

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES

DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR ALL

The Driver's License for All initiative expanded the accepted types of documentation required for Minnesotans to receive a standard driver's license or identification (ID) card. Passed in 2023, Minnesota joined 18 other states, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, to allow a standard driver's license to be issued without proof of immigration status.

To get a standard Minnesota ID card or driver's license, Minnesotans must:

- Show two documents — one must include their full name and date of birth.
- Provide their home address in Minnesota.
- Pass the class D written knowledge test and road skills test (for a driver's license).

Making Minnesota roads safer

Driver's License for All aims to educate and test all drivers on the rules of driving — with the intent of making roads safer.

- Drivers who know the rules of the road can drive more safely.
- Having licensed, trained and insured drivers in our communities make us all safer.
- People who are undocumented, many of whom drive to work and school, could not previously get a license. Now they can get a standard driver's license to prove they're safe drivers, which may help them get car insurance.

Protecting Minnesotans' information

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety's Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) division is committed to protecting information and ensuring Minnesotans feel secure accessing services they need without fear or hesitation.

- Information provided on license and ID card applications is protected under Minnesota law.
- DVS stores documents customers use to apply for their driver's license or ID card to ensure accuracy of information and prevent fraud. These are only accessible by DVS staff and are not shared.

Immigration status

- DVS does not ask if, or track whether, a person is undocumented when they apply for a standard license or ID card.



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- When a Minnesotan applies for or gets a standard license or ID card, DVS cannot share information about the application, driver's license or ID card with agencies that primarily enforce immigration law unless ordered to by a court.
- Agencies that receive DVS data about standard licenses or ID cards must certify they will not share the data with state or federal agencies that primarily enforce immigration law. Any requestor who violates this may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Using a standard driver's license or ID card

- A standard driver's license or ID card is generally accepted as proof of identification. More than 55 percent of Minnesotans have a standard driver's license.
- Starting May 7, 2025, a standard driver's license or ID card cannot be used to get through security checkpoints at U.S. airports, enter U.S. military bases or enter federal buildings including some courthouses.
- The format and layout of a standard driver's license or ID card is the same for someone without legal presence as someone with legal presence. Law enforcement cannot identify anyone's immigration status from a standard driver's license or ID card.

License images

The standard driver's license or ID card layout depends on a Minnesotan's age. If someone is 21 years old or older, the card will have a horizontal layout (left). If under 21, the card will have a vertical layout (right).



Learn more

Scan the QR code to learn more about Driver's License for All including documents required to get a standard driver's license or ID card. You can also visit the DVS website at dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/license-and-id/dl-all/dl-all-english.



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