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Personalized license plates expire in birth month beginning January 2019

House Bill 530 syncs renewal window with standard issue plates

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 6, 2018) –The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has announced all personalized license plates will transition to a birth month expiration beginning January 2, 2019 to comply with House Bill 530. This legislative change brings personalized license plates in line with standard issue plates that expire on the last day of the vehicle owner’s birth month.

Currently, personalized license plates expire annually on December 31 and all applicants must renew their registration in-person at their local County Clerk’s office between November 15 and December 31. Beginning in January 2019, individuals with January, February or March birth months will renew their personalized plates in person or [online](#) anytime between their birth month and April 30, 2019. All other birth months will renew by the last day of their birth month. In 2020, all applicants will renew by the last day of their birth month.

“We’re offering plate holders with birth dates in the earlier part of the year an extended period to renew in order to alleviate some of the burden of requiring multiple registration renewals in a short period of time,” said Department of Vehicle Regulation Commissioner Matt Henderson. “All personalized license plate holders have until December 31 of this year to make an in-person payment of their 2019 registration fees and the full amount of 2018 vehicle taxes owed.”

Personalized plate holders who renew between November 15 and December 31 of 2018 will pay 2019 registration fees for the period of January 1, 2019 through the last day of the individual’s birth month in 2019. Online renewal is not available through December 31 but will resume January 2, 2019 for unexpired registration renewals only. The changes only affect the timing of when applicants renew and do not include any fee changes.

When renewing your registration at the County Clerk's office, applicants should bring the following:

- Photo ID
- Kentucky certificate of registration
- Current original (not a copy) proof of Kentucky insurance effective within 45 days
- Appropriate form of payment (check with your County Clerk's office)

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