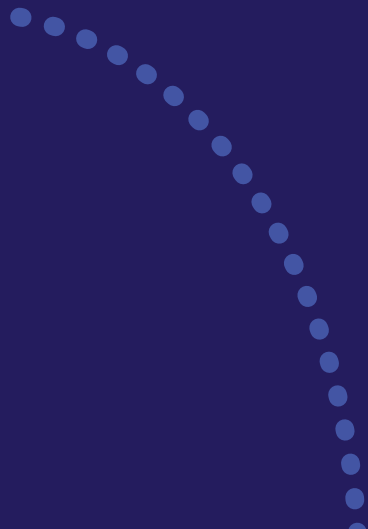


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# REAL ID: Frequently Asked Questions

## Q. What does a REAL ID card look like? How can I tell if my identification card is compliant?

**A.** Most REAL ID compliant licenses are marked with a star in the upper portion of the card. If you do not see a star or are unsure, visit your state driver's license agency website for additional details about your state's REAL ID license and identification card.

## Q. How do I know if my state is REAL ID compliant?

**A.** To find out if your state is REAL ID compliant, please visit the Department of Homeland Security's Official REAL ID webpage [www.dhs.gov/real-id](http://www.dhs.gov/real-id).

## Q. Why do I need a REAL ID?

**A.** States will *not* require a REAL ID-compliant license to drive or vote, but you will need it to board commercial aircraft effective October 1, 2020.

## Q. Will any other forms of identification be accepted?

**A.** If you do not have a REAL ID-compliant identification card, U.S. passports, DHS Trusted Traveler cards and military identification will also be accepted at the TSA checkpoint. For a complete list of IDs that fly, visit [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

## Q. Do I need a REAL ID if I have TSA PreCheck?

**A.** Yes. Although TSA PreCheck is a great benefit, you will still need to present a REAL ID compliant ID to pass through a TSA security checkpoint.

## Q. Do my kids need a REAL ID to travel?

**A.** No. Only air travelers 18 years of age and older will be required to present a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or another form of approved identification to fly within the United States.

## Q. Is REAL ID really going to be enforced? Will TSA extend the deadline again?

**A.** TSA is fully prepared to implement the REAL ID Act in October 1, 2020. We encourage you to visit your state's Department of Motor Vehicles and be prepared as early as possible.

## Q. Where can I get more information about REAL ID and the Real ID Act?

**A.** For more information about REAL ID and what it means for you, visit [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

This toolkit is designed to assist in educating your constituents about REAL ID requirements. The toolkit includes several documents providing information to equip you and your constituents for the upcoming Oct. 1, 2020, deadline, including drafted advertisements, postcards and social media posts. Additionally, please find language you can include in a press release, letter or email to your constituents highlighting critical information about how to prepare for REAL ID. *Each state has a unique approach to REAL ID implementation and it may be beneficial to update the prepared language with state-specific information.*

## Ads to Place in Newsletters

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## Postcard to Send to Constituents

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The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) also has prepared graphics and materials which are still available online and can be found at [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

# Sample Tweets

Don't let changes at TSA checkpoints keep you from boarding your flight next Fall! Visit our friendly [@STATEDMV](#) for more about obtaining your #REALID: [>>Your state DMV website <<](#)



Planning to fly in 2020? Make sure you have your #REALID by October 1, 2020. For more information visit our [@STATEDMV](#): [>>Your state DMV website <<](#)

Changes are coming to @TSA checkpoints! Starting October 1, 2020, U.S. travelers need a #REALID to get through airport security. Visit [@STATEDMV](#) to get yours today: [>>Your state DMV website <<](#)

Is your ID ready to fly? Starting October 1, 2020, you will need a #REALID to pass through @TSA at the airport. Visit [@STATEDMV](#) today! [>>Your state DMV website <<](#)

# Sample of State/Local — Press Release Draft

*{Press Release header here}*

## **Changes are coming to airport security requirements**

Effective Oct. 1, 2020, travelers will not be allowed to board a flight without a REAL ID or an approved alternative identification such as a passport – even for domestic flights.

Travelers who prefer using a driver’s license as a primary form of identification at the airport will need to ensure they have a REAL ID compliant card. Otherwise, travelers may be unable to pass through the checkpoint and board their flight after October 1, 2020.

What does a REAL ID compliant license look like? REAL ID compliant driver’s licenses are generally marked with a star in the upper-right portion of the identification card. Below is an image of what REAL ID compliance licenses look like here in *[[insert state here]]*.

*[[insert state-specific graphic]]*

Valid passports will also be accepted as a valid form of identification at the TSA checkpoint after October 1, 2020, as well as Traveler Cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST) issued by the Department of Homeland Security. A full list of acceptable forms of identification and additional information is available online at [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

For more information about obtaining a REAL ID in *[[insert state here]]*, visit *[[state DMV website]]*.

# Sample of Email Text

**Subject: Don't Miss Your Flight – Important Changes Coming to TSA Checkpoints**

Did you know that this time next year TSA will not accept some state issued driver's licenses and identification cards at the security checkpoint?

Effective October 1, 2020, all air travelers over the age of 18 will need a REAL ID compliant driver's license or identification card to pass through security and board commercial flights within the United States. U.S. passports, DHS Trusted Traveler cards and military identification will also be accepted.

**How do you know if you have a REAL ID compliant identification card?**

Take a moment and look at your state-issued identification card or driver's license.

**Does it look like the image below?**

[[state graphic]]

If not, you will need to visit our Department of Motor Vehicles to obtain a new identification card if you plan to continue using your driver's license as a primary form of identification for air travel. For details about obtaining a compliant license, visit: [[state DMV website]].

I know how important it is for you to stay connected with friends, family and colleagues across the country and around the world. I encourage you to visit your state's DMV website as soon as possible to ensure your license is REAL ID compliant and to spread the word about this important update to the identification cards we use every day!

Additional information about REAL ID is available online at [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

Sincerely,

# Sample of State/Local — Letter

Dear **[Constituent]**,

I want to ensure you are aware of important new security requirements that will be enforced at all TSA checkpoints next year.

Effective on Oct. 1, 2020, travelers will not be allowed to board a flight without a REAL ID, or some kind of alternative identification such as a passport – even if you are flying within the United States.

**What does this mean for you?** If you prefer using your driver’s license as your primary form of identification at the airport, you will need to ensure you have a REAL ID compliant card. Otherwise, you may be unable to pass through the checkpoint and board your flight after October 1, 2020.

Take a moment to look at your state-issued identification card or driver’s license. **Does it look like the image below?** If so, your identification card meets the new security standards. If not, you will need to visit the Department of Motor Vehicle’s website for information about obtaining a REAL ID here in **[state]**.

**[insert state specific graphic here]**

Will any other forms of identification be accepted after October 1? If you have a valid passport, this will be accepted as a valid form of identification at the TSA checkpoint after October 1, 2020. Alternatively, Traveler Cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST) issued by the Department of Homeland Security will be accepted. A full list of acceptable forms of identification and additional information is available online at [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id).

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