Washington Passenger License Plate Colors

1916 - 1921
- White on blue
- White on lavender
- White on black
- Black on yellow and black on yellow with black on white metal tabs
- White on green (3-20 to 3-21)*
- Black on grey (3-21 to 12-21)*

*Plates from 1916 through 1920 were issued on a March-to-March basis. The year on the plate indicated the year of expiration.

1922 - 1952
- White on brown
- Blue on white
- White on blue
- Blue on white
- White on blue
- Green on white
- Black on orange
- White on green
- Green on white
- White on green
- Green on white
- White on green
- Green on white
- White on blue
- Blue on white
- White on blue
- Green on white
- Yellow on green
- Green on white
- White on green
- Green on green
- White on green
- Green on white windshield sticker
- Green on white windshield sticker
- Green on aluminum windshield sticker
- Green on gray windshield sticker
- Green on white metal tabs
- Green on aluminum windshield sticker.

1953 – Present
- Metal-tabs
- Green reflective material white on green metal tabs
- Red on aluminum metal tabs
- Green on white metal tabs
- White on green
- White on green validating tabs
- Green on silver scotchlite validating tabs
- Aluminum on green validating tabs
- Green on aluminum validating tabs
- Silver on green scotchlite general issue
- Green on white plates, red, white and blue

*Note: If a license plate was not issued in a particular year, use the earlier preceding plate year. Example 1943 or 1944 should be issued a 1942 plate.*