

Required Documents

(Any document reflecting alteration will not be accepted. All laminated documents must be laminated by the issuing agency.)

Requirements are based on North Carolina General Statutes 20-7 and 20-11.

If you are applying for a driver license, a learner's permit or an ID card **for the first time** in North Carolina, you will need to provide proof of your full name and date of birth, your NC residence address, provide your social security number (SSN) or documentation indicating your legal presence in the U.S. You will need to provide proof of vehicle liability insurance when applying for a driver license. The insurance policy must reflect your name. No electronic copy. Customers can now upload documents stored on their phones during their visit. However, identity documents, such as name and date-of-birth verification documents, cannot be uploaded.

Applicants under Age 18 Applying for a Driver License or Learner's Permit:

If you are under 18, you must provide proof that you have completed a driver education course that includes 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction.

Table (1) - Proof of Age and Identity: You must provide proof of your age and identity (Full Legal Name) from the list of documents below. Two (2) forms of identification are required. At least one of the forms of identification shall indicate the applicant's home address, see Table (3). For acceptable documents for proof of a name change, see the items below. If you are unable to provide Item 9 or Item 12, you may complete an affidavit at DMV. Note: *The Division of Motor Vehicles may copy the documents presented or hold the documents for a brief period of time to verify authenticity.*

#	DOCUMENT	DETAILS
1.	Driver License or State-Issued Identification Card from NC or another State, Puerto Rico, a U.S. Territory, or a Canadian Province.	A driver license, learner's permit or ID card that is expired less than 2 years. The DL/ID or learner permit submitted must reflect a photo. *A valid unexpired REAL ID driver license and identification is acceptable.
2.	Certified birth certificate issued by a government agency in the U.S., Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory, or Canada or U.S. Report of Consular Birth Abroad	Certified true copy, no photocopies unless certified by issuing agency.
3.	Original Social Security Card	When submitted as a form of identification, the original social security card is required.
4.	Tax forms that reflect your full name and full SSN	W-2 or 1099
5.	Motor Vehicle Driver's Record	• Certified NC Motor Vehicle Record • Non-Certified NC Motor Vehicle Record • Certified Out-of-State Motor Vehicle Record
6.	NC school transcript/registration signed by a school official, or diploma or GED from an NC school, community college or NC university	Driver Education Certificates and report cards are not accepted as proof of identification.
7.	Valid unexpired U.S. military ID, including DD-2, DD-214, or U.S. Military Dependents Card, U.S. Veteran Universal Access Card	Other than a DD 214, documents submitted as a form of identification must be valid and unexpired.
8.	Valid, unexpired Passport from any nation	When submitted as a form of identification, the passport must be valid and unexpired.
9.	Certified document from a Register of Deeds or government agency in the U.S, Puerto Rico, U.S. territories or Canada	Marriage certificate, divorce decree, court document of name change
10.	Limited Driving Privilege issued by a NC court	Cannot be expired more than 1 year
11.	Valid, unexpired documents issued by DHS/USCIS	An expired immigration document may be valid if accompanied by a letter from USCIS extending the expiration date (e.g. I-797)
12.	Court documents from U.S. jurisdiction, Puerto Rico, U.S. territories or Canada	• Divorce Decree • Court order for change of name or gender • Adoption Papers
13.	Documents issued from N.C Department of Adult Correction (DAC)	• DAC Prison photo ID with customer date of birth and full legal name. • DAC State Identification Information Requisition Form (SIIR).

Note: In accordance with U.S. law, all customers must be served equally, without discrimination on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, language, sexual orientation, or any other protected characteristic. Identity documents for first time Eligible Customers (an Eligible Customer who has never been in the system):

Eligible Customers applying for a special identification card for the first time in North Carolina will need to provide two documents proving identity from the list below:

- DAC Prison photo ID with customer date of birth and full legal name.
- DAC State Identification Information Requisition (SIIR) Form with the personal information completed.

Table (2) - Social Security Number Requirements: To obtain a driver license, learner's permit, or ID card, you must provide a Social Security Number (SSN). If you are not eligible for a SSN, you must provide document(s) indicating your legal presence in the U.S. DMV will verify your SSN with the Social Security Administration (SSA). If DMV is unable to verify your SSN with the SSA, you may be required to present documentation of your SSN. Documents that you may present as proof of SSN include:

1. Social Security Card	5. Payroll record
2. 1099 Tax Form	6. Social Security Document reflecting the SSN
3. W-2 Form	7. Military Record reflecting the SSN
4. DD-214	8. Medicaid or Medicare Card reflecting the SSN

Table (3) - Proof of Residency in North Carolina: All first-time customers must show proof of their NC residence address. This is in addition to showing proof of identity. One of the two forms of your identity documents from Table (1) may reflect your NC residence address. You may complete an affidavit at DMV if you are unable to provide a document from the table below. Documents that you may present as proof of residency that show your current NC address, include:

1. Any document issued by this State or county, city, or the federal government	6. Housing lease or contract, mortgage statement, property or income tax statement
2. NC Vehicle Registration Card or title	7. Preprinted financial statement
3. NC Voter Precinct Card	8. School records
4. Military Orders/Documents	9. NC Vehicle insurance policy
5. Utility bill or cable bill	10. Letter from homeless shelter

NOTE: If you are homeless, you must provide proof from the shelter where you reside. If you are legally blind, you must provide proof from the American or North Carolina Council of the Blind. You will be provided with a receipt for your ID card upon request. Your ID card will be sent to a verifiable mailing address.

Table (4) - ID Cards: To obtain an ID card, you will need to provide 2 forms of identification from the list of acceptable documents in Table (1). At least one of the forms of identification shall indicate applicant's home address, see Table (3). For acceptable documents for proof of a name change, see items in Table (1). If you are unable to provide Item 9 or Item 12, you may complete an affidavit at DMV.

1. Provide proof of age and identity (see Table 1)	4. Provide proof of NC residency (see Table 3)
2. Provide a valid SSN	5. If no SSN, proof of legal presence in the U.S.
3. If you are formerly non-citizen, you must provide proof of your citizenship or naturalization	

Table (5) - Proof of Legal Presence in the U.S.: To obtain a driver license, learner permit or an identification card, you will need to show proof of legal presence in the U.S. Based on your legal presence status; you may be required to present multiple documents. You will also need to provide 2 forms of identification from the list of acceptable documents in Table (1). Valid, unexpired documents issued by DHS/USCIS are acceptable; 1 form of identification must have a home address.

1. Permanent Resident Card (I-551)*	8. Waiver Traveler/Waiver Business (WT/WB) Admission Stamp
2. Machine-Readable Immigrant Visa (MRIV) with Temp I-551 Language*	9. U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card
3. Temporary I-551 Stamp on Passport or I-94*	10. Other Documents (Non-Student) w/Alien Number
4. I-766 Employment Authorization Card	11. I-220 B Order of Supervision w/I-766 card
5. I-20 (F1,F2, M1, M2) Certification with I-94 Arrival/Departure Document or Unexpired Foreign Passport with CBP Admission Stamp	12. I-512L Authorization for Parole of an Alien into the U.S. w/supporting immigration document (I-551, I-766 or I-94)*
6. DS2019 (J1, J2) Certification with I-94 Arrival/Departure Document or Unexpired Foreign Passport with CBP Admission Stamp	13. Unexpired Foreign Passport w/CBP Admission Stamp
7. I-94 Arrival/Departure Record - Electronic I-94	

Table (6) - Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA): To obtain a driver license, learner permit or an identification card, you will need to show proof of legal presence in the U.S. Based on your legal presence status; you may be required to present multiple documents. You will also need to provide 2 forms of identification from the list of acceptable documents in Table (1).

1. Employment Authorization Document reflecting Category C33	2. I-797 Notice of Action (Case type I-821) Approval Notice with valid "to and from" dates
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Table (7) - Proof of Insurance for Driver License: If you are obtaining a driver license, you will need to provide proof of liability insurance coverage from a North Carolina-licensed insurance carrier. Cannot view from a mobile device. Documents that you may present as proof of vehicle insurance include (Applicant's name must be on document):

1. Form DL-123 from your insurance agent	3. An insurance binder
2. Vehicle insurance policy reflecting your name and the issue and expiration dates	4. An insurance card with your name, the policy number and issue and expiration dates

Table (8) - REAL ID: The official purpose of Real ID is to access certain federal facilities, boarding federally regulated commercial aircraft, and entering nuclear power plants. A REAL ID is an optional, federally compliant identification card. It is not required to drive, vote, or receive federal benefits. To obtain REAL ID on your NC credential, you must prove Full Legal Name; Date of Birth; Social Security Number; Two Proofs of Address of Principal Residence; and Lawful Status. For acceptable documents for proof of a name change, see Table (1). If you are unable to provide Item 9 or Item 12, you CANNOT complete an affidavit for REAL ID.

NOTE: Photocopies are not allowed for REAL ID.

1. Full name and Date of Birth: Birth Certificate, US Passport, *US Government Documents, Valid, unexpired REAL ID driver license or identification from another state with your full name.	2. Social Security Number (SSN): See Table (2). May verbally provide SSN if known; DMV retain the number as part of the application process and verify with the Social Security Administration.
3. Two (2) proofs of applicant residence: See Table (3). NC driver license, learner permit, and identification may be presented for one (1) acceptable form of residency. An address affidavit is not allowed.	4. *Lawful Status: See Table (5).

***Declaratory Ruling Effective March 27, 2023:** The NCDL or NCID will be for the full term of 5 or 8 years for customers who hold permanent or indefinite status. Customers applying for original issuances must provide required documents to satisfactorily prove their current legal presence; however, customers renewing a NCDL or NCID are not required to show documentation of their alien number or a previously issued credential.