

State of Kansas Real-ID Compliance

Starting August 1, 2017, the State of Kansas began issuing Real ID compliant credentials.

In 2005, the U.S. Congress passed the “Real-ID Act” which establishes minimum security standards for state-issued driver’s licenses and identification cards, and prohibits Federal Agencies from accepting identification cards from states that do not meet these standards.

The new Real-ID/DL credentials will have a “Gold Star” printed in the upper right corner. Non-Real ID credentials will specify “Not for Federal ID”.

In order to obtain a state-issued Real-ID, the applicant will need to provide at least **one document** from **each** of the following:

- **Proof of Lawful Presence:**
 - State certified copy of birth certificate OR
 - Unexpired US Passport
- **Proof of name change:** If your current Driver’s license or ID card is NOT the same as your birth name, you will be required to provide one of the following:
 - State certified copy of Marriage license
 - Certified copy of Divorce Decree showing the newly appointed name
 - Court order of adoption
 - Court order of legal name change.

Please note, all documents must be original or state-certified copies. UNACCEPTABLE documents include a photocopy of a birth certificate or marriage license; a birth REGISTRATION document from the hospital; a marriage license from the church that has not been certified by the state.

- **Proof of Kansas residency**, dated within the last 12 months. Proof of residency must have physical address and not a PO Box. The following are examples of acceptable proof of residency:
 - Renewal postcard
 - Utility bill showing service address
 - Kansas motor vehicle registration
 - Rental or lease agreement
 - Bank statement
 - Real estate deed or mortgage
 - Most current W-2
- **Proof of social security** (must show all 9-digits of the social security number)
 - Social security card, (must be legible) **OR**
 - Current W-2 with full social security number **OR**
 - 1099 form with full social security number **OR**
 - Pay stub showing social security number

How will Real-ID compliance affect you?

Starting May 3, 2023, every person 18 and over who travels by air will need to present a Real-ID compliant license or identification card for domestic air travel.

Real-ID compliance does not apply to:

- Voting
- Applying for federal benefits
- Being licensed to drive, or
- Accessing health or life preserving services

The Jackson County Treasurer’s office cannot complete your transaction for Real-ID compliance if you have a Commercial Driver’s license, if you are a Registered Offender, if you are applying for a first-time Kansas Driver’s license, or if you are moving into Kansas from another state. See link for full service stations on the main page.

Please visit www.vitalchek.com for assistance in ordering a replacement birth. For a replacement social security card, please visit www.ssa.gov.