VALID PROOF DOCUMENTS
For Kentucky Driver's Licenses, permits, and identification cards

**Proof of Identity**
Choose (1) for REAL ID or standard card

**Proof of Social Security Number**
Choose (1) for REAL ID or standard card

**Additional Documents**

**Out of state**
- If you are moving to Kentucky from another state, territory or country, a clearance letter or operator’s license from the previous state, territory or country of residence is required.

**Younger than 18 years old**
- REAL ID or Standard ID under 18
- Must present certified Birth Certificate AND Social Security card
- Other documents required if applicable:
  - Parent Guardian Form
  - Custody Verification (required if not parent listed on certified Birth Certificate)
  - CHFS Verification Letter for Foster Children (required if foster child)
  - School Compliance Verification Form, if graduated from High School (High School Transcript or GED Transcript)
  - Certificate from an approved driver training program if applying for driver’s license.

**Early enlistment for military service**
Must have held a valid permit for 180+ days, passed a skills test, and completed a driver training program to obtain a permanent license. Must provide a valid U.S. Uniformed Services ID or proof of military enlistment.

**Veteran/military**
If you wish to note veteran status on a credential, you must submit a DD-214, DD-256, DD-257, or NGB-22.

**Other**
- P.O. Box
  - If you do not receive mail at your physical address, you will need proof of post office box for mailing address. MAY NOT BE USED AS A PHYSICAL ADDRESS PROOF.

**Dropping a license or class**
If you will no longer drive OR If you are a CDL driver dropping a class, endorsement or restriction, you must present a voluntarily surrendered affidavit.

**Motorcycle License**
If you are a motorcycle permit holder applying for a motorcycle license, you must have a motorcycle safety course completion certificate/affidavit

**Felon Release**
VALID PROOF ONLY FOR STANDARD LICENSE
Must present a certified U.S. Birth Certificate and a Felon Release Letter issued by the Federal Bureau of Prisons located in Kentucky, KY Department of Corrections, Division of Probation and Parole, or the U.S. Probation Office.

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**Proof of Residency**
Choose (2) for REAL ID card OR choose (1) for standard card

A Kentucky post office box address is not sufficient proof of physical address. The Cabinet may require additional proof of physical address if necessary.

**Most current documents**
- Lease or rental agreement
- Mortgage statement
- Insurance policy
- Record from an educational institution in Kentucky which establishes enrollment
- Property tax bill
- Kentucky vehicle registration
- Kentucky titles
- Operator's license, instruction permit, or personal identification card
- IRS forms: W-2 OR 1099 (most recent tax year)

**Documents dated less than 1 year**
- Utility bill - Landline, electric, gas, cable, etc.
- Telephone bill
- Bank statement
- State or federal tax return
- Pay slip or salary statement
- Kentucky voter registration card
- U.S. Postal Service postmarked mail

**Additional exceptions**
Other information the Cabinet may require by administrative regulation promulgated under KRS Chapter 13A.

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**Name or Gender change**

If your current legal name, date of birth, or gender is different from what is displayed on your identity or lawful status document, you must show legal proof of the changes.

**Name Change**
Bring all that apply
- Certified Marriage Certificate
- Certified Divorce Decree
- Must show that a name change was granted
- Certified Legal Name Change Order
- Death certificate of spouse
- Valid Military ID

**Gender Change**
One (1) required
- Court Order changing gender marker
- Letter from surgeon verifying completion of gender reassignment
- Amended Birth Certificate
- Gender change documentation (details forthcoming)

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Scan the QR code with your phone’s camera to take the Document Quiz for a list of documents you need to bring to get a REAL ID.