



REAL ID DRIVER LICENSE/PERMIT/NON-DRIVER IDENTIFICATION CARD PROOFS OF IDENTITY, US CITIZENSHIP OR LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENCY OR TEMPORARY LAWFUL STATUS, AND STATE OF RESIDENCY

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security regulations establish minimum qualifications standards for the issuance of driver licenses or non-driver identification cards that federal agencies will accept for official purposes¹ in accordance with the REAL ID Act of 2005. These regulations require applicants to provide proof of identity; date of birth; Social Security Number or ineligibility for a Social Security Number; U.S. citizenship² or lawful permanent residency² or temporary lawful status³; and proof of NYS residence. You will be required to have a new photo taken when you apply for your first REAL ID document. DMV is required to take a new photo at every other renewal or when temporary lawful status is updated.

1 Official purpose means accessing federal facilities, boarding federally-regulated commercial aircraft, and entering nuclear power plants.

2 If you are a citizen or lawful permanent resident, proof of U.S. citizenship and lawful permanent residency is only required for REAL ID original issuance transactions.

3 REAL ID documents for applicants with temporary lawful status will expire no later than the expiration on the temporary lawful status proof documentation. REAL ID documents for those with temporary lawful status will require current DHS documentation for all subsequent transactions.

1. Proof of Social Security Number (SSN) OR Ineligibility for SSN:

- ◆ You must show your original Social Security Card. If you are not eligible to have a Social Security Number, provide a letter from the Social Security Administration that was issued within 30 days of your application to DMV and states that you are not eligible to have an SSN. You must also show the Department of Homeland Security documentation that was used by the Social Security Administration to determine that you are not eligible.
- ◆ If you have a valid NYS driver license or a non-driver photo ID card that was issued after 12/10/2002 and you are eligible for an SSN, you can show one of the following documents instead of your Social Security Card:
 - ◆ Your federal or NYS income tax form (W-2) with your full SSN, **OR**
 - ◆ Your federal or NYS income tax earnings statement (form 1098 or 1099) with your full SSN, **OR**
 - ◆ A U.S. computer-printed pay stub with your full SSN and your name and address.

2. Proof of Identity:

- ◆ You must show acceptable types of documents that total at least 6 points. If you must show your Social Security Card (2 points), you will need at least 4 additional points. Refer to the table below for acceptable types of documents and their point value.
- ◆ The combination of proofs of identity must prove your full legal name. Your full name - first, middle (if applicable) and last - will appear on your document.
- ◆ You must show one of the documents listed YES under “Date of Birth Proof?” in the table below to prove your date of birth.

3. Proof of United States Citizenship, Lawful Permanent Residency or Temporary Lawful Status:

You must show one of the documents listed YES under “U.S. Citizenship Proof?” or “Lawful Permanent Residence Proof?” or “Temporary Lawful Status?” in the table below.

4. Proof of NYS Residence: You must show two of the documents listed YES under “Residence Proof?” in the table below.

- ◆ Each document must show your residence address in New York. An address with a P.O. box is not acceptable as proof of residence.
- ◆ You may use proof of residence documents that are in your spouse’s name if:
 - ◆ you and your spouse have the same last name, **OR**
 - ◆ you show additional documents that prove your relationship (for example, a marriage certificate).

NOTE: If you have a valid New York State Enhanced Driver License document (NYS EDL), a NYS EDL document that is renewable, or a New York State REAL ID Driver License, you can use that document to meet the proof of identity, Social Security Number, citizenship and residency requirements. If you have temporary lawful status, you may be required to show new temporary lawful status proof.

The table below lists the documents that are acceptable to prove your name, date of birth, U.S. citizenship, residency, lawful permanent status, and temporary lawful status.

- ◆ You must provide original documents or documents that are certified by the agency that issued them.
- ◆ DMV will not accept more than one document of the same type of proof. For example, DMV will accept only one major credit card or one utility bill.
- ◆ DMV will not accept documents with any alterations or erasures. DMV will confiscate any document that appears to be fraudulent. If you submit a fraudulent document, you could be subject to criminal prosecution.
- ◆ First time applications for a REAL ID driver license or non-driver ID cannot be made by mail.

IMPORTANT: Making a false statement in an application or in any proof or statement in conjunction with it, or deceiving or substituting, or causing another person to deceive or substitute in connection with such application, is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor pursuant to Section 210.45 of the Penal Law for non-driver card applicants, and is a misdemeanor under Section 392 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law for driver license applicants, and may result in the revocation or suspension of your license.

ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

Expired documents are NOT acceptable, except where specifically noted in the table below. Blank boxes mean the document does not meet the requirement for that category.	Proof of Name Point Value	Date of Birth Proof?	SSN Proof?	US Citizenship Proof?	Lawful Permanent Residence Proof?	Temporary Lawful Status?	NYS Residence Proof?
NYS Driver License/Permit/Non-Driver ID Card. Must be current or not expired for more than 2 years.	6	YES					YES
NYS Enhanced Driver License/Learner Permit/Non-Driver ID Card. Must be current or not expired for more than 2 years.	6	YES					YES
NYS REAL ID Driver License/Permit/Non-Driver ID Card. Must be current or not expired for more than 2 years.	6	YES					YES
DMV form MV-45 Statement of Identity and/or Residence IF UNDER AGE 21	4						YES
DMV form MV-45A Statement of Identity and/or Residence - For Applicants Represented by Government or Government Approved Facilities	4						YES
DMV form MV-45B Statement of Identity - For applicants who can be considered a disenfranchised, homeless youth	4						
US State Department issued Passport or Passport Card	4	YES		YES			
US Military Photo ID Card (issued to active, reserve, and retired military personnel only)	3	YES					
Certificate of Citizenship (N-560 and N-561)	3	YES		YES			
Employment Authorization Card (I-688B or I-766) with photo, issued by INS/DHS (must be valid)	3	YES					
Permanent Resident Card I-551	3	YES			YES		
Reentry Permit (I-327)	3	YES					
Refugee Travel Document (I-571)	3	YES					
Foreign Passport with a valid I-551 stamp - *Type of Lawful Status determined by DHS verification	3	YES			*	*	
Foreign Passport with a valid I-551 statement on the Visa - *Type of Lawful Status determined by DHS verification	3	YES			*	*	
Foreign Passport with a valid Visa and an I-94 issued by INS/DHS or Stamp issued by CBP	3	YES				YES	
NYS Benefit/Medicaid Card with photo	3						
US Social Security Card	2		YES				
NYS Certificate of Title	2						YES
NYS Interim License/Permit, without photo	2						
NYS Professional License	2						YES
NYS Registration Document (Vehicle or Boat only)	2						
NYS/NYC Pistol Permit	2						YES
Out-of-State Real ID Driver License/Learner Permit/Non-Driver ID Card. Must be current or expired no longer than two years.	2	YES					
Out-of-State Enhanced Driver License/Learner Permit/Non-Driver ID Card. Must be current or expired no longer than two years.	2	YES					
Photo Driver License/Learner Permit/Non-Driver ID card issued by another US State, jurisdiction or possession, or Canadian Province or Territory. (This license must be current or expired no longer than 2 years.)	2						
US High School ID Card with Report Card	2						YES (if issued within 1 year)
US College ID Card with Photo and Official Transcript	2						YES (if issued within 1 year)

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US Marriage or Divorce Record OR Court Issued Name Change Decree	2						
US Military Dependent ID	2						
NYS Benefit/Medicaid Card WITHOUT Photo	2						
Federal or New York State Income Tax W-2 (with SSN)	1		YES*				YES (if issued within 1 year)
Bank Statement (only one from same financial institution)	1						YES (if issued within 120 days)
US Cancelled Check (with name and address pre-printed, only one from same financial institution)	1						YES (if issued within 120 days)
US Cash Card (ATM) (must have signature and pre-printed name, only one from same financial institution)	1						
Valid Major US Credit Card (only one from same financial institution)	1						
US Computer Printed Pay Stub (with name and address)	1						YES (if issued within 120 days)
US Employee ID Card	1						
US Health Insurance Card/Prescription Card to show current proof of health insurance coverage (with address pre-printed)	1						YES
US High School Diploma OR GED	1						
US Life Insurance Policy or Current Statement (in effect at least 2 years)	1						YES (if issued within 120 days with address pre-printed)
US Supermarket Check Cashing Card (must have signature and pre-printed name)	1						
US Union Card	1						
US Utility Bill with name and address	1						YES (if issued within 120 days)
Veterans Universal Access Photo ID Card	1						
NYS Abstract (CDL Only)	0						YES
NYS Renewal Invitation (MV-2, CDL Only)	0						YES (CLP/CDL renewal only)
Certificate of Residence. See MV-44NYR for more information.	0						YES
Annual Social Security Statement for the current year	0		YES*				YES
Assisted Living or Nursing Home Statement	0						YES
Credit Card Statement (original, not a photocopy) on letterhead issued within 120 days.	0						YES
Current proof of Homeowners/Renters Insurance (Policy, Proof of Claim)	0						YES
Federal or NYS Income Tax or Earning Statement (1099, 1098)	0		YES*				YES

***Only if you have a valid NYS document issued after 12/10/2002**

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Jury Duty Notice issued within one year	0						YES
Medical Examiner's Certificate with NYS address and signature issued within one year (for CDL medical exam requirement)	0						YES
Military Orders that are still in effect	0						YES
Postmarked mail dated within 90 days of application	0						YES
Proof of Current Mortgage	0						YES
Property Deed	0						YES
Property or School Tax Bills or Receipts for current year (must reflect current address on mailing portion and portion stating what property is being taxed)	0						YES
Residential Lease issued within one year	0						YES
Retirement Statement	0						YES
Selective Service Card	0						YES
SSI Award Statement	0						YES
Unemployment Benefit Statement issued within one year	0						YES
Voter Registration Notification Card issued within one year	0						YES
Welfare Benefit Statement	0						YES
Original or certified copy of US or US Territory Birth Certificate	0	YES		YES			
Original or certified copy of US Consular Report of Birth Abroad	0	YES		YES			
US DOS Consular Report of Birth Abroad (FS-240, DS-1350, F-545)	0	YES		YES			
Business Licenses	0						YES
Parent/Spouse ID	0						YES
SSN Ineligibility Letter	0		YES				