State of Rhode Island
Division of Motor Vehicles
Year Of Manufacture License Plate Program Plate Design Guide

## PASSENGER PLATES

First year of issue: 1904

1993-1996


Measurements: 6 " x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1993-1996 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue screened graphic anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" screened on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. "RHODE ISLAND" screened on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with stickers (See sticker chart).


Measurements: 6"x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1987-1996 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in
between the mounting holes in blue characters. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with stickers (See sticker chart).

## 1986 (Graphic)



Measurements: 6"x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1986 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" screened in decorative font on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 86 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" screened in decorative font which is (slightly larger than top lettering) on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters.

Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.


Measurements: 6" x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1986 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 86 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.

1985


Measurements: 6"x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1985 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 85 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in
blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.


Measurements: 6" $\times 12$ " Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1984 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 84 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.

## 1983



Measurements: $6 " \times 12 " \quad$ Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1983 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 83 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.


Measurements: $6 " \times 12 " \quad$ Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1982 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 82 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.

## 1980-1981



Measurements: 6"x 12" Material: Aluminum Base Color: White Letter Color: Blue
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1980 and 1981 model years Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate. A small embossed blue dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Small blue Embossed " 80 " in top right corner. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in blue characters. Embossed blue pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with stickers. (See sticker chart).


Measurements: 6 " x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black
Fully Reflective YOM Use: 1972-1979 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. A small embossed black dash is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. "OCEAN STATE" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in black characters. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with stickers.
(See sticker chart).

1967-1972


Measurements: 6 " x 12" Material: Aluminum
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1967-1972 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. A small embossed black dot is present following two letters of non-vanity plate message. "DISCOVER" embossed on top of plate centered in between the mounting holes in black characters. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in between the mounting holes in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with stickers. (See sticker chart).
**Special Note ${ }^{* *}$ In 1972, two different base plates were issued. Both are acceptable.


Measurements: 6 " x 12" Material: Aluminum Base Color: White Letter Color: Black

YOM Use: 1957-58 model years, provided tabs are in place - 1961-1966 model years with correct stickers
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on top of plate justified to the left in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. When letters are present, they are slightly smaller than numbers. Revalidated with stickers from 1961-1966. (See sticker chart). Plate is nearly identical to 1957-1958 plate with exception of embossed year of issue and tab slots. For the purposes of our program, the 1957-1958 and 1961-1966 plates shall be considered interchangeable provided the year of the vehicle is shown with the proper tab, is naturally embossed on the plate (for 5758 ) or the correct sticker is on the plate (for 61-66). Vanity plates were first issued on this base in 1961.

1959-1960


Measurements: 6 " x 12 "


Material: Steel

Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1959 and 1960 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND $\{T A B\} "$ embossed on top of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. When letters are present, they are slightly smaller than numbers.

Revalidated with black on white tabs in 1960. (See Tab Chart).

## 1957-1958



Measurements: 6"x 12" Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black
YOM Use: 1957-58 model years, provided tabs are in place - 1961-1966 model years with correct stickers
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 3 numbers, or 2 letters followed by up to 3 digits
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND $\{\mathrm{TAB}\}$ " embossed on top of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. When letters are present, they are slightly smaller than numbers. Revalidated with white on black tabs in 1958. For the purposes of our program, the 1957-1958 and 1961-1966 plates shall be considered interchangeable provided the year of the vehicle is shown with the proper tab, is naturally embossed on the plate (for 57-58) or the correct sticker is on the plate (for 61-66).


Measurements: $6^{1 / 4 " \times 11 " \text { Material: Steel }}$

## Base Color: Black Letter Color: White

YOM Use: 1951, 1952, 1955 and 1956 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "RHODE \{TAB \} ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. 1951 plates were revalidated with a window sticker. New registrations in

1952 were issued plates with " 52 " embossed on the plate. New plates were issued for all registrations in 1955 and revalidated with tabs in 1956. For the purposes of our program, these plates shall be considered interchangeable provided the year of the vehicle is shown with the proper tab (see Tab Chart), or naturally embossed on the plate.


Measurements: $61 / 4 " x$ 11" Material: Aluminum (1948-1950), Steel (1953-1954)
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black
YOM Use: 1948, 1949, 1950, 1953 and 1954 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "RHODE $\{\mathrm{TAB}\}$ ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with tabs in 1949 and 1950. New plates issued in 1953 (revalidated in 1954) that were aesthetically the same as 1948. For the purposes of our program, these plates shall be considered interchangeable provided the year of the vehicle is shown with the proper tab (see Tab Chart), or naturally embossed on the plate.

1946-1947


Measurements: $6^{1 / 2 " x} \times 11^{" M}$ Material: Aluminum Base Color: Raw Aluminum/Silver Letter Color: Black

YOM Use: 1946 and 1947 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "RHODE \{TAB \} ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with Tabs in 1947.

## 1942-1946



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White
YOM Use: 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945 and 1946 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. \{TAB\}" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. A small embossed white rectangle follows the first letter of the plate. Revalidated with a window sticker in 1943 and tabs in 1944, 1945 and 1946. (See Tab Chart). For the purposes of our program, these plates shall be considered interchangeable provided the year of the vehicle is shown with the proper tab, or naturally embossed on the plate.
**Special Note** In 1946, two different base plates were issued. Both are acceptable.

## 1941



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1941 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or 1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "R.I. 41" embossed on top of plate centered in black characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. A small embossed black rectangle follows the first letter of the plate.

## 1940



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1940 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or
1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 40" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. A small embossed white rectangle follows the first letter of the plate.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1939 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or

1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "R.I. 39" embossed on top of plate centered in black characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. A small embossed black rectangle follows the first letter of the plate.

## 1938



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1938 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only), or 1 Letter followed by up to 4 numbers.
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1938" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1937 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "1937 RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny black embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1936



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1936 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "1636 RHODE ISLAND 1936" embossed on top of plate centered in white characters. " $300^{\text {th }}$ YEAR" centered on bottom of plate in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny white embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1935



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1935 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND 35 " embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny black embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1934 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "1934 RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny white embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1933 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "33 RHODE ISLAND" embossed on top of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny black embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1932



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1932 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND 1932" embossed on top of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny white embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1931



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1931 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "31 RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A tiny black embossed vertical dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

1930


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1930 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "RHODE ISLAND" embossed on bottom of plate justified to the left in white characters. "1930" embossed on bottom of plate justified to the right in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A white embossed dash precedes the third from the right character on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1929 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "29-R.I." embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A black embossed square precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1928



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1928 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 6 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1928" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A white embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1927 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "27 R.I." embossed on top of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A black embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

1926


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1926 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1926" embossed on top of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A white embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

1925


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1925 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1925" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A black embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1924 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1924" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A white embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.

## 1923



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1923 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1923" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. A black embossed dash precedes the third character from the right on plates with 4 or more characters.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1922 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1922" embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.

1921


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1921 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate. "R.I. 1921" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate.


Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1920 model year
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. Plate message is centered on plate with white characters. "R.I. 1920" on bottom of plate centered in white characters.

## 1919

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Measurements: Varies based on number of characters Material: Steel
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1919 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. Plate message is centered on plate with black characters. "R.I. 1919" on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Inverse color scheme from 1918 plate.

## 1918



Measurements: Varies based on number of characters
Material: Steel
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1918 model year Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. Plate message is centered on plate with white characters. "R.I. 1918" on bottom of plate centered in white characters.

## 1912-1917



Measurements: $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12$ " Material: Porcelain on Iron
Base Color: White Letter Color: Black YOM Use: 1912-1917 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 5 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. "R" over "I" followed by plate message in black characters.


Measurements: $5 \frac{1}{2 \prime} \times 14 "$ or $51 / 2 " \times 91 / 2 " \quad$ Material: Porcelain on Iron
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1908-1911 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. Plate message in white characters followed by "RI" in capital letters.

## 1904-1907



Measurements: 6 "x10" Material: Porcelain on Iron
Base Color: Black Letter Color: White YOM Use: 1904-1907 model years
Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)
Description: Flat Plate. $1^{\text {st }}$ plates issued in state of RI. "REGISTERED IN R.I." across top of plate in white capital letters. Plate message centered in large white characters.

