

Documents required to apply for REAL ID or Standard ID card

Acceptable Forms of Identification To get or renew any driver's license, ID card, or learner's permit, you need documents and/or proof of your Social Security number, U.S. citizenship or lawful presence, and Massachusetts residency as required by federal and state law. Below are the types of documents the RMV will accept to prove identity.

Documents to prove Social Security Number (SSN) Requirement For a REAL ID license or ID card, one document must be from this group.

For a Standard Massachusetts credential, you must have a SSN that validates with Social Security Administration or a SSN Denial Notice with passport, visa, and I-94.

Documents to prove Lawful Presence/Date of Birth Requirement For a REAL ID card, Standard Massachusetts card, or liquor ID, one document must be from this group. SSN Card (cannot be laminated)

Notes:

Document Requirements:

SSN DOCUMENTS:

- If your U.S. Passport was issued within the last six months, please bring your certified copy of your U.S. birth certificate.
- SSN Card (cannot be laminated)
- W-2 Form
- SSA-1099 Form
- Non-SSA-1099 Form
- A pay stub with the applicant's name and full SSN on it

LAWFUL presence/DOB Documents

Documents to prove Massachusetts Residency Requirement For a REAL ID credential, two documents must be from this group. For a Standard Massachusetts card, one document must be from this group. For a document to prove residence, it must state the residential address.

A P.O. Box is not an acceptable proof of residency. Documents mailed "in care of" are not valid for proof of residency. Massachusetts RMV- issued documents (can use one from the options below):

- U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport card
- Certified copy of U.S. birth certificate
- Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-560 or Form N-561)
- Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-561 or N-570)
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad (Form FS-240, Form DS-1350, Form FS-545)
- Permanent Resident Card (Form I551)
- Employment Authorization Document (Form I-766 or Form I-688B)
- Foreign passport with U.S. Visa Affixed and I-94 stamp

MA RESIDENCY DOCUMENTS (FOR REAL ID)

- MA RMV-issued documents (can only use this category as 1 proof of document)
- State/Federal/Municipal/City/Town/County Agency-Issued document - 1st class mail, MA-issued professional license with photo, Medicaid statement, firearms card, jury duty summons, court correspondence, Property Tax, Excise Tax (current or dated within 60 days)
- Bills -electric, telephone, water, sewer, cable, satellite, heating, credit card statement, medical/hospital statement, cellphone bill (current or dated within 60 days)
- Lease/Mortgage - Current lease/mortgage or similar rental contract (current or dated within 60 days)
- Financial-related documents - bank statement that contains images of cancelled personal checks, W-2 wage and tax statement from immediate prior year, pension statement (401k, 457, SEP, etc) retirement statement, pay stub, SSA statement, installment loan contract (current or dated within 60 days)
- Insurance Related documents (Auto, renter's or homeowner's insurance policy (for current year)
- For applicants under the age of 18 only:
 - Official letter from school (proof of enrollment) dated within 60 days
 - Tuition bill for current year
 - Certified Transcript or record(current year)