

# Support Breast Cancer Awareness



The legislation authorizing the RI Breast Cancer Support Plate, (2009-H6073Aaa), provides for an initial \$40 fee, with \$20 going to the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition (RIBCC). The other \$20 goes to the state's general fund to cover plate production. There is also a \$1.50 DMV Technology Fee, making the initial order total \$41.50. All subsequent renewals of the RI Breast Cancer Support Plate will incur a \$10 fee, all of which will be donated to the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition. Monies going to the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition are considered charitable contributions and are tax deductible.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

State: RI Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Plate Number (without hyphens — must be 5 characters or less):

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## **THE BREAST CANCER SUPPORT PLATE IS FOR REGULAR PASSENGER PLATES ONLY.**

Your registration must say "Private Pass" and must be an "01" type plate.

Commercial, Combination, Suburban or other similar plates do not qualify for the Breast Cancer Support Plate.

The \$41.50 fee (per set) is required to order your plates. Checks or money orders are acceptable forms of payment. NO CASH PLEASE.

You must include a legible copy of your current registration for each set of plates. We cannot process your application without this copy.

**Please make checks payable to "RI Breast Cancer Support Plate" in the amount of \$41.50**

### Payment Type:

Check       Money Order

**Mail this Form, a Copy of your registration and payment to:**

RI Breast Cancer Support Plate  
67 Cathedral Avenue  
Providence, RI 02908

### Order Checklist

- Check or money order for \$41.50 payable to RI Breast Cancer Support Plate
- Legible copy of your current automobile registration
- Your current plates are regular Type 01 (no Commercial, Suburban, etc.)
- This form completed with all information

The design of the RI Breast Cancer Support Plate benefiting the RI Breast Cancer Coalition, a non-profit 501c3 organization, is currently under review by the DMV and the RI State Police. The actual production plates may appear slightly different due to manufacturing concerns.

**SEE REVERSE FOR ANSWERS TO COMMON QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RI BREAST CANCER SUPPORT PLATE PROGRAM**

visit us on the web at [www.breastcancersupportplate.org](http://www.breastcancersupportplate.org)  
visit the RI Breast Cancer Coalition at [www.BreastCancerRI.org](http://www.BreastCancerRI.org)

# Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. Can I keep my current RI License plate number?

Yes. When you switch to the Breast Cancer Support plate, your current number is transferred to the new plate. Just think of it as ordering a new background design for your existing plate.

## 2. What if I currently have a 6-digit plate?

Because of the artwork that will be on the Breast Cancer Support plate, we are restricted to no more than 5 letters or numbers on the plate. In order to qualify for a Breast Cancer Support plate, you must obtain a 5 digit or less registration from DMV. They have just released new registrations that fulfill the requirement for 5 digits or less, so getting one of these plates should be easy.

## 3. Can I get whatever number I want?

We can only issue plates that are currently active. As a group, we cannot grant anyone different plate numbers. Only the DMV can do that.

## 4. I have a commercial plate, can I get a Breast Cancer Support plate?

Unfortunately this was an oversight on our part and on the part of the state legislature, and presently only passenger vehicle plates qualify for the Breast Cancer Support plate. We are considering approaching the General Assembly to create another law to correct this oversight.

## 5. How much is the Breast Cancer Support plate and where does the money go?

For a set of two plates, the cost is \$41.50 for orders paid for by check and is distributed this way: The RI Breast Cancer Support Plate Initiative collects the money for the plate with payment made out to "RI Breast Cancer Support Plate." \$20 of the order will go to the RI Breast Cancer Coalition, \$20 will go to the state to make the plate, and \$1.50 is added to each order as a technology surcharge for the DMV.

## 6. Do I get charged every year for the new plate?

We made a conscious decision to make the fee for the Breast Cancer Support plate a one-time charge. The \$41.50 you pay towards the Breast Cancer Support plate is a one-time payment you will have to pay for the production of your plate. Every renewal thereafter the DMV will add a \$10 surcharge to your registration fee, all of which will go to the RI Breast Cancer Coalition. You will still need to pay your registration fee every two years to the DMV, but the fee for the new Breast Cancer Support plate happens only once.

## 7. When can I expect to receive my plate?

By law, we must receive payment for 900 orders before the DMV will proceed with making the Breast Cancer Support plate. When we achieve this goal is unknown, but we are confident, based on the number of pre-orders we've received, that we will make the number fairly quickly.

## 8. So I've paid my money, how can I be sure the number will be reached?

All of the funds collected will be placed in an escrow account, and as soon as we receive your payment it will be deposited into this account. Once we reach the 900 orders, we will present the DMV with their share of the proceeds. If we don't make the 900 orders after a reasonable amount of time, we will cancel the program if we sense we can't make the minimum order number. Again, we feel confident we will reach the minimum given the great response we've received thus far.

## 9. I have a Suburban plate, do I qualify?

At the moment, no. Like the commercial plate, your plate type was not included in our bill, but we will be approaching the legislature to attempt to include all types of plates in the future.

## 10. Do I have to live in Rhode Island to get a Breast Cancer Support plate?

You must already have a Rhode Island registered car in order to get a Breast Cancer Support plate.

## 11. I collect old license plates, can I keep my old ones?

No, by Rhode Island law, in order to receive your new Breast Cancer Support plates, the DMV must be presented the two plates that are currently on your car. If you only have one plate to turn over to the DMV when you are picking up the Breast Cancer Support plate, in lieu of the plate you must have a police report for a stolen or missing plate.

## 12. Do I have to pick my plates up at the DMV?

When we reach the first 900 orders and the plates are manufactured, an administrator from the DMV will be scheduling a special event hand out the plates. Thereafter, new Breast Cancer Support plates will be available for pick-up at the DMV.

## 13. I'd like to get a vanity plate. Can you help me with this?

Our role is to simply replace your existing plate with a new background that identifies you as a supporter of breast cancer patients, survivors, and research. If you'd like to change your current registration you must contact the DMV directly. Once you change your existing registration to the one you desire, then you can order a Breast Cancer Support plate provided that new plate is 5 digits or less.

## 14. My registration expires in July every other year. If I get the plate in June, do I have to register the car again in July?

Think of buying the Breast Cancer Support plate as simply replacing the look of your current one. We have nothing to do with the registration of your car, and if you get a new Breast Cancer Support plate in June it will come with a sticker that has the July expiration sticker on it. You will have to pay for the new registration extension for the next two years as yours expires. Whatever the expiration date sticker which is currently on your plate will still be the expiration date of your car.

## 15. Can I make a donation or volunteer to help get the word out?

Yes, you can make a donation in any amount you choose to help defray the administrative and banking costs of the RI Breast Cancer Support Plate Initiative. Once 900 sets of plates have been ordered all remaining funds will be donated to the RI Breast Cancer Coalition on behalf of the citizens of the State of Rhode Island to help fund their programs, which include ensuring that all women have access to screening and treatment for breast cancer, to increased support for research, and to advocating for legislative initiatives to improve the quality of healthcare for women and their families. To make a donation or volunteer your time or expertise go to [www.breastcancersupportplate.org](http://www.breastcancersupportplate.org) and click the Donate/Volunteer tab.

## 16. When does the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition get my charitable contribution?

As soon as the first 900 orders are reached the DMV will order the materials to manufacture the plates and the \$20.00 balance from each plate order will immediately be given to the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition. The sooner we reach 900 sets of plates, the sooner the RIBCC will receive the \$18,000 initial donation. The giving won't stop there, either; every set of plates, no matter how many, donates \$20.00 to the good work of the Rhode Island Breast Cancer Coalition, and keeps giving, with another \$10.00 every time you renew your Breast Cancer Support plates.