

West Virginia

Current Driver's License Samples

In January 2025, West Virginia realased a new look for driver's licenses and ID cards. Here's a comparison:

Pre-2020

2020 Version

2025

WV Driver's License "Not For Federal Identification"
Sample shown for citizens over age 21.
These currently arrive at the applicant's address through USPS in approximately 30 to 45 business days.

Pre-2020

2020 Version

2025

WV Driver's License REAL ID FOR "Federal Identification Use"
Sample shown for citizens over age 21.
These are applied for at all DMV locations, however they currently arrive at the applicant's address through USPS in approximately 30 to 45 business days.

Pre-2020

2020 Version

2025

WV License Ages 15-17
Sample shown for Level 2 - Intermediate License but *Not For Federal Identification* / Real ID Purposes.

Pre-2020

2020 Version

2025

WV License Ages 18-20 REAL ID
Sample shown for Under 21 Driver's License and *For Federal Identification* / Real ID Purposes.

Redundant Data

WV License Back
Sample shown for Driver's Licenses for citizens over age of 21

REAL ID*

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and

NOT FOR FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION = NOT FOR REAL ID PURPOSES

WV Temporary License
Sample shown for citizens over age 21.
Supplied by DMV when an applicant elects a "Federal Identification Use" Driver's License. The expiration is set at 60 days from the issuance date.

West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles

TEMPORARY RECEIPT CLP

DRIVER'S LICENSE INSTRUCTION PERMIT

CLASS: G-Vision Impaired
ENDORSEMENTS: None
RESTRICTIONS: None

The outgoing versions ARE STILL VALID through the grace period of 30 days after the printed expiration date.

***REAL ID:** The description of "Not for REAL ID Purposes" is the same credential as "Not for Federal Identification." These disclaimers mean exactly the same thing and, coupled with the gold star icon, are meant solely to differentiate between the driver's license or ID card that *IS* and *IS NOT* compliant for federal identification. Starting May 7, 2025, the *Not for Federal Identification* driver's license and ID card will not be able to be used when REAL ID is enforced for boarding aircraft and to gain entry into some federal buildings, but will still be recognized as a valid ID or driver's license for all other standard purposes.