REAL ID: OVERVIEW

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REAL ID-Compliant Driver's Licenses and State ID Cards Overview

Beginning May 3, 2023, only federal compliant REAL ID driver's licenses and state ID cards will be accepted to get on a domestic airline flight and to enter certain federal buildings and military bases. A United States Passport or military ID can be used as an alternate identification for these purposes.

On January 16, 2018, the City and County of Honolulu began issuing new and renewed driver's licenses and state IDs bearing **a star in a gold circle** that indicates full compliance with new Department of Homeland Security guidelines.

Valid Hawaii driver's licenses and state ID cards are compliant with Department of Homeland Security standards until **May 3, 2023**.

Federal and state law allows you to have only ONE REAL ID-compliant card. You can no longer have both. Residents must choose either a compliant driver's license or state ID. Licenses and state ID cards already issued will remain valid through their expiration date.

When acquiring or renewing a driver's license or state ID card, residents must indicate on the application whether the card will be federal compliant REAL ID. There is no additional fee for the star marking.

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