WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
LICENSING

What documents do I need to get my EDL/EID?

This list will help you meet the requirements to get an enhanced driver license (EDL) or enhanced identification card (EID). We can only accept original documents or government-certified copies with a raised seal or stamp. We cannot accept internet printouts, temporary, uncertified, notarized, or altered documents. We may retain copies of any documents you bring.

If you have a Washington driver license or identification card with a photo, you will need to bring the following when you go to a driver licensing office:

1. Proof of United States citizenship
2. Social Security number

If you do not have a Washington driver license or identification card with a photo, bring:

1. Proof of United States citizenship
2. Social Security number
3. Proof of identify
4. Proof of Washington State residence

1 Proof of United States citizenship

To prove citizenship, show us of one of the following:

- United States Passport that is valid or has been expired no more than five years
- Valid United States Passport card
- Original certified* state birth certificate (issued by the city, county, or state)
- Certificate of naturalization
- Certificate of citizenship
- Department of State Consular Report of Birth Abroad
- Valid out-of-state enhanced license or ID

* A certified birth certificate has a registrar's raised, embossed, impressed, or multicolored seal; a registrar's signature; and the date it was filed with the registrar's office, which must be within one year of your birth.

2 Social Security number

Be prepared to tell us your Social Security number. You don't need to show us the card. Your name and Social Security number must match Social Security records.

3 Proof of identity

Show one of the following:

- Valid United States Passport
- Valid state-issued driver license, enhanced driver license, or ID card
- Military ID
- Government employee ID card (state, federal, or city) showing your name and signature
- Tribal identification card

4 Proof of Washington State residence

To prove you live in Washington, show us **one document from this list with your name and current Washington resident address.**

- Concealed weapons permit
- Homeowner's insurance policy or invoice showing the address of the insured property or residence
- Home utility bill (such as gas, electricity, water, garbage, or land line telephone, or cable) or hook-up work order dated within the past 60 days. You must be the only person named on the bill or work order.

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Proof of Washington State residence

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- Mortgage documents
- Property tax bill or statement dated within the past 12 months
- Your name and address in a current phone book made by a telephone book publisher
- Moorage bill or contract showing that you live on a boat in a marina
- Federal or state government agency-issued check
- Tribal ID that contains your current resident address
- A filed property deed or title for your current residence
- A document from a public or private institution (hospital, college, Microsoft, etc.), or a government agency (Veteran's Administration, corrections, local housing authority, etc.) that contains your current resident address
- A document from a senior housing, retirement home, or assisted living facility on company letterhead with a telephone number that could be used for verification of your residency there
- Out-of-state license with a Washington State address. A change of address sticker or handwritten address on the license is not acceptable.

If you don't have any of those residence documents, you can show us TWO documents from this list with your name and current Washington State residence address:

- Auto insurance policy (not the proof of insurance card)
- Vehicle Title
- Washington State business license
- Current Washington State voter card
- Home utility bill (such as gas, electricity, water, garbage, or land line telephone, or cable) or hook-up work order dated within the past 60 days. Two or more unrelated people may be named on the bill or work order.
- Pay stub that contains your name, your current residence address, your employer's name, and your employer's phone number of address
- Business mail dated within the last 60 days. Mail must include your first and last name, and must be from state or federal revenue departments, the Social Security Administration, the U.S. Treasury, or the IRS. It cannot be addressed "in care of," "for," or "parent of."
- Medical record paid by insurance or a medical bill
- Medicaid card or DSHS medical coupon
- Professional license (nurse, physician, engineer, etc.)
- Selective service card showing a Washington State address
- Professionally-filed tax return or filed copy sent to you by the IRS for the most current tax filing year
- Transcript or report card for the current school year from an educational institution in Washington State
- W-2 form from the previous year
- Earnings and Deducation Statement from a Washington State agency

You can use documents that are in your spouse's name if your last name and that of your spouse are the same or if you bring in acceptable connecting documents (for example: a marriage certificate). Your spouse does not need to be present and does not need to sign a declaration.

Proof of name change

If you have a valid driver license, ID card, or EDL/EID and you want an EDL/EID displaying your current name, you must show one of the following:

- A marriage certificate (including same-sex marriage certificate) that has a control or file number and has been filed with the county or authorized issuing authority. Church or wedding chapel forms are not acceptable.
- A court order filed and certified by the court
- A divorce decree showing the new name or authorizing a name change, filed and certified by the court

Minor (under age 18)

If you are under 18, you may use your parent's or legal guardian's residence address as proof of residence. Your parent or legal guardian must live in Washington State and must show us acceptable documents proving their identity, residence and relationship to you.

If you are under 18, you may establish your identity with a parent or legal guardian affidavit. When you apply, your parent or legal guardian must come with you to the licensing office, sign the affidavit, and show us at least one acceptable document to prove their identity and one other document to prove they are your parent or legal guardian. If your parent or legal guardian's proof of identification is an out-of-state driver license or ID card, or if your last name differs from that of your parent or legal guardian, we will require more documents.