

(A) IF AN OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IS A MEMBER OF AN ORGANIZATION CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE BY THE ADMINISTRATION, THE OWNER MAY APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBER IF THE VEHICLE IS INCLUDED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

(1) A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE;

(2) A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A 3/4 TON OR LESS MANUFACTURER'S RATED CAPACITY; OR

(3) A CLASS M (MULTIPURPOSE) VEHICLE.

(B) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE AND CONTINUE A SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBER UNDER THIS SECTION IF:

(1) THE OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE SUBMITS, WITH THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION, PROOF SATISFACTORY TO THE ADMINISTRATION THAT THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE IS A MEMBER OF A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION AND COMPLIES WITH THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(2) AT LEAST 100 OWNERS OF VEHICLES IN A CLASS APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS, AND AT LEAST 100 SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS ARE ISSUED INITIALLY.

(C) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW TO GOVERN THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES TO MEMBERS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

(D) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE OTHERWISE REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE, AN OWNER OF A VEHICLE ASSIGNED A SPECIAL REGISTRATION UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PAY A FEE OF \$4 EACH TIME NEW REGISTRATION PLATES ARE ISSUED TO THE VEHICLE.

(2) THE \$4 FEE SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECOVERING ITS COST UNDER THIS SECTION, AND MAY NOT BE CREDITED TO THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER § 8-403 OR § 8-404 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.

(E) THE ADDITIONAL FEE TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION OF A VEHICLE THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER § 13-903 OF THIS TITLE, OR A VEHICLE THAT IS OWNED AND SPECIFICALLY REGISTERED UNDER THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME WHO IS A MEMBER OF:

(1) THE MARYLAND NATIONAL GUARD; OR

(2) A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD, OR VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE COMPANY IN THIS STATE.