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HOW TO APPLY FOR OR RENEW AN IDENTIFICATION CARD

DMV issues two (2) types of identification (ID) cards. A regular ID card valid for six (6) birthdates from the date of application, and a senior citizen ID card valid for eight (8) birthdates from the date of application. To qualify for a senior citizen ID card, you must be age 62 or older. To apply for an ID card you will need to do the following:

- Complete a Driver License or Identification Card Application.
- Visit a DMV office (appointments are recommended).
- Provide your social security number. It will be verified with the Social Security Administration while you are in the office.
- Verify your Identity. If your current name no longer matches the name on your Identity document, see WWW.DMV.CA.GOV for more information.
- Present your acceptable residency document if you have never had a California driver license or California identification card.
- Pay the application fee. (No fee for a senior citizen ID card.)
- Give a fingerprint scan.
- Have your photograph taken.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

DMV issues identification (ID) cards to persons of any age. The ID card looks like a driver license (DL) but is used for identification purposes only. A regular ID card is valid for six (6) birthdates from the date of application, and a senior citizen ID card is valid for eight (8) birthdates from the date of application. To qualify for a senior citizen ID card, you must be age 62 or older. If applying for an original or first time conversion REAL ID identification card, you must provide proof of your Identity, SSN, and residency from the list of acceptable REAL ID document options.

REDUCED-FEE IDENTIFICATION CARD

You may pay a reduced application fee for an original or renewal identification (ID) card if you meet income requirements from a public assistance program. If you are eligible, the governmental or non-profit program will give you a completed Verification for Reduced Fee Identification Card form (DL 937) to take to DMV to apply for your reduced fee ID card. See your local public assistance program agency for information about eligibility requirements and obtaining a DL 937 form.

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