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Schoharie County DMV provides an explanation on REAL ID requirements

DMV offices across the state are serving a record number of people, due to the upcoming implementation of Real ID requirements. Schoharie County is experiencing the same increase in customers. Let us help you make your experience better when utilizing the DMV.

First, it is not mandatory that you have Real ID compliant identification. This requirement is only if you want to fly domestically or enter Federal Buildings on or after May 7, 2025. Federal buildings closest to Schoharie are in Albany and Syracuse. All Schoharie County Office buildings can still be accessed.

- If your current driver license or non-driver ID has a Star or a Flag, you already HAVE the identification needed for this change.
- If you have a current Passport book or card, you already HAVE the identification needed for the change.

~ YOU DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING ~

If you have just the standard driver or non-driver identification and want to upgrade to be compliant with Real ID, save yourself some time and be sure to bring the following with you to the DMV:

1. Certified birth certificate (raised seal; signed by registrar) or your non-expired passport.
2. Proof of social security number such as your social security card, 1099 or W-2.
3. Your current license or non-driver ID, and a completed application form # MV-44.
4. All documents allowing for any name changes you've had since birth such as marriage license, divorce, or court documents. These must be originals or Certified Copies.
5. Sufficient Proof of Address – (Bring 2) A bank statement and a utility bill are the most common. Your Residential address cannot be a P.O. Box.

Visit the NYS DMV website for a complete list of all document options: www.dmv.ny.gov
The Schoharie County DMV serves people on a walk-in basis, with no appointments necessary. Because of the time needed to process a Real ID or Enhanced Document, we do not start these transactions after 4pm, as we close at 4:30.

Nice weather is right around the corner, and we are traditionally busier due to trailers, boats and motorcycles. It is highly recommended that you start working on these transactions now.

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