OHIO REVISED CODE (R.C.) SECTION 4503.44 STATES IN PART THAT: an individual qualifies if that disability limits or impairs the ability to walk as determined by a health care provider. The disability must meet any of the following criteria:

1. Cannot walk two hundred feet without stopping to rest;
2. Cannot walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair, or other assistive device;
3. Is restricted by a lung disease to such an extent that the person’s forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty millimeters of mercury on room air at rest;
4. Uses portable oxygen;
5. Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person’s functional limitations are classified in severity as Class III or Class IV according to standards set by the American Heart Association;
6. Is severely limited in the ability to walk due to an arthritic, neurological, or orthopedic condition;
7. A person that is blind, legally blind, or severely visually impaired.

I, [Name of Health Care Provider], certify that the above named applicant has a disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk as defined above by R.C. section 4503.44.

If you have a valid Ohio Disability Placard, submit your current placard number and expiration date.

PLACARD NUMBER ____________________________ EXPIRATION DATE ____________________________

In addition to the signed application and fees, all applicants for new or exchange disability license plates must submit an Ohio Certificate of Title, Memorandum Title, or valid Registration in the name of the current owner / person with disability.

☐ I would like to donate $ __________________ to the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency.

EXCHANGE

If your vehicle now has regular license plates, you can exchange them for disability license plates. Your regular Ohio license plates will no longer be valid when you receive the disability plates and should be destroyed.

Any changes in vehicle ownership, contact your local Deputy Registrar agency or call the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles at 844-OHIOBMV (644-6268).

***OWNERS OF ALTERED VEHICLES, VANS OR BUSES MUST READ THE INSTRUCTIONS AND COMPLETE THE AFFIDAVIT ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM***
AFFIDAVIT FOR MODIFIED / ALTERED VEHICLE OR BUS
PRESCRIBED BY THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES
FOR DISABILITY LICENSE PLATES

NAME ON TITLE

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

VEHICLE YEAR

VEHICLE MAKE

VEHICLE SERIAL NUMBER

SEATING CAPACITY (REQUIRED IF DESIGNATED AS A BUS)

GVW (REQUIRED IF DESIGNATED AS A BUS)

☐ ALTERED VEHICLE (Passenger, Motor Home, Noncommercial, Motorcycle, House Vehicle). Applicant being duly sworn states that the above described vehicle has been altered to accommodate and transport persons with disabilities.

☐ VAN (body type on title must state Van). Applicant being duly sworn states that the above described vehicle has been modified with equipment needed to facilitate the movement of persons with disabilities into and out of the van. The van must be used principally for the transportation of persons with disabilities.

☐ BUS (body type on title must state Bus). Applicant being duly sworn states that the above described vehicle is a bus that will be used principally for transportation of persons with disabilities.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

DATE

Notary:

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this ___ day of ________________, 20____ in ______________________ County, State of ______________________.

(Notary Seal)

Signature of Notary Public X __________________ My commission expires __________________

An ALTERED VEHICLE is a motor vehicle that has been altered with special equipment to assist a person with disabilities but it is not owned by that person with disabilities.

A VAN must be modified with equipment needed to facilitate the movement of persons with disabilities into and out of the van. The van must be used principally for the transportation of persons with disabilities. To qualify for van license plates, the BODY TYPE on the Ohio Title must read VAN.

The owner of a BUS used principally for the transportation of persons with disabilities may obtain disability bus license plates. To qualify for bus license plates, the BODY TYPE on the title must read BUS.

Disability plates may be ordered through your local Deputy Registrar agency or through the BMV Mail Registration Program. Please allow 10-14 business days from the processing of your application for plates to be received. For additional information, please call the BMV at (614) 752-7518.

FINES AND PENALTIES

In accordance with R.C. 4511.69, no person shall stop, stand, or park a motor vehicle at special clearly marked parking locations provided in or on privately owned parking lots, parking garages, or parking areas designated for persons with disabilities without the vehicle being operated by or transporting such person and displaying a disability placard or special license plates. Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor. The fine is at least $250.00, but not more than $500.00, is not punishable with imprisonment, and is not a criminal offense.

In accordance with R.C. 4731.481 and 4734.161, no health care provider shall furnish a prescription to a person to enable the person to obtain a disability placard or special license plates if they do not meet the criteria in R.C. 4503.44. Nor shall any health care provider provide the person with a prescription misrepresenting the expected length of disability. These offenses are misdemeanors of the first degree and are punishable by imprisonment of not more than six months, a fine of not more than $1,000, or both, and sanctions by the State Medical Board, the Chiropractic Examining Board, or the Board of Nursing respectively.

In accordance with R.C. 4503.44, no person or organization shall misrepresent themselves as eligible for a disability placard or special license plates if they are not eligible according to the guidelines of this section. The penalty for this offense is confiscation of the placard or license plates and the revocation of privileges to obtain a disability placard or special license plates.