WAC 308-96A-078 Professional firefighters and paramedics special vehicle license plate series. (1) Who may apply for the professional firefighters and paramedics (PFFP) license plate(s)? Only members of the Washington state council of firefighters who are indicated on the vehicle record as a registered or coregistered owner of a vehicle may apply. The professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s) will be issued upon proof of eligibility and receipt of all applicable fees.

(2) What must be provided as proof that the applicant is a current member to the Washington state council of firefighters (WSCFF)? A member of the Washington state council of firefighters must provide a current letter from the WSCFF and either a valid Washington state drivers license or identification card, or International Federation of Firefighters identification showing current membership.

(3) When is proof of WSCFF membership required? Upon initial application or vehicle registration renewal.

(4) When ownership of a vehicle issued professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s) is transferred, what happens to the plate(s)? The special license plate owner must remove the plate(s) from the vehicle. The plate owner may transfer the special plate(s) to a replacement vehicle. License plate transfer fees apply.

(5) Will any new fees be charged when the professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s) are sold, traded, or otherwise transferred? If the registration expiration date for the new vehicle is later than registration expiration date of the previous vehicle, an abated fee for the professional firefighters and paramedics license plate will be charged at the rate of one-twelfth of the annual professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s) fee for each succeeding month and partial month. If the new registration expiration date is sooner than the previous registration expiration date, a refund will not be made for the remaining registration period.

(6) When replacing professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s), is same license plate number and letter combination issued? Yes. If the vehicle owner requests and pays the fees described in RCW 46.16A.200, the professional firefighters and paramedics license plate(s) may be replaced with the same number and letter combination as shown on the vehicle computer record.

(7) Will my license plates that have been reported stolen be replaced with new license plates with the same number and letter combination? If the license plate(s) has been reported as stolen or if the department record indicates the plate has been stolen, the same number and letter combination will not be issued. This is a law enforcement issue and is for the protection of the public.

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