RENEW YOUR VERMONT DRIVER’S LICENSE OR ID CARD EARLY

BECAUSE THE DMV WILL NO LONGER BE PRINTING THEM ONSITE

The DMV is in the process of switching to a new style of driver’s licenses and ID cards (also called credentials). Please check the DMV website to learn which offices have changed to the new system. If the DMV office that you go to is still issuing the old style of credentials, then you’ll leave with a renewed license or ID card like the one that you have now.

Under the new system, you will NOT leave with a new license or ID card. The new credentials have advanced security features, must be printed at a highly secure site out of state, and go further to prevent fraud and identity theft, a key mission of the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles.

Your new credential will be mailed from the high-security printing facility seven to ten days after you visit the DMV. You will leave the DMV with a 30-day temporary paper document to be used FOR DRIVING PURPOSES ONLY. If you renew by mail after the DMV has changed to the new system, then you will not receive a temporary document.

If you try to use your temporary license for identification purposes, it is likely that you will be asked for a second form of ID. The DMV recommends that along with your temporary paper document, you also keep your current credential, even if it has expired, as that might be sufficient. We always suggest that you contact the business or organization in advance to learn what form of identification is required.

To get your credential, visit a DMV office or, if eligible, complete and mail the enclosed renewal form with the applicable fee to 120 State St., Montpelier, VT, 05603-0001.

Any time you need to visit the DMV, first check the office hours and locations, and be sure that you have everything you need before your visit.