



Motor Vehicle Administration

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TO: All Law Enforcement Agencies
FROM: Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration
DATE: June 9, 2016
RE: Temporary Licenses Issued for Administrative Per Se (DUI) Offenses

Prior to February 2016, individuals served with a DR-15A Order of Suspension, including a 45-day temporary license, were eligible to apply for an identification (ID) card to carry with the temporary license. This option has been discontinued because REAL ID Act compliance does not allow an individual to hold both an ID card and any driver's license simultaneously. If an individual applies for an ID card, the driver's license information and valid license status is removed from the driver's record.

To allow a customer to obtain a photo document after their license is confiscated, the MVA permits the following:

Duplicate License –An individual served with a Temporary License DR15A is authorized to continue to drive for 45 days. The MVA will, upon request by the individual, issue a duplicate driver's license so that the individual can continue to drive and be able to display a form of photo identification during the 45 day period.

- o The MVA instructs the customer that they **MUST** surrender the duplicate driver's license on the 46th day from the issuance of the DR-15A or at a hearing, if one is requested.
- o The individual's DR-15A Temporary License is **not** required to be surrendered to the MVA, at the time the duplicate is obtained, as it contains the application to opt into the Ignition Interlock Program.
- o In these circumstances, Law Enforcement Officers may encounter an individual lawfully in possession of the DR-15A Temporary License **and** a duplicate driver's license.

Identification Card – An individual issued a DR-15A Temporary License may surrender their privilege to drive and start their suspension period. The individual may then obtain an ID card.

- o When the ID card is issued to an individual, the driving privilege is also surrendered and the individual may not lawfully drive.
- o The MVA does **not** require the DR-15A Temporary License to be surrendered at the time the ID card is issued. An individual with a suspended license retains the DR-15A Temporary License to present to an ignition interlock system service provider, should the individual decide to opt into the Ignition Interlock Program.
- o The MVA instructs the individual that they may **not** drive with the ID card. The individual must obtain a license once the period of suspension ends, or enrolled in the Ignition Interlock Program.