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<b>Alabama</b> Ala.Code 1975 § 32-6-51	Motor Vehicle Trailers		X	X				X					Must be attached.
<b>Alaska</b> AS § 28.10.161 AS § 28.10.171	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X*	X		X		X	X			12		*1 or 2 plates
<b>Arizona</b> A.R.S. § 28-2351 A.R.S. § 28-2354	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X*	X	X	X		X	X	X		12		*1 or 2 plates
<b>Arkansas</b> A.C.A. § 27-14-715 A.C.A. § 27-14-716	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		*1 or 2 plates
<b>California</b> West's Ann.Cal.Vehicl e Code § 4850 West's Ann.Cal.Vehicl e Code § 5201	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12	60 (Rear)  60 (Front)	

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Colorado C.R.S.A. § 42-3-201 C.R.S.A. § 42-3-202	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										
Connecticut C.G.S.A. § 14-18	Motor Vehicle	X*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			*1 or 2 plates ** Vehicle definition includes trailers
	Trailers**		X										
Delaware 21 Del.C. § 2121 21 Del.C. § 2126	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X		X	X		12		
Florida West's F.S.A. § 316.605 West's F.S.A. § 320.06	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12	60	*Vehicle definition includes trailers.
	Trailers*		X										
Georgia Ga. Code Ann., § 40-2-41	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X		X	X				
	Trailers		X										
Hawaii HRS § 249-7 HRS § 291-31	Motor Vehicle	X	X		X	X		X	X	X			
	Trailers		X										

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Idaho I.C. § 49-428 I.C. § 49-445	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		12		
	Trailers unclear		X										
Illinois 625 ILCS 5/3-412 625 ILCS 5/3-413	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		5		Glass covers and plastic covers are permitted. Tinted plastic covers are prohibited.
	Trailers		X										
Indiana IC 9-18-2-26 IC 9-13-2-150	RV (includes motor homes and trailers)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		Tires, bumpers, accessories or other opaque objects cannot obscure plate.
Iowa I.C.A. § 321.37 I.C.A. § 321.38	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										

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<b>Kansas</b> <b>K.S.A. 8-132</b> <b>K.S.A. 8-133</b>	Motor Vehicle	X*	X	X	X	X		X	X		12		*2 plates may be issued to a passenger vehicle or truck < 20,000 pounds gross weight. **Vehicle definition includes trailers.
	Trailers		X										
<b>Kentucky</b> <b>KRS § 186.005</b> <b>KRS § 186.170</b> <b>KRS § 189.030</b>	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X				X			*Vehicle definition includes trailers.
	Trailers*		X										
<b>Louisiana</b> <b>LSA-R.S. 32:53</b>	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X		X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										
<b>Maine</b> <b>29-A M.R.S.A. § 452</b>	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X		X						
	Trailers		X										

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<b>Maryland</b> MD Code, Transportation, § 13-411, § 13-411.1, § 22-204	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
	Trailers		X											
<b>Massachusetts</b> M.G.L.A. 90 § 6 540 MA ADC 18.04	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X				X				
	Trailers		X											
<b>Michigan</b> M.C.L.A. 257.225	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		*Vehicle definition includes trailers.	
	Trailers*		X											
<b>Minnesota</b> M.S.A. § 168.12	Vehicle	X	X										*Vehicle definition includes trailers.	
	Trailers*		X											
<b>Mississippi</b> Miss. Code Ann. § 27-19-31 § 27-19-33	Motor Vehicle	X*	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	12		*1 or 2 plates may be issued for a vehicle.	
	Trailers**		X								under or over rear light		**Vehicle definition includes trailers.	

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<b>Missouri</b> V.A.M.S. 301.130	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X		X	X	X			8	48	
	Trailers		X										
<b>Montana</b> MCA 61-3-301 MCA 61-3-332	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X		X		X	X				
	Trailers		X										
<b>Nebraska</b> Neb.Rev.St. § 60-399 Neb.Rev.St. § 60-3,100	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										
<b>Nevada</b> N.R.S. 482.265 N.R.S. 482.274 N.R.S. 482.275	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										
<b>New Hampshire</b> N.H. Rev. Stat. § 261:75 N.H. Rev. Stat. § 261:76  N.H. Code Admin. R. Saf- C 515.02, 515.03, 515.06	Motor Vehicle	X	X			X							
	Trailers		X										

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<b>New Jersey</b> N.J.S.A. 39:3-33 N.J.S.A. 39:3-48	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	12	48	
<b>New Mexico</b> N. M. S. A. 1978, § 66-3-18	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X	X	X			12		
<b>New York</b> McKinney's Vehicle and Traffic Law § 402	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X	X X		X	X		X	X		12	48	
<b>North Carolina</b> N.C.G.S.A. § 20-63	Motor Vehicle Trailers	X*	X X	X	X	X							*1 or 2 plates may be issued.
<b>North Dakota</b> NDCC, 39-04-11	Motor Vehicle House Trailers	X	X X	X	X	X	X	X			12		
<b>Ohio</b> R.C. § 4503.21	Motor Vehicle Trailers* Truck Campers*	X	X X X	X		X	X	X			12		*Motor vehicle definition includes recreational vehicles

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Oklahoma 47 Okl.St. Ann. § 1113 Okla. Admin. Code 595:50-5-1	Motor Vehicle		X	X		X		X					
Oregon O.R.S. § 803.525. § 803.540 § 803.550	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X							*Vehicle definition includes trailers and truck campers.
	Trailers*		X										
	Truck Camper*		X										
Pennsylvania 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 1332, § 4303  67 PA ADC § 47.2 § 47.3	Motor Vehicle	X*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12		*1 or 2 plates may be issued.
Rhode Island Gen.Laws 1956, § 31-3-10, § 31-3-18, § 31-3-42	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		
	Trailers		X										
	Truck Camper Unclear												

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<b>South Carolina</b> Code 1976 § 56-3-1240, § 56-5-4530	Motor Vehicle  Trailers unclear		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12		
<b>South Dakota</b> SDCL § 32-5-85 SDCL § 32-5-98 SDCL § 32-17-11	Motor Vehicle  Trailers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			*Vehicle definition includes trailers.
<b>Tennessee</b> T. C. A. § 55-4-109 T. C. A. § 55-4-110	Motorhome  Trailers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		Prohibits tinted material.
<b>Texas</b> V.T.C.A., Transportation Code § 502.059, § 502.475	Motor Vehicle  Trailers	X	X	X		X							*Vehicle definition includes trailers.
<b>Utah</b> U.C.A. 1953 § 41-1a-401, § 41-1a-404	Motor Vehicle  Trailers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		

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<b>Vermont</b> 23 V.S.A. § § 511, 512, 1248  Vt. Code R. 14 050 017	Motor Vehicle	X*	X		X	X	X	X	X				*1 or 2 plates may be issued.	
	Trailers		X											
<b>Virginia</b> Va. Code Ann. § 46.2-711 Va. Code Ann. § 46.2-715 Va. Code Ann. § 46.2-716	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X		X	X					
	Trailers		X											
<b>Washington</b> West's RCWA 46.16A.200 West's RCWA 46.16A.405 West's RCWA 46.16A.450	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X					48		
	Trailers		X											
	Campers		X											
<b>West Virginia</b> W. Va. Code, § 17A-3-14 W. Va. Code, § 17A-3-15	Motor Vehicle		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12			
	Trailers		X											
<b>Wisconsin</b> W.S.A. 341.12 W.S.A. 341.15	Motorhome	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
	Trailers		X											

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Wyoming W.S.1977 § 31-2-204 W.S.1977 § 31-2-205	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		
	House Trailers		X										
District of Columbia DC ST § 50-1501.02 18 DC ADC § 422	Motor Vehicle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		12		Prohibits tag from being covered with glass, plastic or other material or substance.
	Trailers		X										

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