

2023 Kansas Statutes

8-1,155. Firefighter license plates; procedures; requirements; firefighters training fund established; remittances and expenditures. (a) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of the state of Kansas, and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person is a firefighter, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a firefighter. Such license plates shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

(b) On and after January 1, 2022, any applicant or renewal for a firefighter license plate authorized by this section shall make an annual payment of a firefighters training fee of \$10 to the county treasurer for each license plate to be issued.

(c) Any person who is a firefighter may make an application for such distinctive license plates, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the distinctive license plates shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a firefighter. An application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plates under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(d) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form as provided in subsection (b). If such form is not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(f) Annual firefighters training fee payments collected by county treasurers under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the firefighters training fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury and shall be administered by the state treasurer. Expenditures from the firefighting training fund may be made for the purposes of providing financial support related to honoring Kansas firefighters, training Kansas firefighters or any general use that supports Kansas firefighters. All expenditures from the firefighters training fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the state treasurer or the state treasurer's designee. Payments from the firefighters training fund shall be made on a monthly basis to the appropriate designee of the Kansas state firefighters association.

History: L. 2004, ch. 170, § 6; L. 2006, ch. 8, § 1; L. 2021, ch. 95, § 18; July 1.