

**[LTO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 96-001,
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**ISSUANCE OF DIFFERENT PLATE NUMBERS TO MOTOR VEHICLES
WHOSE CLASSIFICATION IS CHANGED**

A great number of "for hire" motor vehicle plates manufactured in 1981 to implement Batas Pambansa Blg. 43 and the staggered Registration Rule, has remained unissued up to the present. While these number plates are available, some registered "for hire" motor vehicles, particularly those whose classification was changed from "private" to "for hire" (hereinafter referred to as "converted motor vehicles") have not been issued number plates. This is due to the practice of issuing to converted motor vehicles, number plates bearing letters and numbers that are the same as their "private" plate numbers.

In order not to waste government resources and to effect optimum and effective use thereof, the following guidelines are hereby prescribed to govern issuance of number plates to motor vehicles whose classifications are changed, or which are reverted to their prior or original classification:

SECTION 1. Issuance of Number Plates Based on Classification. — The identification numbers and letters of any motor vehicle number plates shall be permanently assigned to such motor vehicles during its lifetime on the basis of its classification, as follows:

- a. Private
- b. For Hire
- c. Government
- d. Diplomatic

SECTION 2. Change of Classification. —

a. In case of change of classification, a new set of motor vehicle plates with numbers and letters different from its previous plate number shall be assigned permanently to the motor vehicles under the new classification.

EXAMPLE 1:

A) MAKE & TYPE NISSAN SENTRA
FILE NUMBER 1372-534444
PLATE NUMBER UAA-101
CLASSIFICATION PRIVATE

B) MAKE & TYPE NISSAN SENTRA