

Massachusetts Registry Announces 2018 Low Number Plate Lottery

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) announced that applications for the 2018 Low Number Plate Lottery are now being accepted online at mass.gov/platelottery or by mail. Applicants must apply by August 27 and, if selected for a low number plate, will be notified after the drawing takes place in September.

“We are pleased to once again offer low plate vehicle numbers through a lottery system,” said Registrar Erin Deveney. “We always have a high level of demand for license plates with very few numbers or very few letters. We encourage our customers to visit mass.gov/platelottery where they can apply online or print out the lottery form if needed.”

Applications for the 2018 Low Plate Lottery must be received online or postmarked by August 28, 2018 in order for the applicant to be eligible.

This year, there are 201 plates that are available through the low plate lottery. Some of this year’s low plate characters are 1400, 2558, 4J, Y4, 55Z, 77V, and Z81.

In 2017, the Registry received over 11,000 applications, for 162 plates, an increase of 3,000 applications from the prior year.

Applicants should note that there is no fee to apply. However, should the applicant be selected as a winner, there is a fee that will be required, as the fee is required of all new license plates, as well as a standard registration fee.

Customers are encouraged to visit the RMV’s website or follow

the RMV on Twitter @MassRMV for upcoming details on the drawing, including the date, time, and location of the event. By law, winners must be announced by September 15, 2018, and the names of winners will be posted on the RMV website.

The Registry issues and oversees all license, ID, and motor vehicle registrations in the Commonwealth.

The RMV is committed to providing efficient, reliable, and professional customer service. The RMV recommends that customers "Start Online First" to review the 40 transactions and services that are available online before visiting a service center. In addition, many RMV transactions can be done at a AAA Northeast customer location for AAA members.