Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Office of Motor Vehicles

NON-REAL ID

Additional information may be obtained by visiting www.expresslane.org or contacting the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles at (225) 925-6146.

If you currently have a Louisiana driver’s license or identification card, then you will only be required to present one document verifying your home address.

Your driver’s license or identification card can be utilized as your proof of residency document if you are changing to a different address.

You will not be required to present a primary document such as a birth certificate.

A Non-Real ID driver’s license or identification card will display “NOT FOR FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION.”

If you are applying for a first time driver’s license or identification card, refer to DMV Section 1, Policy 6.00, Identification Requirements for required documentation for issuance.

Both a Real ID and Non-Real ID driver’s license or identification card will allow you to enter federal facilities that do not require you to present identification such as a post office, vote or register to vote, apply for or receive Federal or State benefits, to drive valid driver’s licenses only, not identification cards, access health or life preserving services including hospitals and health clinics, law enforcement, or constitutionally protected activities (including a defendant’s access to court proceedings), and participate in law enforcement proceedings or investigations.

Note: Applicants applying for a Real ID or Non-Real ID driver’s license may be required to submit additional information based on their age and the class of license.

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Verification Requirements:
1. Identity
2. Lawful Status
3. Date of Birth
4. Social Security Information
5. Proof of Residence (two documents)

Refer to DMV Policy, Requirements for issuance of a Real ID Driver’s License or Identification Card, for more information.

A Real ID driver’s license or identification card will display a gold circle with a star cutout.

A Real ID driver’s license or identification card does not contain any additional electronic technology.

Starting May 3, 2023, every air traveler will need a Real ID-compliant license or another acceptable form of identification, for domestic air travel.

Visitors seeking access to military bases and almost all Federal facilities using their state-issued driver’s licenses or identification cards must present proper identification issued by Real ID compliant states or a state that has received an extension. When planning a visit to a Federal facility or military base, visitors should contact the facility to determine what identification will be accepted.

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