

Special License Plate for  
Shag Dance Clubs of Virginia  
May 2008 update

A lot of time and effort has been expended by a lot of club members to arrive at the point where we can now begin collecting completed license plate applications from you, our club members. We are now asking you to participate by ordering one or more plates (more if you would like one for more than one vehicle). The process is quite simple and the cost is minimal (\$10.00 for the basic "Shag Dance Clubs of Virginia" plate, an additional fee of \$10.00 if you choose to personalize your plate). These fees will be collected in the fall of this year and made payable to and deposited in our club treasury. The regular registration fee (now \$39.50 for a vehicle weighing 4,000lbs or less) will be billed to you by DMV. Please complete the license application form and deliver it to any board member or mail it to Colonial Shag Club, P.O. Box 12104, Newport News, Virginia 23612-2104.

How to obtain the license application form: Go to google and type in DMV's website address <http://www.dmv.state.va.us/webdoc/pdf/vsa10.pdf> . The license application form and accompanying instructions appear. Download as needed. The form will also be included in the May newsletter and is available at DMV customer service centers.

Fill in the form: **The "Type of Plate" is "Special Interest" Check that box and print "Shag Dance Clubs of Virginia". If you elect to personalize your plate check the "Personalized Plates" box and print four choices for your personalization selections. For each choice, you cannot exceed 6 character spaces using numerals, letters and the special characters dash, space and ampersand.**

**Moving down the form to "plate type" enter the type of plate that you now have on your vehicle that will be replaced by the new shag tag. Complete the "Certification /signatures section and you are finished. Give the form one final check and make certain that all entries are printed legibly.**

Information on the club's website: **Go to Google and type in [www.colonialshagclub.com](http://www.colonialshagclub.com). Our home page appears. Click on "Shag Tag Info". Two links appear. "Application Info" contains this update, which you will also receive by e-mail. A modified version will appear in our May newsletter Next click on "A CALL TO ACTION". This site exhibits depictions of a standard and personalized plate as well as pertinent comments. It may help you with your decision as to which plate you want. Either of these items may be downloaded from this website. Members without computer access will receive copies of pertinent documents by mail. They will also be available at our Sat. night socials.**

Of historical note: **On a Saturday June 2<sup>nd</sup> of the year 2007, representatives of nine Virginia shag clubs met in Richmond, Virginia with officers of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs. A proposal that each club support the authorization and**

**development of a motor vehicle license plate was accepted unanimously. That was the beginning. It has since been introduced into and acted upon by the Transportation Committee of the General Assembly who neither rejected or approved the Special License Plate Bill but voted to carry it over to the 2009 session. Our shag club representative, who was present at that committee hearing, was advised that it would likely be approved if evidence of adequate support by the membership of the Virginia shag clubs was presented at the 2009 session. Translation: a large number of completed applications accompanied by payments. Existing Virginia law requires a minimum of 350. 500 or more would be more convincing. Your completed application now (without payment) represents your firm commitment to purchase the plate(s) after the bill is approved by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor.**

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