HOW TO GET YOUR NEW SECURE CARD

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When you apply for a *new* driver's license, learner's permit, or ID card, you will still visit your local MVA office and go through the following steps:

- Bring required documents;
- Take any tests required;
- Have your photo taken; and
- Pay required fees.
- You will keep your existing card (if you have one) and you will receive an interim document (receipt), which is valid for 30 days.
- You will receive your new card in the mail within 7 - 10 business days.

RENEWING YOUR CARD

As always, we encourage you to "Skip the Trip" to the MVA and renew your driver's license or ID card via web, kiosk and mail. If you choose any of these easy methods, there is no change to the current process. Please remember to keep your old card and receipt until your new secure driver's license or ID card arrives in the mail.

PLAN AHEAD

Plan ahead to give yourself enough time to receive your new secure card through the mail. You can renew your driver's license or ID card six months before your expiration date.

If you're in a rush, the MVA offers the option to receive your driver's license or ID card the next day through the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), which charges $15 for expedited delivery. Please note that you must be present and provide a signature when your expedited product is delivered by the USPS.

Make sure you maintain an updated mailing address with the MVA. You can track the delivery of your new license or ID card online at: mva.maryland.gov/product-tracking. Please wait at least two weeks after your transaction before contacting the MVA if you haven't received your new card.

WHY NOW?

Maryland last updated the driver's license and ID card in 2003 and the old technology is vulnerable to counterfeiting and fraud. The redesign uses the latest technology to safeguard your personal information.

Issuing the new cards from one central location also limits access to card materials, equipment and your personal information.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE NEW SECURE DRIVER'S LICENSE AND ID CARD, VISIT: mva.maryland.gov

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NEW Secure Driver's License and ID Card

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MVA Motor Vehicle Administration

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NEW SECURE CARDS

To safeguard your personal identification, the Maryland Department of Transportation's Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) totally redesigned the driver's license, learner's permit and identification (ID) card to help protect against identity theft and counterfeiting. The MVA will begin issuing the new cards through the mail in June 2016. There is no fee increase for the new secure cards.

The new cards proudly feature iconic Maryland symbols, including the Chesapeake blue crab, Oriole bird and the State House. The redesigned cards meet state and federal standards and are one of the most secure credentials in the country.

NEW SECURE PROCESS

To further protect your personal information, the new cards are printed and mailed from a high-security MVA facility. Customers will receive their new cards in the mail within 7 - 10 business days. A similar process is used to deliver U.S. Passports, credit cards and other important documents.

Remember, Maryland law requires that your correct address is on file at the MVA. The U.S. Post Office will not forward MVA mail. To update your address with the MVA, visit: mva.maryland.gov and type "address change" in the search box.

NEW SECURE CARD FEATURES

The new design incorporates cutting-edge security and other features, including:

REAL ID Compliant
Meets state and federal regulations.

Changeable Laser Image
Feature that enables two or more images to occupy the same area.

Polycarbonate Card Body
More durable, secure and tamper-resistant card body.

Tactile Text
Laser engraving on the card raises the print making it difficult to tamper or modify.

Laser Engraving
Provides maximum protection against data manipulation and forgery.

Veteran Designation
Veterans now have the opportunity to have this important designation appear on the front of a driver's license or ID card so the holder's status is immediately recognized.

Inventory Control Number
A unique number and accompanying barcode to verify the card was issued to you.

Color Photo
A full-color image of the card holder is printed on the back as another barrier against fraud.

Rainbow Printing
Printing feature that allows one color to change to another before transitioning back to the original color.

Identity Barcode
Encoded information to confirm your identity.