



Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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REAL ID

As a reminder, PennDOT began issuing REAL ID credentials March 1, 2019. PennDOT advised, in 2019, that customers may use their current or expired identification credential AND their REAL ID receipt in lieu of the acceptable identification credentials listed on the [Acceptable Proof of Identification Documents for Completing Motor Vehicle Forms Fact Sheet](#), while the customer waits for their REAL ID product to be mailed to them. In addition, new residents to Pennsylvania may use their out of state license AND their REAL ID receipt in place of a valid Pennsylvania credential.

It is important to note that the receipt, along with the customers original driver license, is considered a temporary driver license credential issued by PennDOT. This receipt is only issued if the customer does not visit one of the 12 REAL ID centers across Pennsylvania that issue the REAL ID credential over the counter. For those customers who were issued a REAL ID receipt will receive their REAL ID credential in the mail within 15 business days of the issuance of the REAL ID receipt.

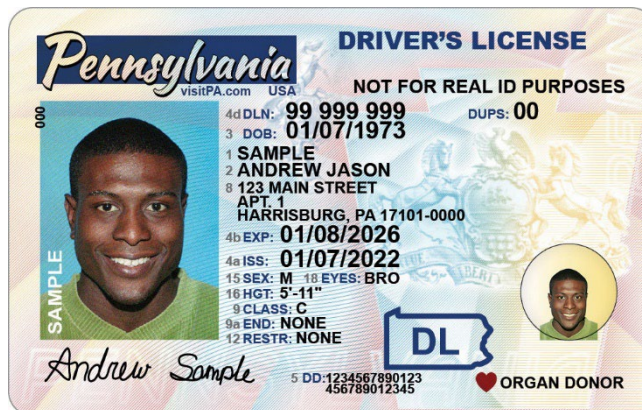
If an authorized agent/notary is concerned the documents presented do not meet their requirements under the notary law for purposes of notarizing an applicant's signature, they will need to advise the customer to visit one of the 12 REAL ID centers that issue the REAL ID credentials over the counter. Once the customer obtains the REAL ID credential, the customer would need to return to complete their application for a certificate of title and/or registration.

For additional information, please visit www.PennDOT.gov/REALID.

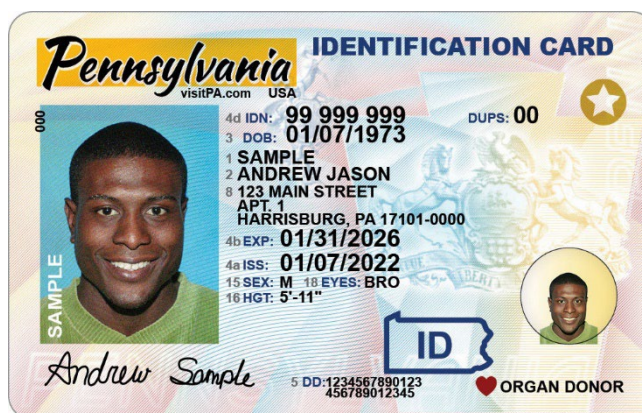
Adult Driver's License - REAL ID:



Adult Driver's License – NOT FOR REAL ID PURPOSES:



Adult Identification Card – REAL ID:



Adult Identification Card – NOT FOR REAL ID PURPOSES:



Sample REAL ID Receipt

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Bureau of Driver Licensing
REAL ID Receipt
Date: 01/01/2019

This **Temporary Driver's license** can be used from 01/01/2019 through 01/31/2019 as a driving document.

Your confirmation number is 19001-1234-12345-6-001 Please keep your receipt.

This Temporary Driver's License should be carried with your most recent driver's license issued by PennDOT.

If you have a valid photo and signature on file with PennDOT, you will receive your new REAL ID Driver's License in the mail in up to fifteen {15} business days. **Upon receipt of your new REAL ID Driver's License, please destroy the Driver's License that was previously issued to you. It is no longer valid.**

If you do not receive your camera card or new driver's license containing the REAL ID indicator on or before the expiration date listed above, please contact PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services Customer Care Center, Monday through Friday (except holidays), from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET at 717-412-5300. TTY callers please dial 711 to reach us.

DRIVER'S LICENSE INFORMATION

Name:	John Smith
Address:	123 Any Street Anytown, PA 12345
Driver's License Number:	11 222 333
Date of Birth:	01/01/19XX
Sex:	M
Height:	6 01
Eyes:	GRN
Class:	C
Endorsements:	----
Dup Count:	02
Commercial/Medical Restriction:	*/*
REAL ID:	Y
Veterans Designation:	N
Organ Donor:	Y

Signature: _____