

Bike Rack Number Plates

The registered operator of a vehicle must ensure that the numbers and letters on the vehicle's number plate are clearly visible from a distance of 20 metres.

If you have a bicycle rack fitted to your vehicle, and it obscures the rear number plate you can either:

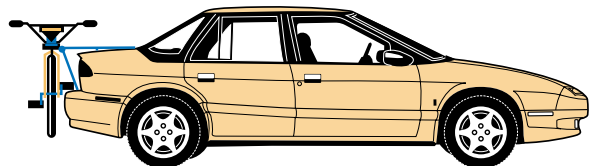
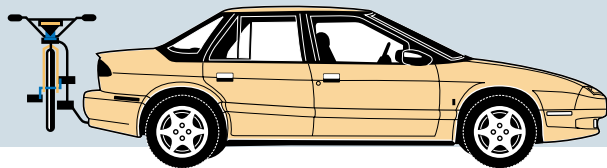
- obtain a bike rack number plate from VicRoads and attach this to your bicycle rack; or
- attach the rear number plate from your car to your bicycle rack when it is in use and then return it to your vehicle when you are not using the bicycle rack.

Please note that hand painted plates are not permitted to be used.

What is the Law?

Victoria Police may impose fines on motorists if:

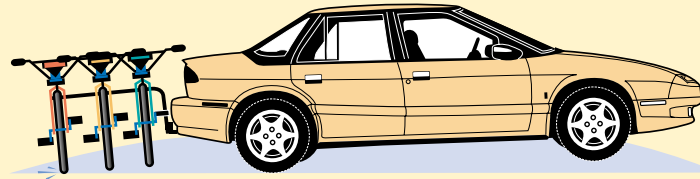
- the correct number plate is not attached on a bike rack and the vehicle number plate is obscured by the rack;
- the number plate is illegible;
- the rack is not removed when the vehicle is being driven without a bike being carried; and
- the bike rack number plate is not illuminated at night and clearly visible from 20 metres away. Illumination kits are available from most bicycle retail outlets.



A bicycle carrier is usually fitted to the towbar or attached to the boot of your car.

Safety Tips

- The sharp edges of the bike rack number plate can be covered by surrounding the bike rack number plate with a protective soft trim surround. These are available for \$3.00 each from VicRoads.
- Stoplights, tail lights and vehicle indicators must not be obscured by either the rack or the bicycle(s).
- Make sure that the rack and its attachment to the vehicle (usually the towbar) are strong enough to carry the bicycle(s). (Check with the towbar manufacturer).
- If the bike rack is fitted to the towbar, ensure the towbar is securely attached to the vehicle.



Do not overload the vehicle by carrying too many bicycles.

What is the Cost?

Bicycle rack number plates are available for \$22.00 per plate (includes postage and handling).

How do I Order a Bike Rack Number Plate?

There are three easy ways to order your bike rack number plate. Once ordered, your bike rack number plate will be mailed to you. Allow one week for delivery.

1. Order by phone

Place a credit card order by contacting VicRoads on 13 1171. Bankcard, MasterCard or VISA is accepted.

2. Order by mail

Mail this form to GPO Box 1644N, Melbourne 3001, enclosing your credit card details, money order or cheque, payable to VicRoads.

3. Order at a VicRoads office

Visit a VicRoads office where cash, cheque, credit card or EFTPOS are acceptable methods of payment for your bike rack number plate.

Yes! I want to order a bike rack number plate.

Name _____

Address _____

P/Code _____

Company name (if applicable) _____

Phone (B) _____ (H) _____

Registration number(s) _____

Credit card details _____

MasterCard VISA Bankcard

Signature _____ Expiry Date _____ / _____

Please supply me with (number of plates required) VicRoads bike rack number plate(s) at \$22.00 each.

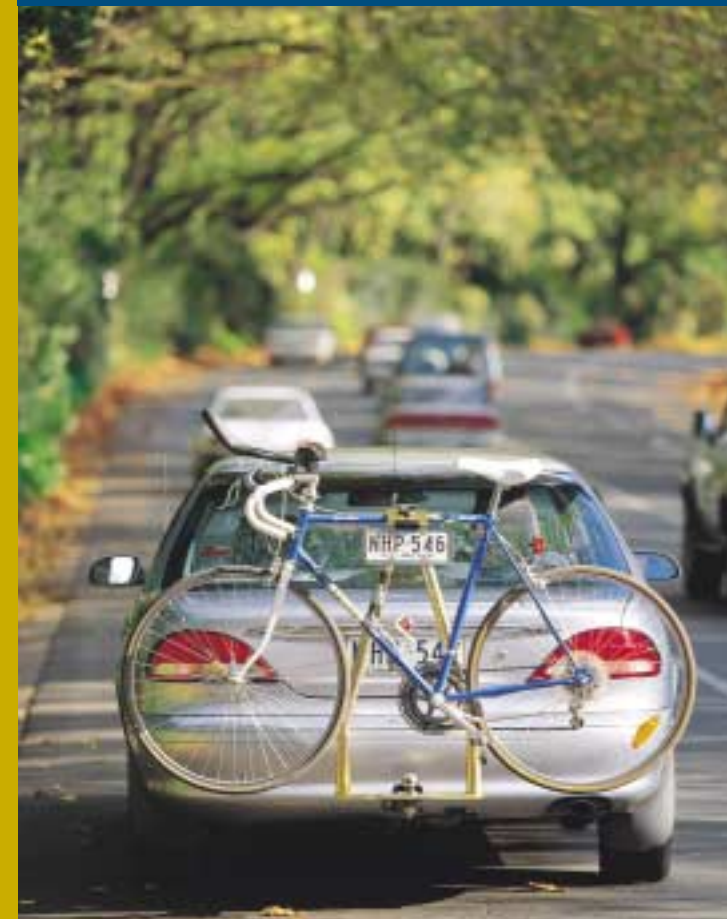
Please supply me with (number of trims required) protective soft trim surround(s) for my bike rack number plate(s) at \$3.00 each.

Total amount payable: \$ _____

Office Locations

Ararat Shop 2, 56 High Street Ararat 3377	Echuca 5 Mundarra Road Echuca 3564	Portland 114a Percy Street Portland 3305
Bairnsdale 535 Princes Hwy Bairnsdale 3875	Frankston 71 Hartnett Drive Seaford 3198	Sale 28 Princes Highway Sale 3850
Ballarat Learmonth Road Wendouree 3355	Geelong Fyans Street South Geelong 3220	Seymour 5 Crawford Street Seymour 3660
Benalla 50-52 Clarke Street Benalla 3672	Greensborough Diamond Village Shopping Centre Nepean Street Watsonia 3087	Shepparton 231-239 Corio Street Shepparton 3630
Bendigo 57 Lansell Street Bendigo 3550	Hamilton Riley Street Hamilton 3300	Sunbury C/o Shire Offices 36 Macedon Street Sunbury 3429
Broadmeadow Cnr Pearcedale Pde/ Johnstone Street Broadmeadows 3047	Horsham 14 O'Callaghans Pde Horsham 3400	Sunshine 499 Ballarat Road Sunshine 3020
Burwood East 12 Lakeside Drive Burwood East 3151	Kyneton 2 Beauchamp Street Kyneton 3444	Swan Hill 70 Nyan Road Swan Hill 3585
Camberwell 3 Prospect Hill Road Camberwell 3124	Leongatha Anderson Street (Sth Gippsland Hwy) Leongatha 3953	Wangaratta 6 Handley Street Wangaratta 3677
Carlton 459 Lygon Street Carlton 3053	Maryborough C/o Shire Offices Neill Street Maryborough 3465	Warragul Unit 5, 131 North Road Warragul 3820
Cobram C/o Shire Offices 44 Station Street Cobram 3644	Melton C/o Shire Offices 232 High Street Melton 3337	Warrnambool 29 Jamieson Street Warrnambool 3280
Colac 8 Rae Street Colac 3250	Mildura 109 Orange Ave Mildura 3500	Werribee 11 Riverside Avenue Werribee 3030
Dandenong 16 Princes Highway Doveton 3177	Morwell 87 Princes Highway Morwell 3840	Wodonga 82-86 Elgin Street Wodonga 3690
Dromana Shop 11 Dromana Central 143 Point Nepean Rd Dromana 3936	Oakleigh South 1 Eskay Road South Oakleigh 3157	

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Forward your payment and this form to:

VicRoads

GPO Box 1644N, Melbourne 3001

Your bike rack number plate(s) and trim(s) will be mailed to you. Allow one week for delivery.

More Information

For further information please telephone VicRoads on 13 1171, access our web site on www.vicroads.vic.gov.au or visit any VicRoads Registration and Licensing office.



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