Securing an Ohio ID

The Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles issues Ohio Identification (ID) cards to Ohio residents who do not have a valid driver license. Ohio ID cards are valid for four years or eight years and there is no minimum age for obtaining one. Ohioans can obtain an ID by visiting a BMV deputy registrar licensing agency. To find a license agency closest to you: publicsafety.ohio.gov/local-office

Are you eligible for an ID?

Ohio residents, without a valid driver license, can receive an ID card. There is no minimum age for obtaining an ID card but individuals must provide proof of legal name, date of birth, social security number, legal presence, and Ohio residency.

Ohioans who are under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or a guardian.

How should you prepare for a BMV visit?

Before visiting a licensing agency, be sure you have all the necessary documents to be issued an ID card. You can now Get In Line, Online when you visit the deputy registrar license agency to reserve your spot in line in advance of your BMV visit: ohiobmvappt.cxflow.com

For a Compliant ID card, review the Acceptable Documents List: bmv.ohio.gov/dl-identity-documents.aspx

Applicants must provide proof of:

1. Full legal name
2. Date of birth
3. Legal presence in U.S.
4. Social Security number (SSN)
5. Ohio street address—TWO documents, from different sources on the Acceptable Document List, proving Ohio street address are required for proof of Ohio residency.
6. Proof of name change (if applicable)

For a Standard ID card, review the Acceptable Documents List: bmv.ohio.gov/dl-identity-documents.aspx

Applicants must provide proof of:

1. Full legal name
2. Date of birth
3. Legal presence in U.S.
4. Social Security number (SSN)
5. Ohio street address
6. Proof of name change (if applicable)

Will IDs be free?

Starting April 7, 2023, Ohioans who are 17 years and older can receive an ID card at no cost.

For Ohioans who are 16 years and younger, an ID card will cost:

- New / Renewal costs $10.00 for a 4-year and $19.00 for an 8-year.
- Duplicate or Online Reprint costs $9.00 for a 4-year and $9.00 for an 8-year.

Where can you renew your ID?

- Deputy Registrar License Agency. To find a license agency closest to you: publicsafety.ohio.gov/local-office
- Renew ID cards online. To renew online: bmvonline.dps.ohio.gov

For answers to frequently asked questions, scan the code or visit: bmv.ohio.gov/dl-id-card.aspx