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Readopt with amendment, Saf-C 3401.01 through Saf-C 3403.03, effective 1-21-26 (Document #14487, INTERIM), to read as follows:

CHAPTER Saf-C 3400 COMMEMORATIVE PLATES

PART Saf-C 3401 PURPOSE

Saf-C 3401.01 Purpose. The purpose of this part is to set forth the procedures for state agencies, towns, or cities to offer for purchase commemorative plates in acknowledgement and celebration of a significant anniversary.

PART Saf-C 3402 DEFINITIONS

Saf-C 3402.01 "Agency" means "agency" as defined in RSA 21-G:5, IV.

Saf-C 3402.02"American Independence commemorative license plate" means a license plate celebrating the 250th anniversary of American Independence.

Saf-C 3402.03 "Authorized requestor" means a person authorized to represent the state agencies, towns, or cities in requesting approval of a commemorative plate.

Saf-C 3402.04 "Commemorative license plate" means a plate designed to recognize and celebrate the anniversary or similar special occasion by state agencies, towns, or cities, in increments of 50, 75, or 100 years.

Saf-C 3402.05 "Director" means "director" as defined in RSA 259:20.

Saf-C 3402.06 "Division" means "division" as defined in RSA 259:22.

Saf-C 3402.07 "Motor vehicle" means "motor vehicle" as defined in RSA 259:60.

Saf-C 3402.08 "Requesting entity" means the state agencies, towns, or cities requesting commemorative plates.

Saf-C 3402.09 "Vehicle" means "vehicle" as defined in RSA 259:122.

PART Saf-C 3403 AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE COMMEMORATIVE PLATE

Saf-C 3403.01 Design. The American Independence commemorative license plate shall:

(a) Have the words "New Hampshire" on the lower border;

(b) Have the words "live free or die" on the upper border;

(c) Have the dates "1776-2026" in the center;

(d) Have an image of the old man of the mountain on the right hand side; and

(e) Have the number "250" encircled by 13 stars on the left hand side of the plate.

Saf-C 3403.02 Purchase of the American Independence Commemorative Plate.

(a) Any person wishing to purchase an American Independence commemorative plate may do so:

(1) Online at: www.dmv.nh.gov;

(2) In person at a DMV office; or

(3) At any designated location listed on the division's website.

(b) The cost for each plate shall be $25.00, excluding shipping and handling which shall be borne by the requestor, if applicable.

Saf-C 3403.03 Display of the American Independence Commemorative Plate.

(a) An American Independence commemorative plate may be attached to the front of a registered vehicle in place of a regular number plate. The rear plate registered to the vehicle shall remain in place.

(b) An American Independence commemorative plate may only be displayed on the front of the vehicle in accordance with (a) above, from January 1, 2026, through July 4, 2027.

(c) At the end of the display period, the American Independence commemorative plate shall be removed from the front of the vehicle, and the regular registration plate reattached to the front of the vehicle, pursuant to Saf-C 500.

Adopt of Saf-C 3404 through Saf-C 3407 to read as follows:

PART Saf-C 3404 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Saf-C 3404.01 Application Process.

(a) An authorized requestor may apply for approval of a commemorative plate design to celebrate an anniversary to the director by submitting a signed letter of request on letterhead.

(b) The letter of request shall include the following information:

(1) Name and title of the authorized requestor submitting the request on behalf of the state agency, town, or city;

(2) The increment of the anniversary; and

(3) Camera-ready copy of the plate design, created pursuant to Saf-C 3402.02.

Saf-C 3404.02 Plate Design.

(a) The requesting entity shall design its own plate commemorating the anniversary, which shall include:

(1) The years of the commemorating anniversary;

(2) The name of the requesting entity; and

(3) A symbol or logo that has significance to the requesting entity.

(b) The commemorative plate design shall not include sequential numbering.

Saf-C 3405 DESIGN APPROVAL

Saf-C 3405.01 Approval by Director.

(a) The director shall review the plate design in accordance with the requirements of Saf-C 3404.02.

(b) An approval letter on official division of motor vehicles letterhead shall be sent to the requesting entity.

(c) Upon receipt of the approval letter, the requesting entity shall be responsible for printing, selling, and distributing the commemorative plates.

Saf-C 3406 SALE OF COMMEMORATIVE PLATES

Saf-C 3406.01 Plate Cost. All costs for the design and manufacturing of plates shall be incurred by the requesting entity. If the requesting entity is a state agency, retail sales of plates shall include the manufacturing costs.

Saf-C 3406.02 Plate Sales. The sales price of the approved commemorative plate shall be set by the requesting entity.

Saf-C 3407 DISPLAY OF COMMEMORATIVE PLATES

Saf-C 3407.01 Display. A commemorative plate may be attached to the front of a motor vehicle in place of a regular number plate, pursuant to Saf-C 514.03. The rear plate registered to the vehicle shall remain in place.

Saf-C 3407.02 Vehicle Registration. A motor vehicle displaying a commemorative plate pursuant to Saf-C 3404.01 shall be registered pursuant to Saf-C 500 and RSA 261:40.

Saf-C 3407.03 Display Period.

(a) An approved commemorative plate, pursuant to RSA 261:91-a, shall be displayed from January 1st through December 31st during the celebration year.

(b) At the end of the display period, the commemorative plate shall be removed from the front of a motor vehicle and a regular registration plate reattached to the front of the vehicle, pursuant to RSA 261:76.

APPENDIX

Rule	Statute Rule Implements
Saf-C 3401	RSA 261:91-a; RSA 261:91-b
Saf-C 3402.01	RSA 21-G:5, IV
Saf-C 3402.02	RSA 261:91-b
Saf-C 3402.03	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C 3402.04	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C 3402.05	RSA 259:20
Saf-C 3402.06	RSA 259:22
Saf-C 3402.07	RSA 259:60
Saf-C 3402.08	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C-3402.09	RSA 259:122
Saf-C 3403	RSA 261:91-a; RSA 261:91-b
Saf-C 3404	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C 3405	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C 3406	RSA 261:91-a
Saf-C 3407	RSA: 261:40; RSA 261:91-a; RSA 261:76