

# How to fill out RDMV 125 — Application for Replacement Plates and/or Decals

New Hampshire · written against RDMV 125 (Rev 3/22), issued under RSA 261:96

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New Hampshire plates belong to the person rather than the car, so a seller keeps them and moves them to the next vehicle. This is the form for when one of them cannot make that trip - lost, stolen, destroyed, or never received by post - and the rule printed on it about keeping the same number is the part that catches people out.

**This sheet is not the form.** Download the blank RDMV 125 from the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles at <https://www.dmv.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt416/files/inline-documents/rdmv125.pdf> — always take the current revision from the agency rather than a copy. Print this and keep it beside you while you complete theirs.

## Every line, in the order you meet it

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|---|-----|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | YOU | <b>Plate number, type and phone</b>     | The three boxes across the top. <b>Watch out:</b> The number comes off the registration certificate you kept when you sold the car - which is one more reason the statute tells you to keep it.                                                    |
| 2 | YOU | <b>Choose what you need</b>             | Two plates at \$8.00, one plate at \$4.00, or decals only at \$1.00. <b>Watch out:</b> Both figures include the decal fee. Ordering decals separately afterwards costs more than ordering them together.                                           |
| 3 | YOU | <b>The reason</b>                       | Lost, stolen, destroyed, plate change or never received by mail. <b>Watch out:</b> Stolen is the one with consequences. It forces a new number, and the certification on the form says the loss was reported to a New Hampshire police department. |
| 4 | YOU | <b>Owner details</b>                    | Name, date of birth, street, city, state and ZIP. <b>Watch out:</b> The name must match the registration record. A married name here and a maiden name on the record is a stop.                                                                    |
| 5 | YOU | <b>Description of vehicle</b>           | Year, make, model and the identification number. <b>Watch out:</b> If the plates are between cars because you have just sold one, this is the vehicle they were registered to - not the one you are about to buy.                                  |
| 6 | YOU | <b>The police department line</b>       | Which New Hampshire police department the loss was reported to. <b>Watch out:</b> Report it first and write the department in second. The certification says the loss was reported, in the past tense.                                             |
| 7 | YOU | <b>Sign, and surrender the survivor</b> | Owner's signature under penalty of unsworn falsification, and the remaining plate in the envelope if you want to keep your number. <b>Watch out:</b> Not cash in the same envelope. The form says so in capitals.                                  |

### What gets this one rejected

- A request to keep the same number without surrendering a plate. The note on the form says a set of plates with the same number can only be ordered if one or both plates are surrendered with this application.
- A stolen-plate application asking for the same number. If the plates were stolen, a new number must be issued.
- Cash in an envelope. DO NOT MAIL CASH is printed on the form.
- A blank police department line where the reason given is lost or stolen - the certification names a report to a New Hampshire police department.

☒ Amber is what you write   ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes   The completed example follows overleaf.

Read off RDMV 125 (Rev 3/22) and the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-24. Plain-language help with a [sellmycarhub.com](https://sellmycarhub.com) form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.



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### APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT PLATES AND/OR DECALS

N.H. Plate Number 4762183 Type: Passenger Phone #: (603) 555-0164 1

**Please check replacement needed: DO NOT MAIL CASH**

☐ 1 plate (Includes decal fee): \$4.00 ☒ 2 plates (Includes decal fee): \$8.00 ☐ Decals Only: \$1.00

REASON: ☐ LOST ☐ STOLEN ☒ DESTROYED ☐ PLATE CHANGE ☐ NEVER RECEIVED BY MAIL

**NOTE:** A set of plates with the same number can only be ordered if one or both plates are surrendered with this application.  
If the plates were stolen, a new number must be issued.

OWNER'S NAME: Marguerite T. Beauchemin DOB: 02/19/1968 2

ADDRESS: 214 Hillside Avenue Berlin NH 03570  
Street City State Zip Code

#### DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE:

Yr.: 2014 Make: Jeep Model: Wrangler VIN: 

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I certify that the above replacements are needed for the reason indicated and that the loss was reported to the  
Berlin 5, N.H. Police Department.

Owner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signed under penalty of unsworn falsification pursuant to RSA 641:3

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