# FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE AND ID CARD 

## RETAIL GUIDE

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## DOES YOUR ID

## have a star in the upper right-hand corner?



# NO? Then you are not REAL ID compliant! 

## WHEN DO I NEED REAL ID?

## Enforcement begins OCTOBER 1, 2021

## WHY DO I NEED REAL ID?

If you don't have a REAL ID, you MAY NOT be able to fly domestically or enter some federal buildings or military bases.

For information on becoming REAL ID compliant, visit

## FLHSMV.GOV/REALID

## WELCOME LETTER



The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) strives to provide the best service and maintain the highest level of security for all Floridians. As a retail organization that uses Florida credentials to verify identity and/or age, we understand that it is critical for you to have all of the information necessary to ensure that the individuals you encounter are representing themselves lawfully and legitimately. We are committed to issuing the most secure Florida driver license and ID card, which provides our customers protections against fraud and identity theft.

Inside this booklet you will find an overview of new features included in Florida's modified driver license and ID card, including additional security features. Modified credentials will begin to be issued in select offices in the coming weeks. After August 2020, this will be the only card design issued in Florida. Please review the important details within this Retail Guide so that you will be able to easily identify an authentic Florida credential and recognize and report fraudulent or counterfeit credentials.

The FLHSMV is committed to working with our partners in an effort to make A Safer Florida.


Terry L. Rhodes<br>Executive Director

## FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE AND ID CARD

## OVERVIEW

Florida's modified driver license and ID card incorporates additional security features and is the most secure over-the-counter driver license and ID card available today. The new security features make it highly difficult for criminals to alter or counterfeit credentials.

The modified credential is also compliant with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) 2016 driver license and ID card design standard and the Federal REAL ID Act.

By the end of August 2020, the modified credential will be available at all service centers throughout Florida and online. Individuals will only need to renew their driver license or ID card upon its expiration or if a required change is needed, such as a name or address change.

Though previous driver license and ID cards will still be in use alongside the modified credential until they are replaced or phased out, please note that after August 2020, this will be the only card design issued in Florida. Any credentials with an issue date after August 2020, without the new design, are fraudulent.

## NOTABLECHANGES

## OVERALL LOOK

The modified Florida driver license and ID card has a background image that incorporates a pastel-colored linear rendering of the Florida State Seal and a large orange "FL" over a stark white base. The modified design also incorporates additional security features compared to the previous card design. Pages 20-21 contain a list of security features and counterfeit detection methods.

## PREVIOUS DRIVER LICENSE DESIGNS (FRONT)



ISSUE DATES:
JUNE 2004 - DECEMBER 2017


ISSUE DATES:
AUGUST 2017-AUGUST 2019


ISSUE DATES:
MAY 2019 - AUGUST 2020

MODIFIED DRIVER LICENSE DESIGN (FRONT)


ISSUE DATE: AUGUST 2020

## SECTION 02 FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE AND ID CARD

The 2D barcode remains on the back of the credential and is located at the top instead of the bottom of the credential, as with previous cards. To obtain a copy of the 2D barcode or magnetic strip calibration sheets, please go to flhsmv.gov/newDL.

Please note: Retail technology that only supports the magnetic strip will not function on any Florida credentials issued after 2019.

PREVIOUS DRIVER LICENSE DESIGNS (BACK)


MODIFIED DRIVER LICENSE DESIGN (BACK)


ISSUE DATE: MAY 2019

# NOTABLEFEATURES 

## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATORS (AAMVA) STANDARD MANDATORY DATA ELEMENT NUMBERS

Every Florida driver license and ID card will show small numbers next to each data field (i.e. name, expiration date, sex, height). The inclusion of these numbers is required by the AAMVA driver license and ID card design standard and has been adopted by many states. The table on the following page provides a reference showing the data element to which each number corresponds.


| AAMVA Standard Mandatory Data Element Numbers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \# | Data Element | Definition |
| 1 | Family Name | Family name (commonly called surname or last name) or primary identifier of the individual. |
| 2 | Given Names | Given name or names (includes all of what are commonly referred to as first and middle names), or secondary identifier, of the individual. |
| 3 | Date of Birth | Cardholder's date of birth: month, day and year. <br> Format: MM/DD/CCYY |
| 4A | Date of Issue | Date credential was issued. <br> Format: MM/DD/CCYY |
| 4B | Date of Expiration | Date credential expires. <br> Format: MM/DD/CCYY |
| 4D | Cardholder Identifier | The alphanumeric string assigned by FLHSMV (ID/DL number). |
| 5 | Document Discriminator | A unique number indicating issuance office, issue date and form number. |
| 8 | Cardholder Address | The place where the cardholder resides and/or may be contacted (street/house number, municipality). |
| 9 | Vehicle Classifications | Vehicle types the cardholder is authorized to operate. |
| 9A | Endorsements | Codes denoting additional privileges granted to the cardholders. |
| 12 | Restrictions/ Conditions | Codes used to indicate restrictions or conditions that apply to the cardholder, including medical, administrative or legal limitations (shown as alphanumeric codes or pictographs). |
| 15 | Sex | Cardholder's sex: M for male, F for female. |
| 16 | Height | Cardholder's height: feet and inches. <br> Format: 6 foot 1 inch = 6'01" |
| 21 | Inventory Control Number | A string of letters and/or numbers located on the card back for FLHSMV inventory purposes only. |

Four different color headers help to identify the type of credential.
THESE INCLUDE:


## DESIGNATIONS

- Veteran Designation:

The modified Florida driver license and ID card will continue to have a designation available to show that the cardholder is a Veteran of the United States Armed Forces.


- Sexual Predator/Offender Designation:

The modified Florida driver license and ID card will continue to allow for the identification of sexual predators and sexual offenders with a blue identifier on the bottom right of the front of the card. Sexual predators will have "SEXUAL PREDATOR" spelled out on the card, while sexual offenders have "943.0435, F.S." listed in this area.


## CARD FRONT DIAGRAMS

The front of each Florida driver license and ID card contains the following personal identifying information:

- Photograph of the individual overlapping the linear image of the Florida State Seal;
- Driver license or ID card number;
- License type (i.e. Class E);
- Family name/given names;
- Cardholder address;
- Date of birth;
- Sex;
- Date of expiration;
- Height;
- Issue date; and
- Restrictions, endorsements \& designations.

Examples of each card front are displayed on pages 13-17.


## CLASS E ADULT DRIVER LICENSE



EPO UNTIL MM/DD/CCYY (Employment Purposes Only) BPO UNTIL MM/DD/CCYY (Business Purposes Only) IID UNTIL MM/DD/CCYY (Ignition Interlock Device) HAZMAT UNTIL MM/DD/CCYY (HazMat Endorsement)

## CLASS E UNDER 21 DRIVER LICENSE

(vertical format)


## CLASS E UNDER 21 LEARNER'S LICENSE (vertical format)



## ID CARD



## COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE (CDL)



## CARD BACK DIAGRAM

The back of each Florida driver license and ID card contains the following:

- Description of endorsements ("END") and restrictions ("REST") corresponding to codes on the card front.
- Vehicle description classifications - The class and description of vehicles the driver is authorized to operate.
- Redundant data - Data featured on the card front that also appears on the card back.
- 1D Barcode - Contains the inventory control number (for FLHSMV use only).
- 2D Barcode - Contains all printed demographic cardholder data.


## DRIVER LICENSE AND AND ID CARDS: CARD BACK DIAGRAM



PREVIOUS DRIVER LICENSE DESIGNS (BACK)


## SECURITY FEATURES/COUNTERFEIT DETECTION

The modified Florida driver license and ID card contains the following security features:

- Look-through element: Gold circle turns mostly clear in any transmitted light (e.g. sunlight, flashlight).
- Duplicate photograph: Duplicate image of the cardholder photograph present within look-through element on the card front and back.
- Optically variable ghost and data: Visible with card tilt and fluoresces with UV light.


## - Tactile authentication feature



The visibility of both the Optically Variable Ghost (OVG) Portrait and Variable Data changes when the card is tilted.

Optically Variable Data (OVD)
Visible with card tilt. Shows first initial first name, first initial last name and the last two digits of the cardholder's birth year.

Gold Look-Through Element
Turns clear when backlit (e.g. sunlight or flashlight).
Tactile Feature

## Redundant Data

 Duplicate image of the cardholder photograph present within look-through element on the card front and back.Restrictions, endorsements, driver license type and date of birth are repeated on the card back.


## UV LIGHT - 365 NM

- Fluorescence: The optically variable ghost photograph and data include an ultraviolet (UV) response that fluoresces purple under UV lighting, regardless of the viewing angle.
- Look-through element with UV: The gold tint of the look-through element fluoresces yellow/green under UV light.
- UV ink: When placed under a UV light, the card reveals in fluorescent yellow/green two diagonal ribbons of repeating "FLFLFL" and five outlines of the state of Florida together with the letters "FL".



## SECTION 03 SUSPECTED FRAUD

## SUSPECTED FRAUD

In order to prevent the issuance of driver licenses and ID cards to people who are not eligible to receive these documents, the FLHSMV has enacted stringent requirements relating to the documents that must be presented in order for a customer to prove his/her identity, residency, and citizenship or lawful presence in the United States.

In an effort to make it easier for concerned citizens and employees to assist in thwarting driver license fraud, the FLHSMV has set up an e-mail address for the reporting of suspected criminal activity.

Customers and employees of the FLHSMV can e-mail request for a fraud investigation to:

## fraud@flhsmv.gov

to report fraud directly to the Fraud Section. Or go to,

## flhsmv.gov/fraud




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