

# WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?



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.



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

If yes, visit [dor.mo.gov/military/](https://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/](https://veteranbenefits.mo.gov/state-benefits/).

Learn more at  
[dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/real-id/](https://dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/real-id/)

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF  
**REVENUE**

# 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](https://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](https://dor.mo.gov/driver-license/resources/license.html#fees).

