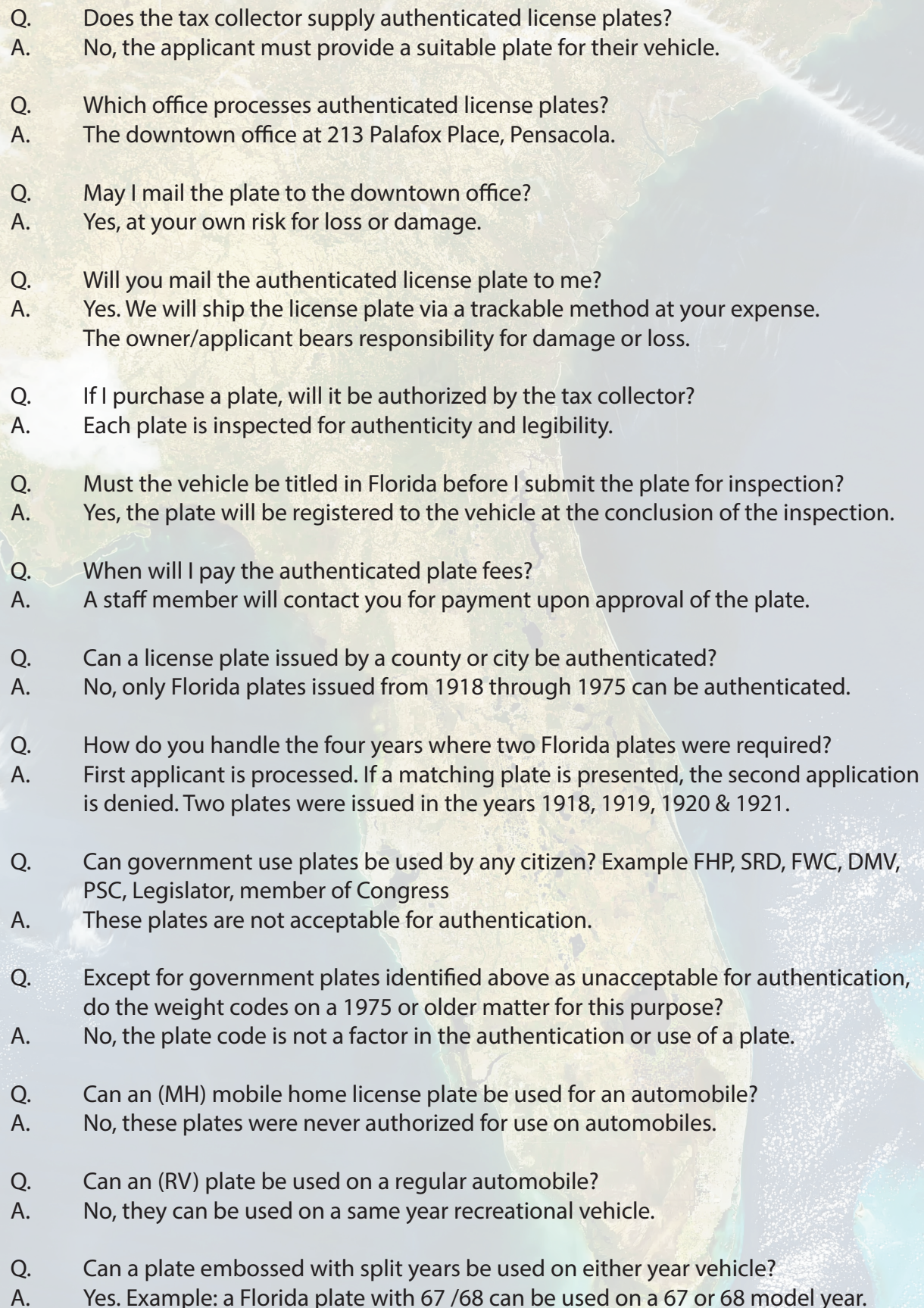
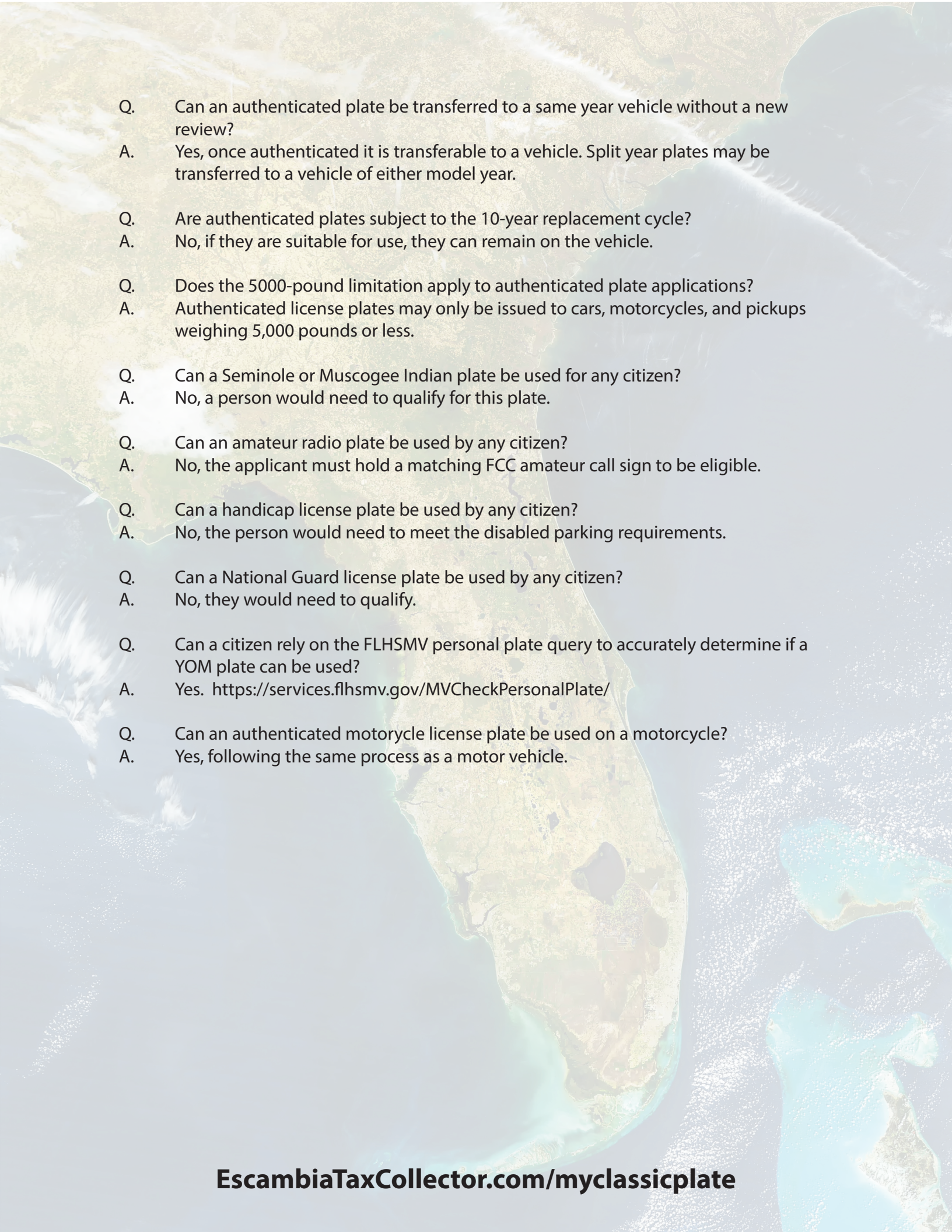


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- Q. Does the tax collector supply authenticated license plates?
A. No, the applicant must provide a suitable plate for their vehicle.
- Q. Which office processes authenticated license plates?
A. The downtown office at 213 Palafox Place, Pensacola.
- Q. May I mail the plate to the downtown office?
A. Yes, at your own risk for loss or damage.
- Q. Will you mail the authenticated license plate to me?
A. Yes. We will ship the license plate via a trackable method at your expense. The owner/applicant bears responsibility for damage or loss.
- Q. If I purchase a plate, will it be authorized by the tax collector?
A. Each plate is inspected for authenticity and legibility.
- Q. Must the vehicle be titled in Florida before I submit the plate for inspection?
A. Yes, the plate will be registered to the vehicle at the conclusion of the inspection.
- Q. When will I pay the authenticated plate fees?
A. A staff member will contact you for payment upon approval of the plate.
- Q. Can a license plate issued by a county or city be authenticated?
A. No, only Florida plates issued from 1918 through 1975 can be authenticated.
- Q. How do you handle the four years where two Florida plates were required?
A. First applicant is processed. If a matching plate is presented, the second application is denied. Two plates were issued in the years 1918, 1919, 1920 & 1921.
- Q. Can government use plates be used by any citizen? Example FHP, SRD, FWC, DMV, PSC, Legislator, member of Congress
A. These plates are not acceptable for authentication.
- Q. Except for government plates identified above as unacceptable for authentication, do the weight codes on a 1975 or older matter for this purpose?
A. No, the plate code is not a factor in the authentication or use of a plate.
- Q. Can an (MH) mobile home license plate be used for an automobile?
A. No, these plates were never authorized for use on automobiles.
- Q. Can an (RV) plate be used on a regular automobile?
A. No, they can be used on a same year recreational vehicle.
- Q. Can a plate embossed with split years be used on either year vehicle?
A. Yes. Example: a Florida plate with 67 /68 can be used on a 67 or 68 model year.

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- An aerial photograph of the state of Florida, showing its coastline, major waterways, and landmasses. The image is semi-transparent, allowing the text to be overlaid clearly.
- Q. Can an authenticated plate be transferred to a same year vehicle without a new review?
A. Yes, once authenticated it is transferable to a vehicle. Split year plates may be transferred to a vehicle of either model year.
- Q. Are authenticated plates subject to the 10-year replacement cycle?
A. No, if they are suitable for use, they can remain on the vehicle.
- Q. Does the 5000-pound limitation apply to authenticated plate applications?
A. Authenticated license plates may only be issued to cars, motorcycles, and pickups weighing 5,000 pounds or less.
- Q. Can a Seminole or Muscogee Indian plate be used for any citizen?
A. No, a person would need to qualify for this plate.
- Q. Can an amateur radio plate be used by any citizen?
A. No, the applicant must hold a matching FCC amateur call sign to be eligible.
- Q. Can a handicap license plate be used by any citizen?
A. No, the person would need to meet the disabled parking requirements.
- Q. Can a National Guard license plate be used by any citizen?
A. No, they would need to qualify.
- Q. Can a citizen rely on the FLHSMV personal plate query to accurately determine if a YOM plate can be used?
A. Yes. <https://services.flhsmv.gov/MVCheckPersonalPlate/>
- Q. Can an authenticated motorcycle license plate be used on a motorcycle?
A. Yes, following the same process as a motor vehicle.