

REAL ID

Are you ready?

Beginning **May 7, 2025**, residents of every U.S. state and territory will be required to present a REAL ID-compliant driver license or ID card, or another form of ID accepted by the Transportation Security Administration, to board federally regulated domestic flights.

Individuals must also present a REAL ID-compliant driver license or ID card to access federal facilities, including military bases and federal courthouses, and to enter nuclear power plants.



Missouri's REAL ID-compliant driver licenses and nondriver ID cards will have a **star** in the upper right-hand corner. A license or ID card that is not compliant with REAL ID will have **"Not for REAL ID Purposes"** in the upper right-hand corner.

For more information, including where to obtain your REAL ID, visit dor.mo.gov

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WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?



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Ever served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces?

If yes, visit dor.mo.gov/military/ to see the services and benefits we offer to all eligible military individuals. A list of all state agency resources and benefits can be found at veteranbenefits.mo.gov/state-benefits/.

Learn more at dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/real-id/

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NEW ID REQUIREMENTS

in Missouri



The real deal about
REAL ID

WHAT IS REAL ID?

“REAL ID” comes from the REAL ID Act of 2005, a federal law that focused on fraud protection, anti-terrorism, and driver license and nondriver license identification card (ID card) security. **The REAL ID Act prohibits federal agencies from accepting driver licenses and ID cards from states that do not meet these standards.** Access to federal facilities open to the general public for purposes of applying for or receiving federal benefits will continue to be allowed.



Beginning **May 7, 2025**, every air traveler **18 years of age and older** will be required to present a REAL ID-compliant driver license or ID card, or another form of ID accepted by the Transportation Security Administration, to board federally regulated domestic flights.

DO I NEED ONE?

YES

- Flying domestically
- Accessing federal facilities, military bases and federal courthouses
- Entering nuclear power plants



NO

- Driving
- Voting or Registering to Vote
- State Purposes
- Age Verification
- You hold another form of identification that meets federal requirements, such as a valid U.S. passport or passport card



DOES MISSOURI LAW REQUIRE ME TO HOLD A REAL ID-COMPLIANT DRIVER LICENSE OR NONDRIVER ID CARD?

No. Under Missouri law, applying for a REAL ID-compliant driver license or nondriver ID card is optional. However, individuals who choose not to get one will still be required to present another form of acceptable identification to fly domestically, access federal facilities and enter nuclear power plants beginning May 3, 2023.



HOW DO I APPLY FOR A REAL ID?

You can apply for a REAL ID-compliant driver license or nondriver ID card at one of Missouri’s more than 170 license office locations. You will be required to submit valid, original documents from each of the categories below at the time you apply:

- **Identity** (i.e. Birth Certificate, Passport)
- **Lawful Status**
- **Social Security Number**
- **Proof of Missouri Residency** (2 documents from different sources required i.e. Utility Bill, Voter Registration)
- **Name Change Document**

You can find a full, interactive list of REAL ID acceptable documents at dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/real-id/interactive-guide.html.

NOW IS THE TIME TO PREPARE FOR THE **MAY 7, 2025**, REAL ID ENFORCEMENT DEADLINE



Already decided to get a REAL ID? Apply today. Still unsure? The Missouri Department of Revenue has resources on its website that can help you make an informed decision.

WHAT IS THE **COST** OF OBTAINING A REAL ID-COMPLIANT DRIVER LICENSE OR NONDRIVER ID CARD?

The transaction and processing fees for a REAL ID-compliant driver license or nondriver ID card, new or renewal, are the same as for a license or ID card that is noncompliant with REAL ID. Detailed fee information can be found at dor.mo.gov/driver-license/resources/license.html#fees.





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Use the chart below to determine which documents are acceptable for your specific purpose

	Non REAL ID Driver License	Non REAL ID Non Driver License	Non REAL ID Permit (Drive with a licensed driver)	REAL ID Driver License	REAL ID Non Driver License	REAL ID Permit (Drive with a licensed driver)	Passport Card	Passport Book
License to Drive	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	X	X
Voting or Registering to Vote	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boarding a domestic U.S. flight, prior to May 7, 2025	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boarding a domestic U.S. flight, on or after May 7, 2025	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Entering a federal building prior to May 7, 2025	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Entering a military base prior to May 7, 2025	*	*	*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Entering a federal building or military on or after May 7, 2025	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Traveling by land or sea to Canada, Mexico, Bermuda or the the Caribbean	X	X	X	X	X	X	✓	✓
International Travel by air, sea or land	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	✓

*** MILITARY POLICY CHANGE**

The U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) recently finalized an update to its DoD-wide installation security policy and is in the process of no longer accepting noncompliant marked cards across all of its facilities and installations. This means the military is in the process of no longer accepting driver licenses or nondriver identification cards marked as being noncompliant with REAL ID for the purposes of accessing a military base. This policy change impacts DoD installations in all states, not just Missouri.

Prior to May 7, 2025, military bases will accept licenses and ID cards marked as being REAL ID-compliant or Missouri licenses and ID cards issued prior to March 25, 2019, which have no REAL ID marking, compliant or noncompliant. In Missouri, a license or ID card that is noncompliant with REAL ID will have “Not for REAL ID Purposes” in the upper right-hand corner. Anyone attempting to access a military base with a Missouri-issued license or ID card marked as “Not for REAL ID Purposes” may be denied entry.

To ensure you have the proper identification, you should contact the military base you plan to visit in advance to obtain information regarding identification requirements.