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All Driver Licenses Not Created Equal

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## Summary:

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## Article Body:

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## Already have a Drivers License - Recognized by Florida

If you have a drivers license from another US state that Florida recognizes as a primary form of ID then getting your florida drivers license can be fairly simple. The biggest challenge is providing the correct ID. A drivers license from most US states is recognized by Florida as a primary source of identification.

It must be accompanied by a secondary ID like a social security card, marriage certificate, a life insurance policy, or a birth certificate. See the full list of secondary documents accepted by the Florida DMV.

## More ID Required

If your drivers license is from one of the following 20 US states it is only acceptable as a secondary form of ID.

Alaska

Connecticut

Hawaii

Illinois

Indiana

Iowa  
Michigan  
Minnesota  
Nebraska  
New Jersey  
North Carolina  
Oregon  
Rhode Island  
Tennessee  
Texas  
Utah  
Vermont  
Virginia  
Washington  
Wisconsin

Your ID requirements are stricter - as a primary form of ID you must provide one of the following documents:

Original or certified United States birth certificate  
Valid United States passport  
Certificate of Naturalization

#### Bring the Right ID

Failing to bring acceptable identification is the most common reason people fail to get their Florida drivers license. And it can be painful. First you will wait, and wait, and wait - then you will present your ID. If you don't have the required documents you go home.

#### Know your Social Security Number

US Citizens are required to provide a valid Social Security number.

#### Suspended Drivers Licenses a No Go

If your out-of-state drivers license is suspended you must clear up the suspension before you will be given a Florida drivers license.

#### Make an Appointment

To speed up your visit to the Florida DMV make an appointment. The entire process can be done online. To make an appointment you will indicate the type of appointment you want to make - in this case Convert Out-of-State License to Florida, then you will select the Florida County where you want to visit the DMV.