



## **Idaho's Free ID Card for Voting**

In 2023, Idaho changed its voter identification (ID) laws and created a free ID card for voting. This option is for individuals who do not have one of the other types of photo ID that are needed to register to vote.

If you do not have an Idaho driver's license, a federal passport, a tribal ID card, or a concealed weapons license issued by a county sheriff in Idaho, the free ID card for voting might be for you.

### **What you need to Get the Free ID Card for Voting**

To get the ID you will need to visit your local DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) and show proof of where you live (proof of residence) and your identity. Be sure to mark on the application form that the ID is for voting so it will be free of charge. The DMV will take your photo for your ID and give you a temporary paper ID while you wait for the real one to come in the mail.

If you cannot physically go to a DMV office to apply for your free ID because of your disability, you may be able to ask for an accommodation for your disability. Contact the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) directly to request an accommodation. You can email [\*\*civilrights@itd.idaho.gov\*\*](mailto:civilrights@itd.idaho.gov) or call **208-334-8884** to make your request.

If you still need help after contacting ITD, please call Disability Rights Idaho, toll-free, at **1-866-262-3462**.

## **Proof of Residence**

If you have lived in Idaho for at least 30 days, you can get a free photo ID card for voting. The words “Proof of Residence” mean certain documents showing that you, in fact, live in Idaho. For a document to count as proof of residence, the document must show your name and the address in Idaho where you live. It must also be dated within the last 12 months from when you apply for the free ID.

Acceptable proof of residency documents include:

- Lease/rental agreement, mortgage or deed
- Account statement from one or two different public utilities. Cell phone bills are not accepted
- Account statement from bank or financial institution
- Tax document Form W-2 or Form 1099
- Medical or insurance provider statement, invoice, or explanation of benefits
- Pay stub or proof of employment that shows your legal name and where you live
- Idaho school enrollment records with current address or Verification of Compliance (VOC) for current school year and current address. You can get school records from your school’s Registrar’s office or ask your school counselor or secretary where you can get your records.
- Motel, hotel, campground or RV park receipt on letterhead that shows you have stayed there for 30 days or more
- Military Leave and Earning Statement (LES) to show your Idaho residency while deployed outside of Idaho on active duty
- Relief agency or shelter certification if you are living in Idaho and currently have unstable housing or no housing – see below for more information
- Residency affidavit (must be signed by adult over 18) – see below for more information
- Court documents that show your address (these need to be original or unchanged from the original)
- Record of property taxes assessed or paid less than 12 months ago

- A vehicle, homeowner's, or renter's liability (insurance) card, binder, or bill issued for an Idaho based policy (must be valid and unexpired, must have current residential address, and can be original paper, print, or photocopy of e-document)

### **What is relief agency or shelter certification?**

The purpose of the relief agency or shelter certification is to give individuals who are homeless or have unstable housing a way to access a free Idaho ID. A relief agency or shelter employee must fill out the Relief Agency or Shelter Certification form to confirm that you are a resident of Idaho and are receiving social services from the organization. The employee who signs the form will either (1) need to come with you to apply for your ID and present their own identification, OR (2) the form needs to be notarized.

The form is called the Relief Agency or Shelter Certification, Form ITD 3530. You can find the form on the ITD website <https://itd.idaho.gov/itddmv/> in the Driver's License / ID Cards section. If you scroll down the page there is a Forms tab that can be expanded. There you should see a link for Relief Agency or Shelter Certification, ITD 3530. As of August 2024, the following link is a direct link to the [Relief Agency or Shelter Certification Form](#).

### **What is a residency affidavit?**

If you do not have any of the other listed proof of residency documents, you may be able to submit a residency affidavit. A residency affidavit is a form from the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) that is filled out by another person who lives at your address, a person who owns the property, or another person who knows you. The person who fills out the form must confirm that you live at the address you say you do by swearing they are telling the truth and signing the form.

If the person comes with you to submit the voter ID application, they will be required to show their Idaho driver's license or photo ID. If the person is not present, their signature on the form will need to be notarized.

The residency affidavit form is called Form ITD 3522 Certificate of Idaho Residency. You can find the form on the ITD website <https://itd.idaho.gov/itddmv/> in the Driver's License / ID Cards section. If you scroll down the page there is a Forms tab that can be expanded. There you should see a link for Certificate of Idaho Residency, ITD 3522. As of August 2024, the following link is a direct link to the [Certificate of Idaho Residency Form](#).

## **Proof of Identity**

Driver's license examiners must verify your identity and age before giving you an ID card. This requires you to present "photo identity documents."

Photo identity documents must include your photograph, full legal name, and date of birth. These documents must be verifiable as authentic (the examiner must be able to contact the issuing agency to determine authenticity).

*The following are examples of acceptable photo identity documents:*

- Idaho driver's license or identification card not expired more than five years
- Out-of-state driver's license or identification card not expired more than five years
- Acceptable valid Department of Homeland Security (DHS) photo card/document
- U.S. Military ID card or U.S. Retired Military card
- U.S. Military Dependent's card
- U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport card
- Original citizenship/naturalization document
- Valid Foreign passport
- Concealed Weapons Permit issued by the state of Idaho not expired for one year or more
- Veteran's Universal Access Card, with photo
- Native American ID card, with photo
- Junior or senior high school (not college or university) photo card

- Junior or senior high school, college or military yearbook/annual
- Federal Bureau of Prisons issued Release Identification
- Idaho Department of Corrections photo ID card
- Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections photo ID card

### **What if you do not have a photo identity document?**

For people who do not have a valid photo identification the Idaho Transportation Department has provided information regarding the following “No Photo Exception Process.” This information is current as of August 14, 2024

If you do not have one of the photo identity documents listed above, you will need to show a **certified original birth certificate** AND three (3) of the following (note: At least one document should include your name and date of birth):

- Social Security card
- Parent with their driver’s license or state-issued identification card
  - This means your parent must come with you to the DMV and provide their own photo identification. They will also need to sign an affidavit saying they are your parent and can confirm that your name and date of birth are accurate.
- Medical or immunization records listing name, date of birth, social security number, and parent’s name.
- School records listing name, date of birth, and parent’s names.
- Employment records or pay stubs within the last 2-3 months
- Medicaid or Medicare card
- Military documents, such as enrollment or discharge papers
- Marriage certificate
- Death certificate of spouse
- Divorce decree
- Your child’s birth certificate