The Driver License Office charges a **minimum fee of $6.25** to access your driver license record – this includes all questions, research, and all transactions.

☐ NEVER LICENSED IN ANY STATE (Appointment Required*)

Because you have never been licensed in any state or you are unable to prove you were licensed in another state, you will be required to take the necessary exams to apply for a Florida Learner License. The exams would consist of Vision/Hearing, General Knowledge written exam* and TLSAE.

If you are **15-17 years of age**, you would need to hold a Learner License for 1 year conviction-free or until your 18th birthday before you would be eligible to apply for a Class E License.

If **18 years of age or older**, you have the option of completing the Learner License requirements and **upgrading** to a Class E License without being issued a Learner License. If you opt to do so, it must be completed in two steps. You would first be required to take and pass the General Knowledge written exam*, after which you would be able to schedule an appointment to take the Driving Skills Road Test*.

Visit taxcollector.com to schedule an appointment. Select the “Written Exam” service for your appointment.

☐ OUT-OF-STATE DRIVER LICENSE IS LOST (Appointment Required*)

If you lost your out-of-state driver license or ID card you are required to provide our office with a driving record or transcript from the previous state to prove that you held a license. If your out-of-state record is verified and eligible, a Florida license will be issued. If we are unable to confirm that you were previously licensed, you will be required to comply with the requirements above under *Never Licensed in Any State*.

If your previous driving record indicates that your license is suspended in another state, a Florida license will be denied until you reinstate your driving privilege in the other state(s). In addition, any restrictions and/or endorsements on your previous driving record will be carried over to your Florida license when applicable. *Exception: Our office does not process Commercial (CDL) Driving Skills Road Tests.*

You will be required to provide documents that establish your identity pursuant to the Real ID Act (e.g. US birth certificate, proof of name change(s), US passport, USCIS (INS) documents, Social Security Card and 2 proofs of residential address). For a complete list of acceptable identity documents, visit fhsmv.gov/whattobring.

You will also be required to complete the driver license application and take a Vision and Hearing Test.

*Visit taxcollector.com to schedule an appointment. Select the “First Time ID Card Issuance” service for your appointment.

The cost for an original Florida license is **$54.25 - $81.25** plus **$7.00** per endorsement.

Additional information and documentation may be requested to verify the validity of your application.

Please be aware that pursuant to s. 322.212, Florida Statutes, obtaining a Florida driver license by fraud is a **third degree felony**.

Not a Manatee County resident? Our offices are open to the public by appointment only for Manatee County residents/businesses. All out-of-county residents must visit their home county for processing.