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Identification Documents Checklist

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See required documents outlined below to obtain a REAL ID driver's license / ID card or a Standard driver's license / ID card.

- · Documents must comply with the following criteria:
 - Must be originals.
 - \circ Photocopies will not be accepted.
 - \circ Laminated documents will not be accepted.
 - A single document cannot be used to meet multiple proof requirements when applying for a REAL ID driver's license / ID card.
- If you are missing a required document, your credential will NOT be processed.

PROOF OF LAWFUL PRESENCE / PROOF OF DATE OF BIRTH

All documents must be valid and unexpired - one document required

- U.S. Passport or Passport Card
- Original or certified version of U.S. birth certificate that meets the following requirements:
 - Issued by the city, county, or state of birth
 - Lists applicant's full name, date of birth, and place of birth
 - Lists parent(s)' full names
 - Has the signature of the city, county, or state registrar
 - Has the date filed with registrar's office (must be within one year of birth)
 - Has the seal of issuing authority

Puerto Rican Birth Certificates must be issued after July 1, 2010.

NOTE: If you submit a birth abstract, it must meet all of the requirements above.

- Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA) issued by the Department of State Form FS-240, DS-1350, FS-545
- Permanent Resident Card issued by Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Form I-551

- □ Temporary I-551 stamp in Foreign Passport
- Employment Authorization Document (EAD) issued by Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Form I-766, or Form I-668B



NOTE: All immigration documents must show a valid continuous 12-month stay in the U.S.

- □ Foreign Passport with a valid U.S. visa affixed
 - A non-U.S. Passport must contain a current visa and be presented with an I-94 Record of Arrival and Departure, unless you have a Permanent Resident Card or other change in status
 - The I-94 can be either a paper version from U.S. Customs and Border Protection or a printout of an electronic version downloaded from their website at cbp.gov/i94
 - For customers who have a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20) or Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor Status (DS-2019) documentation verifying the applicant's most recent admittance into the U. S. must be shown
- □ Certificate of Citizenship issued by Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Form N-560 or Form N-561
- □ Certificate of Naturalization Form N-550 or N-570
- □ Re-Entry Permit Form I-327 (for Standard license/ID only)
- Refugee Travel Document Form I-571 (for Standard license/ ID only)

Your current name must match the name on your lawful presence document(s) when applying for a REAL ID driver's license / ID card.

- If your current name does NOT match the name that appears on your lawful presence document(s), you must prove your legal name change in order to qualify for a REAL ID driver's license/ID card.
- If you have multiple name changes, you must provide one of the following documents listed below for EACH name change:
- □ Marriage Certificate (must be issued from the municipality)
- Divorce Decree
- Court Document
- For a Standard driver's license/ID card, a proof of name change document is not required.
- Go to Mass.Gov/ID for more information.

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PROOF OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER			For REAL ID
 For REAL ID license/ID, one document below must be presented. For a Standard driver's license/ID, your SSN must validate with SSA or you must provide a SSN Denial Notice with Passport, Visa, and I-94. Hand-written documents will NOT be accepted. The document must display your current name. 			
□ SSN card (cannot be laminated)		Non-SSA-1099 Form that displays 9-digit	SSN
W-2 Form that displays 9-digit SSN		Pay stub that displays 9-digit SSN	
□ SSA-1099 Form that displays 9-digit SSN		SSN Denial Notice issued by SSA with Passport, Visa, and I-94 (dated within 60 days)	

PROOF OF MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENCY

Document must display current residential address with applicant's name — no P.O. boxes or 'in care of' can be accepted.

- For a REAL ID driver's license or ID You need to provide two documents from checklist.
- For a Standard driver's license or ID You need to provide one document from checklist.

Massachusetts RMV-issued documents: (Only one item can be accepted)

- □ Current driver's license
- Current Massachusetts ID card (Liquor ID not accepted)
- □ Current learner's permit
- RMV-issued mail dated within 60 days (including driver's license/registration reminders, vehicle registration)

State/federal/city/town/county agency-issued documents:

- □ 1st class, government-issued mail dated within 60 days
- □ Current MA-issued professional license
- □ Medicaid statement dated within 60 days
- Current firearms card
- Jury duty summons dated within 60 days
- □ Court correspondence dated within 60 days
- Property tax for current year
- □ Excise tax for current year

Bills: Must be dated within 60 days

- Utility bill (electric, telephone, water, sewer, cable, satellite, heating)
- □ Credit card statement
- Medical/hospital statement
- □ Insurance bill (auto, medical, home, rental)
- □ Cell phone bill

Lease/Mortgage:

- □ Current lease/mortgage or similar rental contract
- □ Mortgage statement dated with 60 days

Financial-related documents:

- W-2 wage and tax statement from immediate prior year
- □ Current pension statement (401k, 457, SEP, etc.)
- □ Current retirement statement
- □ Pay stub dated within 60 days
- Current SSA statement
- □ Current installment loan contract (car loan)
- Bank statement (savings or checking account) dated within 60 days

School-issued documents:

- □ Official school transcript for current year
- Official letter from school (proof of enrollment) dated within 60 days
- Tuition bill for current year
- Certified school record for current year

Insurance-related documents: Current year only

- □ Auto insurance policy
- □ Renter's insurance policy
- □ Homeowner's insurance policy

For applicants under the age of 18

□ Alternative Residency Affidavit

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