



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
YEAR OF MANUFACTURE LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM
PLATE DESIGN GUIDE

ANTIQUE PLATES

First year of issue: 1953 – Able to be used on any vehicle 1953-1996.

1982-1996



Measurements: 6” x 12” **Material:** Aluminum

Base Color: White **Letter Color:** Blue

Fully Reflective **YOM Use:** 1982-1996 model years

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in blue characters centered on plate with small “cartoon” car with longer windshield, embossed before plate message. A small blue embossed anchor is present in the top left corner. “ANTIQUE” 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).

1972-1981



Measurements: 6” x 12” **Material:** Aluminum

Base Color: White **Letter Color:** Black

Fully Reflective **YOM Use:** 1972-1981 model years

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate with small “cartoon” car with longer windshield, embossed before plate message. “ANTIQUE” 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).

1959-1960 and 1965-1968



Measurements: 6” x 12” **Material:** Steel (1959-1960) Aluminum (1965-1968)

Base Color: Black **Letter Color:** White

YOM Use: 1959 and 1960 model years provided correct tabs are in place. 1965-1968 model years provided correct stickers are present

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate with small “cartoon” car with longer windshield, embossed before plate message. “ANTIQUE” in white letters embossed justified to the right on top of plate. For 59-60, “RHODE ISLAND {TAB}” embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. For 65-68 “RHODE ISLAND” is embossed in white letters and justified to the left. Embossed white pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Tab slots and embossed year of issue are present in the 1959-1960 version. Revalidated with white on black tabs in 1960 and stickers from 1965-1968. For the purposes of our program, these can be used interchangeably provided tab or sticker is correct.

1957-1958, 1961-1964 and 1969-1972



Measurements: 6" x 12"

Material: Steel (1957-1958) Aluminum (1961-1964 and 1969-1972)

Base Color: White **Letter Color:** Black

YOM Use: 1957 and 1958 model years provided correct tabs are in place. 1961-1964 and 1969-1972 model years provided correct stickers are present

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate with small "cartoon" car with longer windshield, embossed before plate message. "ANTIQUE" in black letters embossed justified to the right on top of plate. For 57-58 plate, "RHODE ISLAND {TAB}" embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. For 61-64 and 69-72 "RHODE ISLAND" is embossed in black letters and justified to the left. Embossed black pinstripe border on perimeter of plate. Tab slots and embossed year of issue are present in the 1957-1958 version. Revalidated with white on black tabs in 1958 and stickers from 1961-1964 and 1969-1972. For the purposes of our program, these can be used interchangeably provided tab or sticker is correct.

****Special Note**** In 1972, two different base plates were issued. Both are acceptable.

1955-1956



Measurements: 6 ¼” x 11” **Material:** Steel
Base Color: Black **Letter Color:** White
YOM Use: 1955 and 1956 model years

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in white characters centered on plate with small “cartoon” car with short windshield embossed before plate message. “ANTIQUE” in white letters embossed centered on top of plate. “RHODE {TAB} ISLAND” embossed on bottom of plate centered in white characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with black on white tabs in 1956.

1953-1954



Measurements: 6 ¼” x 11” **Material:** Steel
Base Color: White **Letter Color:** Black
YOM Use: 1953 and 1954 model years

Number Sequence Allowed: Between 1 and 4 digits (numbers only)

Description: Embossed plate message in black characters centered on plate with small “cartoon” car with short windshield embossed before plate message. “ANTIQUE” in bold black letters embossed centered on top of plate. “RHODE {TAB} ISLAND” embossed on bottom of plate centered in black characters. Debossed edge border on perimeter of plate. Revalidated with white on black tabs in 1954.