



Applying for an Alabama Driver License or Non-Driver Identification Card



Driver or Learner License (age 16 and older)

- ◆ Two forms of identification, at least one of which contains a photograph (one form must be from the "primary" list, in addition to the Social Security card) *or* three forms of nonphoto identification (one form must be from the "primary" list, in addition to the Social Security card).
- ◆ Social Security number verification.*
- ◆ Acceptable school enrollment form or proof of graduation (if younger than 19 and applying for the first time).**
- ◆ \$5 test fee (no checks).
- ◆ Applicants 18 or older who wish to complete all testing for a license must have a licensed driver, proof of car insurance and a vehicle that will pass inspection.
- ◆ \$23 to purchase license (no checks).

Learner License (age 15)

- ◆ U.S. birth certificate (certified and issued by the Bureau of Vital Statistics).
- ◆ Social Security number verification.*
- ◆ Acceptable proof of school enrollment or graduation.**
- ◆ \$5 testing fee (no checks).
- ◆ \$23 to purchase license (no checks).

CDL or CDL Learner License Applicants

- ◆ Current driver license.
- ◆ Social Security verification.*
- ◆ If transferring from out of state, applicant must present one document from the "primary" list (in addition to the Social Security number document).
- ◆ Current Department of Transportation long medical form (unless medically exempt).
- ◆ \$25 testing fee (no checks).
- ◆ Transportation Security Administration background check if transferring or obtaining a hazardous materials endorsement.
- ◆ If not a U.S. citizen, applicant must legally be in permanent status in the United States and domiciled in Alabama.
- ◆ Skills test if upgrading a license or first-time applicant (test by appointment only; \$20 skills test fee).
- ◆ Proof of insurance.
- ◆ \$53 to purchase class "A" license.
- ◆ \$43 to purchase class "B" license.
- ◆ \$23 to purchase class "C" license.
- ◆ \$23 to purchase commercial learner license.
- ◆ \$23 to purchase "school bus only" license.

Motor-Driven Cycle License (ages 14 and 15)

- ◆ U.S. birth certificate (certified and issued by the Bureau of Vital Statistics), *or* Alabama non-driver identification card *or* Alabama vessel license.
- ◆ Social Security number verification.*
- ◆ Third form of identification from "secondary" list (if other identification is non-photo).
- ◆ Fifteen-year-old applicants must have acceptable proof of school enrollment or graduation.**
- ◆ \$5 testing fee (no checks).
- ◆ \$23 to purchase motor-driven cycle license (no checks).

Out-of-State License Transfers

- ◆ Out-of-state driver license.
- ◆ Social Security verification.*
- ◆ One item from "primary" list, in addition to the Social Security card.
- ◆ Proof of school enrollment or graduation (if younger than 19).**
- ◆ \$5 transfer fee (no checks).
- ◆ \$23 to purchase license (no checks).

Vessel License (age 12 and older)

- ◆ U.S. birth certificate (certified and issued by the Bureau of Vital Statistics).
- ◆ Social Security number verification.*
- ◆ One other item from "secondary" list.
- ◆ \$5 for test or transfer fee (no checks).
- ◆ \$23 to purchase license.

Non-Driver Identification Card

- ◆ One document from the "primary list" which verifies name and date of birth.
- ◆ Social Security number verification.*
- ◆ Third form of identification from the "primary" or "secondary" lists (required only if primary document is non-photo).
- ◆ \$23 to purchase non-driver identification card.

Non-U.S. Citizens

- ◆ A valid foreign passport with an acceptable visa *or* resident alien card.
- ◆ Social Security number verification* *or* letter from Social Security stating non-eligibility.
- ◆ Document from the "secondary" list showing at least 160 allowable days left to remain in U.S.
- ◆ \$5 test or transfer fee (no checks).
- ◆ Acceptable school enrollment or graduation proof (if younger than 19).**

*Social Security Verification

- ◆ Social Security card (original).
- ◆ Certified letter on letterhead from the Social Security Administration stating applicant's name and number.
- ◆ U.S. military identification card.
- ◆ U.S. military form DD 214.
- ◆ Medicare/Medicaid identification card (if Social Security number is followed by the letter "A").
- ◆ W2 tax form.

**School Enrollment Documents

- ◆ Form DL1/93.
- ◆ Certificate of graduation.
- ◆ GED certificate.
- ◆ Certified letter from school officials stating student is enrolled.
- ◆ Report card (most recent).
- ◆ Transcript (current).

Acceptable Forms of Identification (Primary and Secondary)

Primary Documents	Additional Secondary Documents for Non-U.S. Citizens
◆ Certified U.S. birth certificate (hospital record/certificate not acceptable)	◆ Employment authorization document with valid Social Security card
◆ U.S. passport	◆ Valid visa authorizing presence in the U.S. for a period of 160 days or more
◆ Alabama identification card	◆ Valid employment authorization document issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security
◆ Alabama driver license	◆ Valid I-94 arrival/departure record issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security
◆ Certificate of naturalization	◆ Original I-797 notice of action issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, showing approval of change of status or extension of stay
◆ Certificate of citizenship	◆ Original I-797 notice of action issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, evidencing timely filing of an extension petition
◆ U.S. certificate of birth abroad	
◆ Resident alien card	
◆ Social Security card	
◆ Valid foreign passport	
Secondary Documents	Requirements for Removing Licensing Restrictions
◆ Driver license issued in the United States	◆ Restriction A (corrective lenses): Must have acceptable DIER-2 or a letter completed on letterhead by an optometrist or ophthalmologist stating an acceptable reading
◆ Current international driver license/permit	◆ Restrictions D, H and I (outside mirrors): Must have acceptable form DIER-2 or a letter completed on letterhead by an optometrist or ophthalmologist stating an acceptable reading
◆ Marriage license	◆ Restriction Y (learner license):
◆ U.S. armed forces driver license	⇒ Must hold learner license for at least six months if younger than 18
◆ U.S. military DD 214	⇒ Must be accompanied by a licensed driver
◆ Professional license	⇒ Must have proof of vehicle insurance
◆ Selective Service card	⇒ Must have vehicle that will pass inspection for licensing skills test
◆ Veterans Administration card	⇒ Must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian if 16
◆ Current medical insurance identification card	
◆ School identification (with photo)	
◆ School enrollment form	
◆ W2 tax form	
◆ Documents from court record	
◆ Divorce decree	
◆ Bankruptcy decree	

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