veteran who are under the age of 18 yrs or 26 yrs and pursuing a course of instruction at an approved educational institution.	3	Wisconsin Veterans Mem. Cem. - King Northern Wisconsin Veterans Mem. Cem. Southern Wisconsin Veterans Mem. Cem.	* * *	92 105 602	116 120 721
				*federal subsidy	**pending confirmation	

## PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION / CREDIT

<b>IL</b>	YES SAH	An exemption of <b>up to \$58,000</b> on assessed value of <b>specialy adapted HOUSING</b> resided in by the veteran, or his unmarried surviving spouse for which federal funds were used.
<b>IA</b>	YES	<b>Disabled</b> veterans are allowed to claim a <b>HOMESTEAD credit</b> that would be equal to the entire amount of taxes levied on the homestead property. The exemption is not allowed if the combined income of the veteran and their spouse, if any, exceeds <b>\$35,000 in the prior income tax year</b> . Any property owner who has been involved in <b>full-time active duty during a war or conflict</b> , has been honorably discharged and lives in Iowa qualifies for a military exemption. The applicable times of either a war or conflict are spelled out in Section 35.1 of the Code of Iowa. Though the wars date back to 1846, the ones generally in use now are for World War I through the Persian Gulf conflict. The amount of the exemption in taxable value for the most often used exemptions is <b>\$2,778 for WWI and \$1,852 for any others after that</b> . It is the responsibility of each person who qualifies for and wishes to receive a military exemption, to make application with the county assessor and also have their discharge papers (DD214) recorded in the appropriate county. Application is to be made on or before July 1 of the claim year. National guardsmen and reserves are not eligible for the exemption if their only active duty was for training purposes.
<b>MN</b>	YES S/D	You may qualify to receive a <b>decrease in your PROPERTY taxes</b> if you meet the following criteria: You must be <b>totally and permanently disabled</b> . You must be able to provide proof of disability, such as a letter from the agency that pays your disability benefits. Relative homesteads: Residential real estate that is occupied and used as a homestead by a <b>disabled relative</b> of the property owner is treated as a homestead only to the extent it would be treated as a homestead if the owner lived there. For purposes of this classification, a relative " is a parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, sister, brother, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew. This relationship may be by blood or marriage. If the disabled relative dies, the Department of Revenue must be notified of the death. Send notification including date of death to the mailing address on this page. Veterans Administration (VA) housing grant recipients only: A copy of the VA letter approving a grant for a specially adapted housing unit. To qualify, you must meet all of the following requirements: 1. You must be <b>65 or older</b> and own and occupy the property as a homestead. If you're married, your spouse must also be at least 65 when the first deferral is granted. 2. Your total household income cannot exceed <b>\$60,000</b> in the calendar year prior to the year you apply. 3. At least one of the homeowners must have owned and occupied the property as their homestead for at least 15 years prior to the year of application. 4. There can be no state or federal tax liens or judgment liens on the property. 5. Total debts secured by mortgages and other liens against the property cannot exceed 75 percent of the property's estimated market value. (Form 72-042) 2. Report of Confidential Social Security Benefit Information (Form 72-051) 3. Letter from Railroad Retirement Act outlining the disability 4. Schedule R or Schedule 3 – Federal Income Tax Forms 5. Letter from an employer outlining the disability 6. Detailed letters from two physicians outlining the disability and its expected duration.
<b>MO</b>	YES	If the applicant has a single household income of <b>\$25,000 or less</b> , or married and has a total household <b>income of \$27,00 or less</b> ; and, if the applicant or his/her spouse is a <b>100% service connected disabled</b> veteran, s/he may qualify for a <b>PROPERTY Tax Credit</b> with the State of Missouri. Veterans and non-veterans may also qualify for this credit if they are <b>over age 65</b> even if they are not 100% disabled. A maximum of \$6,000 can be exempted from Missouri taxation.
<b>NE</b>	YES	There are three categories of veterans' exemptions: 1) A <b>wartime veteran</b> drawing compensation from the VA because of a <b>100 percent disability that was service-connected</b> . The veteran must also: Own and occupy the <b>HOMESTEAD</b> January 1 through August 15; have household <b>income under \$29, 401</b> if single and <b>under \$33, 951 if married</b> ; and, file an application or status certification and an income statement with the county assessor after February 1 and on or before June 30 each year. The first year you must also include a certification from the VA. Failure to file in a timely manner will result in disapproval of the homestead exemption for that year. 2) A <b>wartime veteran totally disabled</b> by a non-service-connected illness or accident. The veteran must also: own and occupy the homestead January 1 through August 15; have household income under the amount specified in #1 (above); 3) A veteran whose home is substantially contributed to by the VA. This homestead is 100 percent exempt. The veteran must also: own and occupy the homestead January 1 through August 15, and file an application in accordance with procedure specified in #1 (above). The <b>un-remarried widow(er)</b> of a veteran listed below is eligible: 1) any veteran who died because of a service-connected disability; 2) a serviceperson whose death while on active duty was service-connected; 3) a serviceperson who died while on active duty during wartime; 4) a veteran who drew compensation from the VA because of a 100 percent disability that was service-connected. The widow(er) must meet the three qualifications regarding dates of ownership, income level, and filing procedure outlined above. 5) A veteran whose home was substantially contributed to by the VA. This homestead is 100 percent regardless of homestead value and income level. The percentage of relief applies to the value of the homestead up to the maximum exemption. The maximum exemption is the taxable value of the homestead <b>up to \$50,000</b> or 100 percent of the county's average assessed value of a single family residential property, whichever is greater. The homestead <b>maximum value is \$110,000</b> or 175 percent of the county's average assessed value of single family residential property, whichever is greater. The exempt value will be reduced by ten percent for each \$2500 the assessed value exceed the maximum value up to \$20,000 over the maximum value.
<b>SD</b>	YES SAH	<b>DWELLINGS</b> or parts of multiple family dwellings which are <b>specifically designed for use by paraplegics</b> as wheelchair homes and which are owned and occupied by veterans with the loss, or loss of use, of both lower extremities, or by the <b>unremarried widow or widower</b> of such veteran, are exempt from taxation. The dwelling must be owned and occupied by the veteran for one full calendar year before the exemption becomes effective. For purposes of this statute, the term "dwelling" generally means real estate in an amount not to exceed one acre upon which the building is located.
<b>WI</b>	NONE	N/A

## EDUCATION BENEFITS - VETERAN

	<b>Veteran status</b>	<b>Benefit</b>
<b>IL</b>	at least one year of active duty	The Illinois Veteran Grant (IVG) Program pays tuition and certain fees at all Illinois state-supported colleges, universities and community colleges for Illinois residents.
	at least one year of IL Nat'l Guard	Scholarship: Available for eight (8) semesters or twelve (12) quarters of full-time or part-time undergraduate study or graduate study at any Illinois state-controlled university or community college. Recipient is entitled to payment of tuition and certain fees.
<b>IA</b>	NONE	
<b>MN</b>	exhausted federal benefits	The one time grant may be used only for tuition, and is paid directly to the school.
<b>MO</b>	NONE	
<b>NE</b>	NONE	
<b>SD</b>	not eligible for federal educational payments and: Served on active duty between 8/2/90 and 3/ 3/ 91; or, Armed Forces Expeditionary medal; or, Southwest Asia Service medal; or, other campaign or service medal for participation in combat operations against hostile forces outside the boundaries of the United States. Have a service connected disability rated 10%, or more, disabling.	Eligible veterans may receive one month of free tuition for each month of "qualifying service" with a minimum of one, up to a maximum of four, academic years.
<b>WI</b>	1) Veterans with at least two years of continuous active duty or discharged due to service-connected disability, hardship, or a reduction of forces 2) Veterans who completed their initial service obligation of less than two years 3) Veterans with 90 days of active-duty service during wartime. 4) Certain veterans who served at least one day active duty in the Persian Gulf War or Operation Enduring Freedom or other overseas conflicts	Qualified veterans are reimbursed for their tuition and fees for undergraduate courses completed at most schools in Wisconsin. The maximum reimbursement limit is 100 percent of the cost for the same number of undergraduate credits at the UW-Madison. Veterans may receive grants for a total of eight full-time semesters. Veterans may qualify for low interest rate personal loans with up to 10 years to repay. The PLP may be used for the education of veterans, their spouses, and children. There is no maximum income limit on the PLP.

## EDUCATION BENEFITS DEPENDENTS

	<b>Veteran status</b>	<b>Benefits</b>
<b>IL</b>	deceased or total disability	Financial aid to <b>children</b> .
	MIA, POW, or total disability	Eligible <b>dependents</b> are entitled to full payment of tuition and certain fees to any state supported Illinois institution of higher learning consisting of the equivalent of four (4) calendar years of full-time enrollment including summer terms (i.e., 120 points).
	served in WWII, Korea or Vietnam,	Each county in the state shall be entitled, annually, to one honorary scholarship in the University of Illinois, for the benefit of children of veterans of WWI, WWII, Korean and Vietnam Conflict periods with preference being given to the children of deceased and disabled veterans. Such children shall be entitled to receive, without charge for tuition, instruction in any or all departments of the University for a term of at least four (4) consecutive years.
<b>IA</b>	deceased during wartime	War Orphans Educational Aid may be used to defray the expenses of tuition, matriculation, laboratory and similar fees, books and supplies, board, lodging, and any other reasonably necessary expense for the War Orphan to attend the educational institution of higher learning. Aid is limited to \$600.
<b>MN</b>	KIA, or from service-connected causes	War Orphans receive a maximum grant of \$750 each fiscal year for fees, books and other education expenses.
<b>MO</b>	deceased from Agent Orange exposure	Certain <b>surviving widows and children</b> of Vietnam Veterans may qualify to receive tuition-free scholarships to attend institutions of post-secondary education in Missouri.
<b>NE</b>	(1) Died of a service connected disability; (2) Died subsequent to discharge as a result of injury or illness sustained while in service; (3) Is permanently and totally disabled as a result of military service; (4) Is classified as missing in action or as a prisoner of war during armed hostilities after August 4, 1964.	<b>Children and spouses:</b> Tuition waiver that shall be base fees only and shall not include laboratory fees, athletic tickets, student union fees, etc. The waiver shall be valid for one degree, diploma, or certificate from a community college and one baccalaureate degree.
<b>SD</b>	KIA or died of other causes while on active duty,	<b>Children:</b> eligible for free tuition at a state supported school,
<b>WI</b>	deceased	A remarried spouse of a deceased eligible veteran may obtain a personal loan for the education of the veteran's <b>children</b> .

## PERSONAL LOANS / GRANTS

	PERSONAL	DETAILS
	LOANS /GRANTS	
<b>IL</b>	YES	Indigent Veterans: The county Veterans Assistance Commission shall provide burial for any honorably discharged indigent veteran, or their mothers, fathers, spouse or surviving spouse, or minor children without sufficient means to defray the funeral expenses. The expense of such burial shall not exceed the sum of \$600. Emergency food, transportation, etc. are provided in certain cases.
<b>IA</b>	NONE	
<b>MN</b>	YES	State Soldiers Assistance Program provides limited, temporary financial assistance while veteran is disabled and cannot work (must meet asset and income guidelines). Medical assistance to help veterans with expenses of emergency hospitalization or medical, dental, and optical needs (must meet asset and income guidelines). For veterans with 181 consecutive days active duty (plus 100% disability).
<b>MO</b>	NONE	education only
<b>NE</b>	YES	The NVA Fund was established in 1921. This temporary emergency aid fund assists veterans, their spouses, and dependents when an unforeseen emergency occurs disrupting their normal method of living and when other resources are not immediately available. For NVA purposes, veteran means any person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, other than active duty for training, who received an honorable discharge, or its equivalent, from such service or who, being a citizen of the United States, at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in a period of conflict pursuant to Section 80-401.01 and who received an honorable discharge, or its equivalent, from such service. All income from the Fund is used for aid and not for administrative expenses of the fund. Aid can only be used for food, fuel, shelter, wearing apparel, funeral, medical, and surgical items.
<b>SD</b>	YES	Emergency Loan Fund for Veterans and Their Dependents: An interest free loan of up to \$500 may be made, to veterans or a veteran's dependents, if financial relief is required for any emergency need. The amount loaned must be repaid within two years. To qualify, the veteran must meet the definition of a veteran (SDCL 33-17-1 & 33-17-2) and must have been a legal resident of South Dakota at the time of entry into service or for at least one year immediately prior to application. MVA/DVA 105 (Rev. 7/96) "Veterans Division Revolving Fund Loan Application" and a copy of the veteran's discharge is submitted to the Pierre office. The SD Veterans Commission reviews the application and makes the determination as to whether the loan is granted or denied.
<b>WI</b>	YES	grant that provides temporary, emergency financial aid for a period of 90 days immediately following a loss of income because of illness, disability or death.

## HUNTING / FISHING LICENCE

	% Service-Connected Disability	Cost		# of Years Valid	Terms
		Fish	Hunt		
<b>IL</b>	10	free	free	life	Fishing and hunting licenses are not required to be purchased by disabled veterans who are Illinois residents and receiving <b>10%</b> or greater service connected compensation, or total disability pension benefits. Upon payment of <b>\$31.00</b> , the IA Department of Natural Resources will issue a <b>lifetime</b> combination hunting and fishing license to a resident of IA who is a veteran, who was disabled or was a prisoner of war during that veteran's military service. To qualify due to disability, the law requires that the veteran be entitled to compensation under the United States Code, Title 38, Chapter 11.
<b>IA</b>	>0	\$31.00	included	life	
<b>MN</b>	100	free	free	1 or life	Lifetime license available for small game and fishing. Deer license renewed annually.
<b>MO</b>	60	free	free	life	Any honorably discharged resident veteran having a service-related disability of <b>60%</b> or greater, or who was a prisoner of war during military service, may take fish, live bait, clams, mussels, turtles, and frogs without permit (except trout permit or daily tag in areas where prescribed), and may take wildlife as provided in Chapter 7 without permit (except deer and turkey hunting permits and the Migratory Bird Hunting Permit as prescribed); provided, while hunting or fishing s/he carries a certified statement of eligibility from the VA.
<b>NE</b>	50	free	free	life	
<b>SD</b>	100	\$10.00	included	4	Any resident who has a <b>100%</b> disability, which is defined as the person being permanently limited to a wheelchair and physically unable to walk with or without crutches, braces, or other mechanical support; any resident who receives a veterans allotment for a total disability which is deemed a service connected injury or has received the VA "K" award (loss of limb or organ); any resident who has served on active duty in the armed forces, except active duty for training as a member of the reserve or national guard, and who is totally disabled for the purposes of receiving social security benefits; any resident who was held as prisoner of war, is eligible for a reduced fee ( <b>\$10.00</b> ) hunting and fishing card for fishing and small game hunting. The card shall be valid for <b>four years</b> if the permitted remains a resident.
<b>WI</b>	70	\$3.00	no	1	

## RETIREMENT TAX

	<b>Military Retirement Exemption</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>IL</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Total</b>	Retirement Income Taxes: Social Security, military, civil service, state/local and private pensions/IRAs, Keoghs, etc., are exempt. Out-of-state government pensions are fully taxed. Retired Military Pay: Not taxed.
<b>IA</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>max. \$12,000 joint, max. \$6,000 for all other filing statuses for 55 years or older, disabled or surviving spouse</b>	There is a <b>partial pension/ RETIREMENT income</b> exclusion of up to <b>\$5,000</b> for certain qualified persons who file a separate state income tax return and a pension/retirement income exclusion of up to \$10,000 for certain qualified married taxpayers. The \$10,000 retirement income exclusion is allocated to the husband and wife in the proportion that each spouse's respective pension and retirement pay received bears to the total combined pension and retirement pay received by both spouses. To take this exclusion you must meet one of the following conditions: 55 years of age or older on December 31, 1999; or disabled; or surviving spouse; or survivor having an insurable interest in an individual whom would have qualified for the exclusion in 1999 on the basis of age or disability. Retired Military Pay: Up to \$12,000 can be excluded for joint filers and up to \$6,000 for all other filing statuses for those 55 and older, disabled or surviving spouse of qualifying person. VA Disability Dependency and Indemnity Compensation: Not subject to federal or state taxes.
<b>MN</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>per fed'l rules</b>	<b>Retired Military Pay:</b> Follows federal tax rules.
<b>MO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>max. \$6,000 if married income &lt; \$32,000 or single income &lt; \$25,000</b>	Retired Military Pay: For individuals with a modified state adjusted gross income of less than \$25,000 or a married couple with a combined income of \$32,000, a government pension exemption of up to \$6,000 is allowed. If a husband and wife each receive a government pension, each can qualify for an exemption of up to \$6,000. SBP benefits are taxed following federal rules.
<b>NE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>per fed'l rules</b>	Retired Military Pay: Follows federal tax rules.
<b>SD</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>total</b>	Personal Income Taxes: No state personal income tax. Retirement Income Taxes: Not taxed
<b>WI</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>total</b>	All retirement payments from the U.S. military employee retirement system, the Coast Guard, the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Public Health Service are exempt. Retired Military Pay: All military retirement pay is exempt.

## LICENCE PLATES

<b>IL</b>	<b>Free to 100% disabled, CMOH recipient, or former POW</b>	<p>Disabled Veterans Plate: Veterans who have a service-connected disability (providing the disability entitled the veteran to an automobile grant from the federal government--or who have a total service-connected disability, may be issued one special license, without charge, for a motor vehicle of the first division (a passenger car) owned by the veteran. CMH Recipient Plates: Veterans and Active Service Personnel who have been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor are issued, without charge, for a motor vehicle of the first division (passenger car) a special license carrying the recipients initials, the acronym, "CMH" and Medal of Honor logo. Apply at Office of Secretary of State of Illinois and present proof of CMH recipient status. Ex-Pow License Plates: Veterans who were prisoners of war during World War I, II, and the Korean and Vietnam conflicts may receive these special license plates, without charge, for a motor vehicle of the first division (a passenger car) owned by the veteran. Surviving spouses of such veterans may receive this plate providing the surviving spouse was married to the POW or Ex-POW at the time of death and is single at the time of application.</p>
		<p>Purple Heart License Plates: Veterans who were awarded the Purple Heart may purchase Purple Heart License Plates for a fee. Free Parking For Disabled Veterans: Disabled veterans whose vehicles bear the special disabled veterans license plates are exempt from any statute or ordinance imposing time limitations on parking in business districts or other facilities--except where parking is prohibited after or during certain hours in the interests of traffic flow and public safety.</p>
<b>IA</b>	<b>Free: CMOH, severely disabled, POW, Legion of Merit; Reduced: Bronze Star, Nat'l Guard, Pearl Harbor, Purple Heart, Silver Star</b>	<p>Bronze Star Plate: Motor vehicle owner who has been awarded the Bronze Star by the United States Government. A copy of the official government or military document verifying the receipt of the Bronze Star is required. Numbered Plate Fee: \$25 initial fee (reduced). Congressional Medal of Honor Plates: Motor vehicle owners who have been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. A surviving spouse may continue to use the Congressional Medal of Honor plate. If the surviving spouse remarries, the plate shall be returned. A copy of the official government document verifying receipt of the Medal of Honor must be submitted with the application. Numbered Plate Fee: No initial or validation fees. Disabled Veteran Plate: Seriously disabled veterans that have been provided with vehicles by the U.S. Government. Numbered Plates: No fee. Ex-Prisoner of War Plate: Motor vehicle owner or part owner who is a former prisoner of war. A surviving spouse may continue to use the plates. If the surviving spouse remarries, the plates shall be returned for regular plates. A copy of any official government or military document that verifies prisoner of war status or a signature of a witness is required. Numbered Plate Fee: No initial fee. Legion of Merit Plate: A vehicle owner who has been awarded the Legion of Merit as established by the Congress of the United States. A surviving spouse may continue to use the Legion of Merit plate. If the surviving spouse remarries, the plates shall be returned for regular plates. A copy of the official military order DD214 or other documentation approved by the Iowa Office of the Adjutant General verifying the receipt of the Legion of Merit. Numbered Plate Fee: No initial fee. Legion of Merit Plate: A vehicle owner who has been awarded the Legion of Merit as established by the Congress of the United States. A surviving spouse may continue to use the Legion of Merit plate. If the surviving spouse remarries, the plates shall be returned for regular plates. A copy of the official military order DD214 or other documentation approved by the Iowa Office of the Adjutant General verifying the receipt of the Legion of Merit. Numbered Plate Fee: No initial fee. Iowa National Guard Plate: Current members of the Iowa National Guard. Certification by unit commander verifying current membership on the application. Numbered Plate Fee: \$25 initial fee (reduced). Pearl Harbor Veteran Plate: The owner of a vehicle who was a member of the Armed Services of the United States and stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on December 7, 1941. A copy of any official document verifying the applicant was a member of the Armed Services of the United States and stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on December 7, 1941. Numbered Plate Fee: \$25 initial fee (reduced). Purple Heart Plate: The owner of a vehicle who was awarded the Purple Heart Medal by the United States Government as a result of wounds received in combat against an armed enemy. : A copy of the official government or military document verifying the receipt of the Purple Heart Medal is required upon application. Numbered Plate Fee: \$25 initial fee (reduced). Silver Star Plate: The owner of a vehicle who was awarded the Silver Star by the United States Government. A copy of the official government or military document verifying the receipt of the Silver Star is required upon application. Numbered Plate Fee: \$25 initial fee (reduced). Veteran License Plate Supporting the Iowa Commission of Veteran Affairs: The owner of a vehicle who served in the Armed Forces of the United States and was discharged under honorable conditions. A copy of the official military order, DD214 or other documentation approved by the Office of Veteran Affairs is required upon application. Applications will be approved by the Office of Veterans Affairs. Fees as noted go to the Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs Numbered Plate Fee: \$35 initial fee for the Commission.*</p>

		<p>B. Certification from the United States Veterans Administration or any branch of the United States Armed Forces as to the veteran's permanent disability and receipt of 100% service-connected benefits. Notwithstanding section 468, the Secretary of State may issue fewer than 2,000 of the plates authorized by this subsection, and this plate does not require a sponsor. These special designating plates must bear the word "Veteran." 3. Special veterans registration plates. The Secretary of State, on application and evidence of payment of the excise tax required by Title 36, section 1482 and the registration fee required by section 501, shall issue a registration certificate and a set of special veterans registration plates to be used in lieu of regular registration plates for a vehicle with a registered gross weight of not more than 9,000 pounds to any person who has served in the United States Armed Forces and who has been honorably discharged. If a veteran is the primary driver of 3 vehicles, the Secretary of State may issue in accordance with this section a set of special veterans registration plates for each vehicle.</p>
		<p>All surplus revenue collected for issuance of the special registration plates is retained by the Secretary of State to maintain and support this program. The Secretary of State may issue a set of special veterans registration plates in the name of a company if the company is owned solely by a veteran who qualifies for a veteran plate under this section. The qualifying veteran must be the primary driver of the company vehicle. The surviving spouse of a special veteran plate recipient issued plates in accordance with this subsection may retain and display the special veteran plates as long as the surviving spouse remains unmarried. Upon remarriage, the surviving spouse may not use the special veteran plates on a motor vehicle, but may retain them as a keepsake. Upon the death of the surviving spouse, the family may retain the special veteran plates, but may not use them on a motor vehicle. 4. Veterans vanity plates. Upon request and as provided by section 453, the Secretary of State shall issue veterans registration plates that are also vanity plates. Veterans registration vanity plates are issued in accordance with this section and section 453. The annual service fee of \$15 for vanity plates is credited to the Highway Fund. [1997, c. 69, §1 (new).]</p>
<b>MN</b>	<b>Free to CMOH and 100% disabled. Reduced for war veterans.</b>	<p>Veteran (W.W.I, W.W.II, Korea, Vietnam, Laos War, Gulf War): Initial \$10 Duplicate \$10. A \$7.00 filing fee is also due with each application (Filing Fee change effective July 1, 2001.) Medal of Honor and EX-POW: No Fee.</p>
<b>MO</b>	<b>Free to 100% disabled, CMOH, or POW</b>	<p>Free Automobile License Plates: Veterans who are rated 100% for service-connected disabilities, or in need of adaptive equipment, as well as Medal of Honor recipients, former POWs and widows of former POWs. Other veteran plates are available for a \$15.00 fee.</p>
<b>NE</b>	<b>Free to 100% disabled</b>	<p>Disabled American Veteran License Plates: Issued to any resident of Nebraska who is an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed Forces and is classified by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs with a disability that is 100% service-connected. Fee is \$5.00 in addition to all other applicable registration fees and taxes. Plates are renewed annually. Registered owners of DAV plates may apply for motor vehicle tax exemption through their County Treasurer's office. All fees are paid to the local county official.</p>
<b>SD</b>	<b>Reduced fee for 100% disabled, POW, Pearl Harbor</b>	<p>Disabled Veterans: Before a person can receive a disabled veteran plate, he or she must be an owner of a motor vehicle and a resident veteran who is either 1) a recipient of a Veterans' Administration K award, or 2) a recipient of an automobile under Public Law 187, or 3) a recipient of a statutory benefit for loss of loss of use of one or more extremities, or 4) a recipient of a veteran's allotment for total disability which is a service connected injury. In addition, the injury must have been incurred in active duty during a time of war or while participating in a military mission involving armed conflict. Noncommercial plates must be issued and the regular fee charged accordingly. The DV plate fee of \$10 is also collected. DV plates will be issued from the division upon verification of DV status through the Veteran's Administration in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. If the applicant does not qualify for DV status, the \$10 fee will be refunded. If the applicant does qualify, the regular plate fee will be refunded.</p> <p>Prisoners of War: Any resident of South Dakota who was a prisoner of war (POW) while serving in the United States Armed Forces is eligible for special motor vehicle license plates. Obtain the POW application for the Division of Motor Vehicles. Application must be completed using full name (no initials) and Social Security number. Noncommercial plates must be issued and the regular fee charged accordingly. The POW plate fee of \$10 is also collected. If the applicant does not qualify for POW status, the \$10 fee will be refunded. If the applicant does qualify, the regular plate fee will be refunded.</p> <p>Purple Heart: Any resident veteran owner of a motor vehicle who has received the Purple Heart medal may apply to the Secretary of Revenue for special motor vehicle license plates. The applicant must submit a copy of DD Form 214, discharge papers, verifying eligibility.</p> <p>Noncommercial plates must be issued by the county treasurer and proof of such registration and payment of the regular noncommercial license fees submitted (copy of current registration). There is no fee assessed for the special plates. When licensing a vehicle with both a primary and secondary plate, the expiration dates must be the same. If the dates are not the same, the plate with the lesser expiration will be registered up the the plate displaying the greater expiration.</p>

		<p>Pearl Harbor: Any resident of South Dakota who was serving in the United States Armed Forces and survived the attack at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on December 7, 1941, and who received an honorable discharge may apply to the Secretary of Revenue for special motor vehicle license plates. The application must be completed using full name (no initials) and VA claim number. The applicant is not exempt from the 3% excise tax due. Noncommercial plates must be issued and the regular fee charged accordingly. The Pearl Harbor plate fee of \$10 is also collected. The application and copy of the registration are to be submitted to the Division of Motor Vehicles. Pearl Harbor plates will be issued from the Division of Motor vehicles. If the applicant does not qualify for this status, the \$10 fee will be refunded. If the applicant does qualify, the regular plate fee will be refunded.</p> <p>Congressional Medal of Honor: Any resident veteran owner of a motor vehicle who has received the Congressional Medal of Honor may apply to the Secretary of Revenue for special license plates. The applicant is not exempt from the 3% excise tax due. Noncommercial plates must be issued kept on or in the motor vehicle, but no fee is charged for the plates. In addition, no fee is charged for the special plates. The application and copy of the registration are to be submitted to the Division of Motor Vehicles. A maximum of two sets of plates may be issued.</p>
<b>WI</b>	<b>Free to CMOH and POW, reduced for disabled</b>	<p>Disabled veteran license plates: A disabled Veteran license plate may be issued to a military veteran with a permanent disability incurred in active U.S. Military Service that limits or impairs ability to walk. If you do not have current plates, apply to a DMV service center or an agent authorized by DMV to obtain a temporary plate while your Disabled Veteran plate order is processed. An agent will charge a \$3 plate fee and/or a service fee up to \$5. Ex-Prisoner of War license plates: First plate issued at no charge - second and subsequent plates have an additional \$15 issuance fee plus the annual registration fee. Lao Veteran license plates: The Lao Veteran license plates recognize the sacrifices of Hmong and Laotian veterans who served on behalf of the United States of America in the Vietnam War. The first time you get your Lao Veteran plate you pay: A \$15 original issuance fee. Your regular registration fee, if your current plates expire within three months.</p>
		<p>Medal of Honor license plates: Two non-expiring license plates are issued. No plate fee required for any medal of honor plate issued (first or subsequent). Plates may be transferred to surviving spouse and still remain at no fee. Military license plates: These plates are available to a veteran or retired military or medal recipient or member of the active or reserve military. 40 different service and/or medal designations are available. Include \$15 original issuance fee for non personalized military plates. Wisconsin National Guard license plates: \$15 original issuance fee or \$15 if ordering personalized license plates.</p>