



Checklist to Obtain a FEDERALLY COMPLIANT Driver License or Identification Card in the State of Delaware

Federally Compliant driver licenses or identification cards will be required for the follow: Entering all federal facilities beginning December 1, 2017; All Domestic aircraft travel beginning May 7, 2025.

**ALL DOCUMENTS PRESENTED TO THE DMV MUST BE ORIGINAL OR CERTIFIED COPIES.
PHOTOCOPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

The following documents are REQUIRED to obtain a Federally Compliant Driver License and Identification Card

- Original or Certified Copy of Birth Certificate issued by the Bureau of Vital Statistics or State Board of Health (wallet cards, birth registration or hospital announcements/records are **NOT** accepted)
OR
Valid Passport / Immigration Documents (Must have correct legal name)
- One proof of Social Security Number (SSN) which can be a Social Security card, W-2 tax form, SSA 1099 form, SSA Non-1099 form, Pay stub containing full SSN or any valid document issued by the Social Security Administration that contains the full SSN. (Medicare/Medicaid cards **NOT** acceptable)
- Two proofs of Delaware residency, from two different sources, containing a residential street address that includes applicant's name and is postmarked or dated within 60 days (i.e.; utility bill, cable bill, voter registration card or junk mail) Personal mail and non-U.S. postal mail are **NOT** accepted. P.O. boxes and business addresses are also not acceptable as a residential address.
- *Legal name change documentation if applicable (i.e.; valid marriage license(s), divorce decree(s) stating legal name, court order(s), spouse's death certificate(s)). Documents are **required** if your current name is different than the name that appears on your birth certificate. If you have had several name changes, in the case of multiple marriages and divorces, you will need to provide **all** name change documents. Clergy certificates are **NOT** accepted as proof of marriage.

If you recently changed your name, you MUST update name change with the SSA 48 hours prior to applying at the Division of Motor Vehicles

Out-of-State Transfer

In addition to the documentation listed above, the following documents are also required:

- Out-of-state driver license/ID **OR** an official out-of-state driving record

Graduated Driver License (GDL) /ID Under 18

In addition to the documentation listed above, the following documents are also required:

- Parent, legal guardian, or court-appointed custodian with valid identification. (Legal custody order document required)
- Delaware Driver Education certificate (White or Blue slip) – Only applicable for GDL applicants

The original or certified copy of the birth certificate must list both parents' names and must be provided in addition to immigration documentation, if applicable.

This handout is provided as a courtesy and may not apply to all situations.

Please refer to our website at www.secureid.dmv.de.gov, call toll free at (877) 477-7117 or see a DMV associate for additional information. Questions for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, please call (202) 447-3871.