

**Independent Living Program Activity Card**

**Category: IMPORTANT DOCS**

**Activity: Get a Driver License and CA Identification**

**Description:** **The objective of this assignment is to:** encourage you to get your Driver License or CA Identification. Having either of these forms of identification can be helpful in many ways.

**How do I get credit for this assignment?**

- Read through all of the information provided
- Get either a Driver's License or a CA ID card.
- Email a cop of your DL or ID along with this cover sheet to: Michelle Estrada at [mestrada@orangewoodfoundation.org](mailto:mestrada@orangewoodfoundation.org)

**THIS ASSIGNMENT CAN BE COMPLETED TWICE  
(ONCE FOR A DL AND ONCE FOR AN ID)**

**You may earn \$10.00 OF dollars for getting CA ID and \$20.00 OF dollars for your Driver License.**

**Please turn in a copy of your Driver License or ID with this activity card.**

Total Dollars Earned:

\$
(ILP Use Only)

Notes:
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Signature	Date of Birth
Print Name (Youth)	Group Home (If Applicable)

<b>Receipt</b>
(ILP Use Only)

## Get a Driver License or CA Identification

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### How to apply for a driver license if you are over 18

If you are a visitor in California over 18 and have a valid driver license from your home state or country, you may drive in this state without getting a California driver license as long as your home state license remains valid.

If you take a job here or become a resident, you must get a California driver license within 10 days. Residency is established by voting in a California election, paying resident tuition, filing for a homeowner's property tax exemption, or any other privilege or benefit not ordinarily extended to nonresidents.

To apply for an original driver license if you are over 18, you will need to do the following:

- Visit a [DMV office](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc_fo.htm) - [http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc\\_fo.htm](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc_fo.htm) ([make an appointment](#) for faster service)
- Complete application form DL 44 (An original DL 44 form must be submitted. Copies will not be accepted.)
- Give a thumb print
- Have your picture taken
- Provide your [social security number](#). It will be verified with the Social Security Administration while you are in the office.
- Verify your [birth date and legal presence](#)
- Provide your [true full name](#)
- Pay the application [fee](#) - \$35.00
- Pass a [vision exam](#)
- Pass a traffic laws and sign test. There are 36 questions on the test. You have three chances to pass. ([Sample Test](#) - <http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/interactive/tdrive/exam.htm>)

**Note:** To allow you sufficient time for testing DMV will not be administering written or audio exams after 4:30 p.m.

You will then be issued a permit if you have never been licensed before. When you practice, you must have an accompanying adult who is 18 years of age or older, with a valid California license. This person must be close enough to you to take control of the vehicle if necessary. It is illegal for you to drive alone.

If you have a license from another country, you will be required to take a driving test. If you have a license from another state, the driving test can be waived.

To take your driving test, you will need to:

- Call a DMV office to set up an appointment. (Driving tests are not given without an appointment. Call 1-800-777-0133 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday - Friday, to make a driving test appointment.)
- Provide proof of financial responsibility
- [California Insurance Requirements](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/faq/genfaq.htm#BM2553) can be found at <http://www.dmv.ca.gov/faq/genfaq.htm#BM2553>

You have three chances to pass the driving test. If you fail, you may practice for a while, then make another appointment. There is no waiting period, but you must make an appointment. If you fail to successfully complete the driving test on the first attempt, you must pay a \$5 fee for each additional driving test that is administered under an application for an original or renewal driver license.

After you pass your driving test you will be issued an interim license valid for 60 days until you receive your new photo license in the mail. Double-check your address before you leave DMV and tell the DMV representative if you have moved or if your address is incorrect. If you have not received your license after 60 days, call 1-800-777-0133 and they can check on the status for you. Have your interim license with you to provide information when requested.

If your name is different on your birth date and/or legal presence document than the one you are currently using, you will also need to provide an additional acceptable document to establish your true full name, such as; a marriage certificate, dissolution of marriage, adoption or name change document that shows your current name.

### **How to apply for a provisional permit if you are under 18**

To apply for a provisional permit, you will need the following:

- Be at least 15 ½, but under 18 years of age
- Visit a [DMV office](#) ([make an appointment](#) for faster service)
- Complete the application form DL 44 (An original DL 44 form must be submitted. Copies obtained by xeroxing, faxing, or other methods will not be accepted.)
- Have your [parents' or guardians' signatures](#) on the application form DL 44
- Give a thumb print
- Have your picture taken
- Provide your [social security number](#). It will be verified with the Social Security Administration while you are in the office.
- Verify your [birth date and legal presence](#)
- Provide your [true full name](#)
- Submit the proper form(s) for driver education and/or driver training classes (See below for details.)
- Pay the application [fee](#) (This fee entitles you to three exams of any type within the 12-month period and pays for both the instruction permit and the driver

license. If all requirements are not met within the 12-month period, the application becomes void and **all** steps must be completed again.)

- Pass a [vision exam](#)
- Pass a [traffic laws](#) and sign test. There are 46 questions on the test. A passing score is at least 39 correct answers. You have three chances to pass the test. If you fail, you must wait 7 days before taking it again.

**Note:** To allow you sufficient time for testing DMV will not be administering written or audio exams after 4:30 p.m.

### **Driver Education and Driver Training Form Requirements**

If you are 15 ½ to 17 ½ years of age, you will need to provide proof that you:

- Completed driver education (Form DL 387 or OL 237) and are taking driver training (DL 392 or OL 392)

**OR**

- Completed driver education and driver training (DL 387, DL 388, DL 388A, OL 237, or OL 238).

**OR**

- Are enrolled and participating in an approved integrated driver education/driver training program (DL 400).

**If you are over 17 ½ but under 18 years of age, you may get your permit without the driver education and driver training certificates however, you will not be able to take the driving test until you turn 18.**

Once you pass your written test, you will be issued a provisional permit.

A parent, guardian, spouse or adult 25 years of age or older, who has a valid California driver license, must be with you when you drive. He or she must sit in a position close enough to take control of the vehicle, if necessary. **It is illegal for you to drive alone at any time.**

**Before being eligible to take your driving test you must:**

- Be 16 years old

**AND**

- Have held your permit for a minimum of six months

**AND**

- Have completed driver education

**AND**

- Have completed 6 hours of professional driver training

**AND**

- Have completed 50 hours of practice with an adult 25 years or older. The adult must have a valid California driver license and certify to the 50 hours of practice. At least 10 of the 50 hours must have been done at night.

To take your driving test, you will need to:

- Call a DMV office to set up an appointment. (Driving tests are not given without an appointment. Call 1-800-777-0133 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday - Friday, to make a driving test appointment.)
- Provide [proof of financial responsibility](#)

After you pass your driving test you will be issued an interim license valid for 60 days until you receive your new photo license in the mail. Check your address before you leave DMV and tell the DMV representative if you have moved or if your address is incorrect. If you have not received your license after 60 days, call 1-800-777-0133 to check on the status. Have your interim license with you to provide information when requested.

If you fail your driving test, you must wait two weeks before you can take the test again. You have three chances to pass.

If driver education and driver training were taken in a state other than California, DMV will accept either a To Secondary Schools Other Than California Schools form DL 33 completed by the out-of state school, or a letter on the out-of state school's stationery signed by a school official stating that the courses are equivalent to California's requirements. Instructional permits issued by another state are not acceptable proof.

## How to apply for or renew an identification (ID) card

DMV issues two types of ID cards. A regular ID card valid for six years, and a senior citizen ID card valid for 10 years. To qualify for a senior citizen ID card, you must be age 62 or older.

To apply for an ID card you will need to do the following:

- Visit a [DMV office](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc_fo.htm) - [http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc\\_fo.htm](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/fo/offices/toc_fo.htm) ([make an appointment](#) for faster service)
- Complete application form DL 44 (An original DL 44 form must be submitted. Copies will not be accepted.)
- Give a thumb print
- Have your picture taken
- Provide your [social security number](#). It will be verified with the Social Security Administration while you are in the office.
- Verify your [birth date and legal presence](#) (you may use your California driver license)
- Pay the application [fee](#) \$30.00 (No fee for a senior citizen ID card.)

Check your address before you leave DMV and tell the DMV representative if your address is incorrect. Your new ID will be mailed to you within 60 days. If you have not received your ID after 60 days, call 1-800-777-0133 to check the status. Have your receipt and/or old ID card with you to provide information when requested.

DMV will exchange a valid license for a no-fee ID card to drivers who are no longer able to drive safely because of a physical or mental condition. Please call your [local DMV](#) for additional information.

To renew your ID card, you will need to:

- Visit a [DMV office](#) ([make an appointment](#) for faster service)
- Complete application form DL 44. (An original DL 44 form must be submitted. Copies will not be accepted.)
- Give a thumb print
- Have your picture taken
- Pay the application [fee](#) \$30.00 (No fee for a senior citizen ID card.)

Double check your address before you leave DMV and tell the DMV representative if your address is incorrect. Your new ID will be mailed to you within 60 days. If you have not received your ID after 60 days, call 1-800-777-0133 and they can check on the status for you. Have your receipt and/or old ID card with you to provide information when requested.

(Note: The above information can be found on the Internet at [http://www.dmv.ca.gov/dl/dl\\_info.htm#2500](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/dl/dl_info.htm#2500))