

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR GRADUATED DRIVER LICENSE



ALL DOCUMENTATION MUST BE ORIGINAL

▶ PROOF OF IDENTITY/LEGAL STATUS

Proof of citizenship or legal presence

i. Example: certified copy of a birth certificate filed with a State Office of Vital Statistics or equivalent agency with parent(s) listed, valid/unexpired U.S. passport, Consular Report of Birth Abroad, Certificate of Naturalization, or Certificate of Citizenship.

1. If anything other than a birth certificate is provided, they must also provide proof of parents

ii. Example: valid, unexpired immigration document issued from USCIS (permanent resident card, employment authorization card)

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Name change document, if applicable (usually is not)

▶ PROOF OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Social security card, w-2 tax form, SSA1099 form, SSA non-1099 form, pay stub with full SSN, any valid document from the Social Security Administration showing full SSN.

i. If the individual does not qualify for a SSN, an ineligibility letter from SSA dated within the last 60 days.

▶ PARENT APPEARANCE

Parent or legal guardian (living at the address listed on their blue/white certificate) must appear in person with his/her DE DL/ID. If they have an out-of-state DL/ID, need 2 proofs of Delaware residence in parent's name, dated within the last 60 days.

i. If it is not a parent, also need court-ordered guardianship papers and the guardian must appear.

▶ WHITE/BLUE CERTIFICATE FROM DRIVER'S ED

▶ FOREIGN ADOPTION REQUIREMENTS FOR MINORS

If a minor was adopted and born outside of the United States, additional information will be required other than what is notated in the Acceptable Identification Documents List in the Class D Driver Manual. Proof of citizenship or legal presence must be provided, even if the minor was adopted by a United States citizen. If the minor's name was changed during the adoption, proof of the name change and adoption paperwork may be required, contingent upon the situation.

i. Example 1: If the minor provides his/her foreign birth certificate for proof of parents in conjunction with proof of citizenship or legal presence, and the name(s) does not match on all documents, proof of the legal name change WILL be required. Acceptable proof would be the original adoption paperwork displaying the name change or a legal name change document through court.

ii. Example 2: If the minor provides his/her foreign birth certificate for proof of parents in conjunction with proof of citizenship or legal presence, and the name(s) does match on all documents, proof of the legal name change WILL NOT be required. Note: If the adoptive parents are NOT listed on the birth certificate, the adoption paperwork will be required in both scenarios mentioned above.