

CZECH REGISTRATION PLATES AND THEIR COLOR OPTION SINCE YEAR 1953

Explanations to display on the front page

- A** = regional code for Praha (Prague) since 2001, e.g. normal series **3A4 5678**
- B** = regional code for Jihomoravský kraj (Southern Moravia, city Brno) since 2001, e.g. normal series **3B4 5678**
- AB** = serial code for City Prague since 1960 (AB – AZ), e.g. normal car series **AB-34-56** or **34-AB-56** for small trailers (valid continuously)
- CZ** = czech international oval since 1993 (1921–1992 = CS)
- DD** = diplomatic and consular corps 1960–1978, e.g. **CD-12-34**
- E** = regional code for Pardubický kraj (Eastern Bohemia, city Pardubice) since 2001, e.g. normal series **3E4 5678**
- F** = test plates for manufacturers, e.g. **F 23-45** (1984-2004) or **F 3456** (since 2004)
- GT** = district code for Gottwaldov (1960-1990, since 1990 renamed back to Zlín = ZL) e.g. normal series **GT 23-45** or **GTA-12-34** (A = serial letter)
- HC** = honorary consuls, 2002-2004 yellow on blue, since 2004 blue on reflexiv white, e.g. **010 HC23**
- JI** = hire plates, district code for Jihlava (1960-2001), hire cars 1986-1994 (valid continuously), e.g. **JID-54-32**
- KL** = foreign residents in district Kladno (Central Bohemia, 1960-2001), e.g. **KLM-27-51**
(M = serial letter) valid continuously
- MN** = motorcycles (1953-1960) in district Ostrava (N = Northern Moravia & Silesia), e.g. normal series MN-12-34
- OP** = hire plates for truck trailers 1994-2001 (valid continuously), district code for Opava (Northern Moravia & Silesia)
- R** = sport vehicles since 2006, e.g. **11R 0022** (11 = code for Central Bohemia, 0022 = serial number)
- ST** = commercial series in Strakonice (Southern Bohemia) since 1960 valid continuously, e.g. **ST-54-32** or **STI-65-43**
- U** = regional code for Ústecký kraj (Northern Bohemia), city Ústí nad Labem) since 2001, e.g. normal series **3U4 5678**
- V** = veteran vehicles, e.g. **V 3456** (2001-2006), **10V 0123** (since 2006, 10 = code for Western Bohemia, city: Plzeň, 0123 = serial number)
- XX** = non-diplomatic embassy staff (1978-2004), e.g. **XX-23-45** (1978-86), **XXA-23-45** (1978-2002), **XXA 2345** (2002-2004)
- Y** = serial letter since 1975 e.g. ABY-12-34 (AB = Praha) or serial letter for sample plates e.g. **Y00 0000, YO 0000, YO 000**
- ZO** = temporary registration for imported vehicles (1954-1979), ZO = 1954-60 code for district Olomouc, 1960-79 code for all customs office, e.g. **ZO-10-10**
- 12** = regional code for sport (code letter R) and veteran (code letter V) vehicles, e.g. **12R 0002** (12 = Moravskoslezský kraj = Northern Moravia & Silesia)
- 034** = three digit serial number on all diplomatic and non-diplomatic series (first number mandatory zero) since 2004, e.g. **034 CD12**
- 5678** = four digit serial number on all standard regional series (see above letter codes A, B, E) and sport (R) or veteran (V) series; format 0000-9999
- 901** = three digit serial number of military series followed by two pair of hyphenated numerals e.g. **901-12-34** (since 1969), without hyphens between the first pair of numerals e.g. **901 12-34** since 1986

The current and historical series differentiated by the colours

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| black on ocre | commercial, agricultural and special vehicles 1953 – 2001
business machine, agricultural and special vehicles since 2001
military vehicles since 1959 |
| red on white | test and trade plates 1953-1960
hire cars and trailers since 1986 |
| red on yellow | foreign residents and diplomats 1953-1978
commercial hire cars and trailers since 1994 |
| yellow on blue | foreign residents and diplomats 1978-2001 |
| green on white | test and trade plates (since 1984),
veteran (since 2001) and sport vehicles (since 2006) |
| black on white | since 1953 all other vehicles |



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