

ACCEPTABLE IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

All original applicants who apply for a Texas driver license (including a learner license) must present proof of identity satisfactory to DPS. All documents submitted must be verifiable by the source that issued the document.

There are three categories of documents that must be presented to establish proof of identity. **Every original applicant must present:**

- One piece of **PRIMARY** identification; or
- One piece of **SECONDARY** identification plus two pieces of **SUPPORTING** identification; or
- Two pieces of **SECONDARY** identification.

<p>These documents are accepted for identification purposes only without the need for additional supporting documentation, and must include an identifiable photo, the applicant's full name, and the applicant's date of birth. All documents must be verifiable.</p>	<p>If an applicant is unable to present a document from the primary identification chart, the applicant must present either two secondary documents or one secondary and two supporting documents for identification purposes. DPS personnel may require additional documentation to verify conflicting information, incomplete names and/or DOB, or document name changes. The documents in these categories must be originals or copies certified by the issuing agency or entity. All documents must be verifiable. Any document not listed in the Supporting column that meets the Department's needs in establishing identity must be approved by DLD headquarters.</p>	
PRIMARY	SECONDARY	SUPPORTING ★
<p>Texas Driver License (DL) or Identification (ID) Certificate with photo, must be within two-years of expiration date</p> <p>Unexpired U.S. Passport book or Passport card</p> <p>United States Citizenship Certificate or Certificate of Naturalization with identifiable photo (N-560, N-561, N-645, N-550, N-55G, N-570 or N-578)</p> <p>Unexpired U.S. military ID card for active duty, reserve or retired personnel with identifiable photo</p> <p>Unexpired Dept. of Homeland Security (DHS) or USCIS Document. The document must contain verifiable data and identifiable photo. Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. Citizen Identification Card (I-179 or I-197) • Permanent Resident Card (I-551) • Temporary I-551 (immigrant visa endorsed with admit stamp) and Foreign Passport • Temporary Resident Identification Card (I-688) • Employment Authorization Card (I-766) • U.S. Travel Document (I-327or I-571) • Advance Parole Document with photo (I-512 or I-512L) • I-94 Stamped Sec.208 Asylee with photo • I-94 Stamped Sec.207 Refugee with photo • Valid Refugee Travel Letter with photo and stamped by U.S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP) • American Indian Card (I-872) • Northern Mariana Card (I-873) <p>Foreign Passport / Visa (valid or expired), and form I-94 with an undefined expiration date (e.g. duration of status). <u>If the applicant was not required by federal law to obtain a visa to enter the United States, the visa requirement under this subsection may be waived.</u>★</p> <p>Foreign Passport / Visa (valid or expired), and Form I-94 with a defined expiration date. <u>If the applicant was not required by federal law to obtain a visa to enter the United States, the visa requirement under this subsection may be waived.</u>★</p> <p>★ Examples include citizens of the Republic of Palau, the Republic of Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and certain Canadian non-immigrants.</p>	<p>Original or certified copy of a birth certificate or birth record issued by the appropriate State Bureau of Vital Statistics or equivalent agency from a U.S. state or local government, U.S. territory, the District of Columbia or Canadian province.</p> <p>Original or certified copy of U.S. Department of State Certification of Birth Abroad (issued to U.S. citizens born abroad) (Form FS-240, DS-1350 or FS-545).</p> <p>Original or certified copy of court order with name and date of birth (DOB) indicating an official change of name and/or gender from a U.S. state, U.S. territory or the District of Columbia or Canadian province.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary receipt for a Texas DL or ID (actual receipt) • Expired Texas DL or ID (expired more than two years) (actual card) • DL or ID issued by another U.S. state, U.S. territory, the District of Columbia, or Canadian province (unexpired or within two years of the expiration date) (actual card)★ • ID Card issued by government agency★ • Pilot license (actual card)★ • License to Carry (actual card)★ • Voter Registration Card (actual card)★ • Professional License issued by Texas state agency • Forms W-2 or 1099 • School records★ (e.g. report cards, photo ID cards, etc.) • Military records (e.g. Form DD-214) • Unexpired U.S. military dependant ID (actual card) • Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC) • Selective Service Card (actual card) • Original or certified copy of marriage certificate or divorce decree (U.S. jurisdiction or foreign jurisdiction- if the document is not in English, a certified translation must accompany it) • Insurance policy (e.g. auto, home, life, etc.) (valid continuously for the past two years) • Current Texas motor vehicle registration or title (TRC 521.144) • Current Texas boat registration or title • Hospital issued birth record★ • Medicare or Medicaid Card (actual card) • Immunization records★ • Unexpired Foreign Passport • A valid consular document issued by a state or national government • Federal parole or release certificate • TDCJ parole or mandatory release certificate • Texas Inmate ID Card or similar form of ID issued by TDCJ • Federal Inmate Identification Card • Tribal membership card from federally recognized tribe • Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) • Social Security Card (actual card) <p>★ This document must be issued by an institution, entity, or government from a U.S. state, U.S. territory, the District of Columbia, or Canadian province.</p>
<p>This chart is for identification of applicants only, is based on Texas Administrative Code Title 37, Part 1, Chapter 15, Subchapter B, Rule §15.24, and can be referenced at www.sos.state.tx.us/tac/. Additional application requirements can be referenced at http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/. DL-17 (Rev. 8/16)</p>		