



## GET ON BOARD WITH REAL ID

ID requirements for air travelers change May 7, 2025. A REAL ID will get you on the plane.

### **DO I NEED A REAL ID? It's your choice!**

**Do you fly within the United States or enter secure federal facilities or military bases?** Beginning May 7, 2025, the federal government will require you to present a REAL ID compliant driver's license or ID, or another federally approved form of ID such as a U.S. Passport or some military IDs, in order to board a domestic flight. Secure federal facilities and military bases have the authority to set their own identification requirements. Please verify requirements prior to your visit. **Effective immediately**, some military bases may no longer accept non-REAL ID compliant credentials which display "Federal Limits Apply."

**Don't have a passport or other acceptable ID? Or don't want to carry your passport to fly domestically?** You can upgrade your Virginia driver's license or ID to a REAL ID for a one-time \$10 fee, in addition to the standard fees for a credential renewal or replacement.

## How do I apply for a REAL ID compliant license or ID card?

All applicants for a REAL ID compliant license or ID card, including current Virginia credential holders, must apply in-person and provide DMV with physical documentation of:

- Identity (e.g. unexpired U.S. passport or U.S. birth certificate)
- Legal Presence (e.g. unexpired U.S. passport or U.S. birth certificate)
- Social Security Number\* (must include full number; e.g. Social Security card or W-2 form)
- Residency (two proofs are required and each must include current residential street address; e.g. current driver's license, recent utility bills, mortgage statement or rental lease agreement)
- Proof of any name changes (e.g. marriage certificate filed with a government agency or divorce decree)

\*You will not be required to present proof of your Social Security number if you know the number and DMV is able to electronically verify it.

**Note: If your name appears differently on your proof documents, you will be asked to present additional documentation to connect the names, such as a marriage certificate, divorce decree or court order. Marriage licenses, civil union documents, and marriage certificates signed only by the wedding officiant (such as a member of the clergy) will not be accepted.**

All documents must be originals and will be subject to verification; however, printouts of acceptable online residency documents can be used as proof of residency. Temporary documents and photocopies of documents will not be accepted.

For a complete list of accepted documents, visit [dmvNOW.com/REALID](http://dmvNOW.com/REALID).



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