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Alabama	Yes	there is no limit	motor vehicle dealer, $26; motorcycle dealer, $18	must obtain a regulatory dealer license and a state and county business license in the county where the business is located	vehicles must be in the dealer's inventory	Yes
Arkansas	Yes	one master plate; additional plates are issued based upon the number of managers, sales managers, salespersons identified in a provided list	$100 for the master plate; $25 for each additional plate	must provide the required dealer certification or a copy of the dealer's license from either the Dept. of Arkansas State Police or the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission	to and from work by the dealer, manager, sales manager or a sales person employed by the dealership; for personal or business trips inside or outside the dealer's county of residence; to transport the vehicle; or to demonstrate the vehicle	Yes

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Florida	Yes	there is no limit	$42.15 for annual tax and other fees; $33.65 for half year tax and other fees; $30.15 for qtr. year tax and other fees	must have a valid FL dealer license	plates can be used (1) operated in connection with a dealer's business, (2) demonstration purposes (with or without a dealer representative in the vehicle), (3) in transit to or from a dealer's place of business, (4) temporarily loaned (without compensation) by a dealer to a customer while the customer's vehicle is being repaired by the dealer, (5) being transported to an auction and demonstrated in the auction area	No

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Georgia	Yes	3 plates (i.e., 1 master and 2 additional without completing an affidavit), additional plates outside the 2 must complete form MV-6B; new applicant or in business less than a year is based upon the number of vehicles the business is projected to sell (retail or wholesale), distribute, manufacture or transport during the coming year	$62 annual fee for a master plate; $12 annual fee for additional plate	completed initial application is approved by the Division which consists of (a) $35,000 bond for used motor vehicle dealers and $10,000 for used motor vehicle parts dealers, (b) certificate of ins., (c) fingerprints scanned at an approved GAPS, (d) proof applicant has attended seminar, (e) proof applicant has applied for a sales tax registration number, (f) photographs, and (g) appropriate fee	on vehicles in the dealer's inventory that are being demonstrated to a potential purchaser; to transport a vehicle from one location to another; for personal use by officers or employees of the business on vehicles owned by the business;	No
Louisiana	Yes	there is no limit???	$15 per plate	must possess a current dealer's permit number issued by either the Louisiana Dept. of Motor Vehicle Commission, the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission or the Louisiana State Fire Marshall; permit number be on application for the plate; must submit a copy of the certificate of insurance	operate any vehicle in the dealership's inventory for the purpose of sale; to display or exhibit the vehicle to the public;	No

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Mississippi	Yes	there is no limit	$43.75 for each plate up to 12. Additional plates $83.75; motorcycle plates are $14.75	obtain a dealer tag permit for $100, motorcycle permit for $50; dealers must justify the number of plates requested when the number exceeds the number of full-time employees at the dealership	testing and adjusting vehicle in the vicinity of the dealer's place of business; one-time demonstration of a heavy truck, either empty or under load, by prospective bona fide purchaser; for business or demonstration use of the dealer or any full-time employee of the dealership or prospective purchaser; customer whose vehicle is being repaired by the dealer	Yes
Missouri	Yes	the number of plates are based on the number of vehicles sold from July of the previous year to June of the current year. Dealers usually receive 3 plates, then 1 additional for every 10 vehicles sold during the time frame identified. However, there are some different calculations for other types of dealers. http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/C300-399/3010000560.HTM	fees for a full year are $50 for the first plate and $10.50 for each additional plate. Plates purchased throughout the year are prorated	the applicant must meet all the requirements to become a dealer: $25,000 surety bond, bona fide place of business (building, lot and sign), criminal background check, and have a dealer application completed and signed by a Highway Patrol or authorized officer	Plates can be used to test drive a vehicle and may be used by an owner, officer or employee of the dealership	Yes

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South Carolina	yes	Sales volumes are used to calculate eligible number of plates. Dealers may receive 2 plates for first twenty sales in previous year (or when newly licensed for anticipated sales). One additional plate for each 15 sales after the first 20.	$20/plate	must have valid SC dealer license and must make application, must have liability insurance	may be used exclusively on motor vehicles owned by, assigned, or loaned for test driving purposes to the dealer when operated on the highways of this State by the dealer, its corporate officers, its employees, or a prospective purchaser of the motor vehicle. The use by a prospective purchaser is limited to seven days, and the dealer shall provide the prospective purchaser with a dated demonstration certificate. The certificate must be approved by the department. Dealer plates must not be used to operate wreckers or service vehicles in use by the dealer nor to operate vehicles owned by the dealer that are leased or rented by the public.	Yes

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North Carolina	Yes	number is based on the number of vehicles sold by the dealer in a 12 month period and the average number of qualifying sales representatives employed during the 12 month period, less than 12 vehicles sold - 2 plates; at least 12 vehicles sold, but less than 25 - 4; at least 25 vehicles sold, but less than 37 - 5; at least 37 vehicles sold, but less than 49 - 6; 49 or more vehicles sold - at least 6, but no more than 4 times the avg. number of qualifying sales rep. employed by the dealer in the 12 month period	$28 each for the first five; $14 for each additional plate	filing an application with the Division and paying the required fee; must certify the number of vehicles sold in the 12 month period	must be part of the dealer's inventory; is not consigned to the dealer; covered by liability insurance and meets the requirements of Article 9A of the manual; driven on the hwy. by a person who has a demonstration permit to test drive the vehicle and carries the permit while driving the vehicle; is an officer or sales representative of the dealer & drives the vehicle for business purpose of the dealer; is an employee of the dealer and driving vehicle in the course of employment	Yes

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Virginia	Yes	2 plates if less than 25 vehicles sold during the last 12 months of the preceding license year; 4 plates if at least 25, but fewer than 50 vehicles during the last 12 months of the preceding license year; sold 50 or more vehicles during the last 12 months of the preceding license yr. will be eligible to receive a number of plates not to exceed 4 times the number of licensed salespersons employed by that dealership; a new dealership will be eligible to receive a number of plates not to exceed 4 times the number of licensed salespersons employed by that dealership	$30 per year for the first two plates and $13 per year for each additional plate	dealer must certify that there is liability insurance or a certificate of self-insurance	operated on highways by dealers or dealer-operators, their spouses or employees of manufacturers, distributors and dealers; used by bona fide prospective purchaser who is either accompanied by a licensed salesperson or has the written permission of the dealer; a vehicle that is being driven to or from (a) point of sale, (b) an auction, (c) a repair facility for the purpose of mechanical repairs, painting, or installation of parts or accessories, or (d) a dealer exchange	No