

**RCW 46.18.100 Sponsoring organization requirements.** (1) For an organization to qualify for a special license plate under the special license plate approval program created in this chapter, the sponsoring organization must submit documentation to the department that verifies that the organization is:

(a) (i) A nonprofit organization, as defined in 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c) (3). The department may request a copy of an Internal Revenue Service ruling to verify an organization's nonprofit status; and

(ii) Located in Washington state and has registered as a charitable organization with the secretary of state's office as required by law; or

(b) (i) A professional sports franchise located in Washington state; and

(ii) Using the proceeds from a special license plate in conjunction with a nonprofit organization, as defined in 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c) (3), solely for the purposes outlined under RCW 46.68.420.

(2) For a governmental body to qualify for a special license plate under the special license plate approval program created in this chapter, a governmental body must be:

(a) A political subdivision including, but not limited to, any county, city, town, municipal corporation, or special purpose taxing district that has the express permission of the political subdivision's executive body to sponsor a special license plate;

(b) A federally recognized tribal government that has received the approval of the executive body of that government to sponsor a special license plate;

(c) A state agency that has received approval from the director of the agency or the department head; or

(d) A community or technical college that has the express permission of the college's board of trustees to sponsor a special license plate. [2013 c 286 s 4; 2010 c 161 s 605; 2004 c 222 s 3; 2003 c 196 s 201. Formerly RCW 46.16.735.]

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