Are You REAL ID READY?

Federal enforcement of REAL ID begins on May 7, 2025.

Starting May 7, 2025, Minnesotans 18 years or older, will need one of the following to board a domestic flight or enter certain federal facilities:

- A REAL ID driver’s license or identification (ID) card, or
- Enhanced driver’s license or ID card, or
- Other REAL ID compliant document like a valid US passport, valid foreign government issued passport, unexpired permanent resident card, or unexpired employment authorization document.

Visit tsa.gov/real-id for complete list.

To obtain a REAL ID driver’s license or identification card you will need:

**Name Changes**

The name on the document you present must match the name on your application.

If the names don’t match, you’ll need to bring proof of each name change from your birth to present day.

Examples of acceptable proof-of-name change include certified copies of:

- Marriage certificate.
- Divorce decree or dissolution of marriage that shows name change.
- Adoption decree.
- Court-ordered name change.

**Types of Documents**

The documents you present must be original. DPS-DVS cannot accept:

- Photocopies
- Scanned images
- Faxed images
- Digital images on a cell phone or other electronic device
- Laminated documents

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Save time by pre-applying and pre-verifying your REAL ID documents online at drive.mn.gov.

- Upload documents using the mobile friendly application.
- DVS staff will verify that the documents you upload are sufficient to issue a REAL ID.
- Bring the original verified documents to a driver’s license office to complete your transaction.
- Receive your REAL ID in 7-10 business days after your office visit.

All documents are subject to verification.

### LIST A: PROOF OF IDENTITY AND DATE OF BIRTH – 1 DOCUMENT REQUIRED

| Valid, unexpired US passport or passport card |
| Certified US birth certificate |
| Consular report of birth abroad (Form FS-240, DS-1350, or FS-545) |
| Valid, unexpired permanent resident card (Form I-551) |
| Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570) |
| Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561) |

| Unexpired employment authorization document (Form I-766 or Form I-688B) |
| Valid, unexpired passport issued by a foreign country and a valid, unexpired U.S. visa accompanied by a Form I-94 as documentation of the applicant’s most recent lawful admittance. If the Form I-94 is endorsed “DS” then a Form F1, Form I-20, Form DS-2019, or Form I-55 is also needed. |

### LIST B: PROOF OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER – 1 DOCUMENT REQUIRED

| Social Security card – Laminated cards will not be accepted |
| Federal Form W2 with pre-printed Social Security number |
| Federal Form SSA-1099 or other Form 1099 |
| Computer-printed US employment pay stub with name, address, and Social Security Number |

Note: If a foreign government issued passport is used for evidence of identity and date of birth, then additional documentation demonstrating non work authorized status may be needed to verify non-eligibility for a Social Security number

### LIST C: PROOF OF MINNESOTA RESIDENCE - 2 DOCUMENTS REQUIRED – NAME AND ADDRESS MUST MATCH APPLICATION

- Valid, unexpired Minnesota driver’s license, instruction permit, or identification card.
- Home utility services bill issued no more than 12 months before the application.
  - Accepted utilities: landline telephone, mobile phone, internet, cable, electric, gas or delivered fuel, garbage collection, or water.
- Home Utility Services hook-up work order issued no more than 12 months before the application.
- United States bank or financial information with account numbers redacted including (issued no more than 12 months before application date):
  - Bank account statement OR credit card or debit card statement OR brokerage account statement OR money market account statement OR health savings account statement OR retirement account statement
- Certified transcript from a U.S. high school issued no more than 180 days before the application.
- Certified transcript from a Minnesota college or university, issued no more than 180 days before the application.
- A student summary report for a U.S. high school signed by principal or designated representative issued no more than 180 days from the application.
- Employment pay stub issued no more than 12 months before the application that lists the employer’s name and address
- Minnesota unemployment insurance benefit statement issued no more than 12 months before application.
- Unexpired Minnesota professional license.
- Cellular phone bill issued no more than 12 months before the application.
- Minnesota vehicle certificate of title.
- Statement from a housing with services building registered under chapter 144D, nursing home licensed under chapter 144A, or a boarding care facility licensed under section 144.50 to 144.56 issued no more than 12 months before the application.
- Current policy or card for health, automobile, homeowner’s or renters insurance.
- Federal or state income tax return for the most recent tax filing year.
- Minnesota property tax statement for the current or prior calendar year or a proposed Minnesota property tax notice for the current year that shows the applicant’s principal residential address both on the mailing portion and in the description of the property.
- Filed property deed or title for current residence.
- Supplemental Security Income award statement issued no more than 12 months before the application.
- Mortgage documents for the principal residence.
- Residential lease agreement for the applicant’s principal residence issued no more than 12 months before the application.
- Affidavit of residence from group home, communal living, cooperative, or religious order issued no more than 90 days before the application.
- An assisted living or nursing home statement issued no more than 90 days before the application.
- Unexpired Selective Service card.
- Military orders that are still in effect at the time of application (must have address listed or accompanied by State of Legal Residence Certificate [DD Form 2058]).
- Valid license issued pursuant to the game and fish laws.