

# Prepare now for REAL ID

Pennsylvania Department of Motor Vehicles



The REAL ID Act, passed by the U.S. Congress in 2005, requires changes to state standards, procedures, and requirements for the issuance of driver's licenses and identification cards, if they are to be accepted as identity documents by the federal government.

**Pennsylvania is under a REAL ID enforcement extension until October 18, 2018**, which means that Pennsylvania residents will not face access issues when entering federal facilities through that date. PennDOT will continue to request extensions from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security until REAL ID products are available for residents.

**PennDOT estimates REAL ID-compliant driver licenses and identification cards will be available at the customer's option in 2019.** This will allow ample time for customers who want a REAL ID product to obtain one before the final DHS effective date of October 1, 2020.

For additional information on REAL ID, please visit the [Department of Homeland Security](#) website

## REAL ID FAQs



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