


Driver License and REAL ID

Driver Licenses and REAL ID's may be obtained and renewed at your local Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) location or by going to: www.maine.gov/online/bmv/dlr/

Click here  [standard license requirements](#) for more information about obtaining or renewing your regular driver's license

REAL ID License or State ID:

The Department of Homeland Security has extended the Real ID enforcement deadline. Enforcement will now begin on May 3, 2023.

Anyone wishing to get a Real ID-compliant license or ID can now obtain one at their local BMV office.

Printable Resources (*click on image*)



All Real ID applicants must:

- ✓ Meet [standard license requirements](#); *AND*
- ✓ Have your photo taken at BMV; *AND*
- ✓ Provide the following documentation (*for a complete list download the [REAL ID Checklist](#)*), *copies given to BMV must remain on file with at BMV:*
 - One document that establishes identity, date of birth, and proof of U.S. citizenship, lawful permanent residence, or other lawful status in the U.S.
 - Provide Social Security Number (card not required) or evidence of Social Security Number ineligibility.
 - Two documents to establish proof of residence in the State of Maine, such as a utility bill, paycheck stub or mortgage statement (P.O. Box is not acceptable).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING BIRTH CERTIFICATES:

A certified birth certificate is an official government-issued record of a person's birth, printed on security paper and includes an official raised, embossed, impressed or multicolored seal.

IMPORTANT NAME CHANGE INFORMATION:

If your name has been legally changed and now differs from your identity document(s) (i.e., birth certificate or passport), proof of the name change must be provided to obtain a Real ID. Acceptable documents supporting a legal name change include a marriage license, divorce decree, or court order. In all cases, the documents must show a clear trail of name changes from the name on the identity document to the current name.

If you already have a valid license or ID you do not have to renew it prior to its expiration date, unless you want to get a Real ID.

Upon renewal, a person will have the option of getting a Real ID credential or opting out. Those who opt out will be issued a non-REAL ID license.

Beginning May 3, 2023, those with non-REAL ID licenses will need to produce a passport or other acceptable identity document for federal purposes that require identification, such as boarding commercial aircraft and accessing secure federal facilities.

This information was summarized from Maine's Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) website.

For more information, go to: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/bmv/licenses/realid.html>