



New Drivers and New Residents to South Dakota

New Drivers and New Residents will need to provide an Identity document, Social Security document and proof of South Dakota address. Below is a list to guide you to your new license. If you have questions regarding acceptable documentation, please email us at dpsdl@state.sd.us or call us at 605-773-6883.

NO PHOTOCOPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

1. Prove your Identity – Select one

U.S. Citizens

- U.S. Certified birth Certificate
Must be issued by a State or County
- Valid, unexpired U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport card
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad from the U.S. Department of State
- Certificate of Citizenship or Naturalization

Non-Citizens

- Unexpired Permanent Resident Card (I-551)
- Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (I-766)
- Record of Arrival and Departure (I-94) and a Valid Unexpired Foreign Passport

2. Prove Name Changes – If applicable

- Court Order – Provide Certified Court Order showing name change (s)*
- Certified Marriage Certificate*

**If you have had more than one name change you will need to show all name changes from birth to present. We must be able to, follow the name progression.*

3. Prove your Social Security Number – Select One

- Social Security Card
- W-2 – includes name and full Social Security number
- Form 1099 – includes name and full Social Security number
- Paycheck stub that includes name and full Social Security number

4. Prove Your South Dakota Address – Must provide TWO documents

- Must include your name
- Must have your physical address
- Must be dated within the last year

5. Full Time Travelers – Will also need to provide the following:

- Receipt of overnight stay in South Dakota in the past year.
- One piece of mail confirming South Dakota personal mailbox address.

- Completed Residency Affidavit

Address Exceptions:

Minors- Parent or guardian mail is acceptable proof for a minor

****Note – No handwritten mail**

documents will be accepted



South Dakota Residents with REAL ID Compliant Cards and Out of State Transfers with REAL ID Compliant Cards

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Out of State transfers with REAL ID Compliant Licenses:

Prove your Identity – Must provide Real ID Compliant Driver License or Identification Card (Expired or Unexpired) and one of the following:

- Unexpired U.S. Passport
- U.S. Birth Certificate
- Certificate of Naturalization or Certificate of Citizenship
- Non-U.S. Citizens must provide the following. Must provide one:
 - Unexpired Permanent Resident card (I-551)
 - Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (I-766)
 - Record of Arrival and Departure (I-94) and Valid Unexpired Foreign Passport

Prove your South Dakota address – Must provide two:

- Must include your name
- Must include your physical address
- Must be dated in the last year

Full Time Travelers – If using a personal mailbox and a mail forwarding service, in addition to the items above you will need to provide the following:

- Receipt of overnight stay in South Dakota in the past year
- One mail confirming South Dakota personal mailbox address
- Completed Residency Affidavit

South Dakota REAL ID Compliant Licenses:

**If you have lost your REAL ID Compliant License, please provide proof of identity under “Out of state License or ID”

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- Non-U.S. Citizens must provide the following. Must provide one:
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