

## **Frequently Asked Questions When Signing Up for Maine Specialty License Plates**

### **1. How much does it cost?**

A specialty plates cost \$35 in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee. Renewal of the plates will cost \$15 annually added to your regular registration fee. Make check payable to: New England Patriots Charitable Foundation

### **2. If I purchase a Patriots License Plate, what will the funding be used for?**

For the 2,000 preorders, \$10 of the annual fee will be transferred to a special fund for the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation, earmarked to go directly back to Maine nonprofit organizations and \$25 will go back to the state's general fund. For the renewal fee, five dollars will be used for administration and production costs of the plate and \$10 will be allocated to the Patriots Charitable Foundation.

### **3. How will I get my plate?**

All contributors purchasing this specialty license plate will receive a confirmation from the Secretary of State's office when the plates are available. Your original contribution will be applied when changing your existing registration to the new specialty plates.

### **4. When will the Patriots license plates be ready?**

As soon as we are able to collect 2,000 preorders these plates will be put into production. As of the end of February 2014 we are approaching the halfway point.

### **5. Can I keep my vanity plate?**

Yes, the cost of the specialty plate will be in addition to your current vanity plate fees. (EXCEPTION: Due to a recent law change, if your vanity plate is duplicated in another Maine license plate style option, it will not be available. This law is designed to eliminate potential risk of misidentification.)

### **6. Can I request a specific plate number?**

No, we're sorry. Specialty plate numbers will include 3 numbers and 3 letters. Numbers will not be duplicated for different Maine license plate styles. Specialty low-number Maine plates will be available through online auctions, check [www.patriots.com/community](http://www.patriots.com/community) for more information.

### **7. If circumstances do not allow this plate to be issued, what will happen to my money?**

If for any reason this specialty plate is not issued monies will be refunded by the Patriots Charitable Foundation.

### **8. How do I know this is a bona-fide fund raising event for the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation?**

Official receipts are available upon request or you may contact the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to confirm the sponsor has registered with the Secretary of State.

**9. Can I request a Specialty Plate if I don't own a passenger vehicle?**

Specialty plates can be displayed only on passenger vehicles or pick-ups that do not exceed 10,000 pounds registered weight.