

| | Current AK DL or ID | REAL ID-compliant DL/ID | TWIC | Passport | Passport Card |
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| Primary Purpose | Driving privilege and/or general identity credential not accepted for federal purposes | Driving privilege and/or general identity credential accepted for federal purposes | A threat assessment for the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC®) | International travel document, valid for air travel | Land or sea travel between US and: Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda. Not valid for int'l air travel. |
| Duration | 5 years + online/mail in renewal option for another 5 years | Up to 8 years + online/mail in renewal option for another 8 years | 5 years, or if the reduced rate is paid, matched with the expiration of a valid CDL with HazMat or a FAST (Free and Secure Trade) card | 10 years | 10 years |
| Cost | DL-\$20; ID-\$15; Alcohol Restricted DL or ID-\$50 | DL-\$40; ID- \$35; Alcohol Restricted DL or ID-\$70 (*based on \$20 fee established by H STA CS for HB 74) | \$125.25; reduced rate for CDL holder subject to additional HazMat background check fees \$105.25 | 110 + \$25 Application Fee | \$55; Renewal \$30 |
| Processing Times | Temporary card issued immediately; permanent card mailed within 2 weeks | Temporary card issued immediately; permanent card mailed within 2 weeks | TWIC site doesn't state. Third party websites estimate typically 3-4 weeks | Routine 6-8 weeks; expedited 2-3 weeks | Routine 6-8 weeks; expedited 2-3 weeks |
| Renewal Cost | Same | Same | Same as new applicant | \$100 | \$30 |
| Renewal Method | In Person/Online/Mail | In Person/Online/Mail | Same as new applicant | In person/mail: MUST GIVE UP CURRENT PASSPORT TO RENEW | In person/mail: MUST GIVE UP CURRENT PASSPORT CARD TO RENEW |
| Who Qualifies | Anyone who meets requirements in current AK statute/regulation | Anyone who meets the requirements in AK statute/regulation and opts to participate in identity verification process | Individuals with certain disqualifying offenses as determined by DHS may be ineligible | Anyone who meets the department of state requirements | Anyone who meets the department of state requirements |
| RF ID Chip | No | No | Yes | Yes, since 2007 | Yes |
| Application Access | AK DMV Offices, M-F, excluding state holidays | AK DMV Offices, M-F, excluding state holidays | Hours vary by location in Alaska; mostly part-time outside of Anchorage | In person/mail *Original or name change requires mailing of a person's source documents | In person/mail *Original or name change requires mailing of a person's source documents. |
| Delivery Method | Central Issuance - Mailed | Central Issuance - Mailed | Central Issuance - Mailed | Central Issuance - Mailed | Central Issuance - Mailed |
| In-person Application | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Online/Mail Renewal | Yes | Yes* only to renew a previously issued REAL ID | No - Same as new applicant | Yes | Yes |
| Background Check & Fingerprints | No | No | Yes | No | No |
| Requires a PIN | No | No | Yes | No | No |
| Database Owner | Alaska DMV | Alaska DMV | Department Homeland Security | Dept of State | Dept of State |