

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

THE REAL ID ACT OF 2005 WILL IMPACT NH RESPONDERS ATTENDING TRAINING
AT EMI, NFA AND CDP CAMPUSES EFFECTIVE **OCTOBER 10, 2015**

The campuses of the Emergency Management Institute and National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD and the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, AL will be requiring students attending their campuses to have on their person identification that meets the standards set by the REAL ID Act of 2005.

What is the Real ID Act?

This is a Federal Law to improve the reliability and accuracy of state-issued identification documents by developing standards for those documents. The purpose of the law is to inhibit the ability of terrorists to evade detection by using fraudulent identification. A standard driver's license from the following States/Territories does **NOT** comply with the standards set by this Act:

- American Samoa
- Louisiana
- Minnesota
- **New Hampshire**
- New York

How does it affect NH citizens?

A driver's license issued by the State of NH does **NOT** comply with the Real ID law and so **cannot** be used as an acceptable form of ID when visiting federal facilities or taking courses offered by federal agencies at their facilities.

What *can* NH citizens use for valid identification? (see attached examples)

- ✓ U.S. Passport or Card
- ✓ Federally-issued Personal Identification Verification (PIV) Card
- ✓ U.S. Military ID
- ✓ Veterans Health Identification Card
- ✓ U.S. Refugee Travel Document (Form I-327 or I-571)
- ✓ U.S. Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551)

- ✓ U.S. Certificate of Naturalization or Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-550)
- ✓ Border Crossing Card (Form DSP-150)
- ✓ DHS “Trusted Traveler” Cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST)
- ✓ Merchant Mariner Card (USCG)
- ✓ Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)
- ✓ Driver’s License issued by the U.S. Department of State
- ✓ Enhanced Driver’s License from Minnesota or New York

What if a NH citizen does not have any of the above listed means of identification?

Students who do not possess a valid un-expired US Passport or Passport Card, or federal employee, military, or veteran identification card must submit documentation to the NETC Security Office or the CDP for a National Crime Information Center (NCIC) check, which the individual must pass, before the individual will be allowed unescorted access to the NETC campus. The following information is required by the NETC and CDP to verify criminal history with a NCIC check: person’s full name, date and place of birth, and Social Security Number in a password-protected document **at least three weeks in advance** of the expected arrival on either campus to attend a class. (Note: a valid NCIC check is good for 180 days)

What happens if NH citizens show up for classes or try to visit a federal agency without the Real ID?

Students arriving at the NETC or CDP campuses without a compliant ID or a successful NCIC criminal history check **will be sent home at their own expense** without receiving a stipend reimbursement.

NETC and CDP students already accepted into training for courses beginning after **October 10, 2015**, from New Hampshire will be notified via email of the Real ID Act requirements.

Questions related to NETC campus access identification or the types of permissible identification should be directed to Jane Sentz @ jane.sentz@fema.dhs.gov or 301-447-7207 between the hours of 9:00-4:00 EST. **This contact is for NETC (EMI/NFA) students only.**

The CDP has instituted an additional information block on their online registration system where you will be asked to provide the State that has issued your identification. New Hampshire responders will then be contacted directly by CDP Staff in order to finalize the NCIC requirements.

d) Driver's license issued by the U.S. Department of State



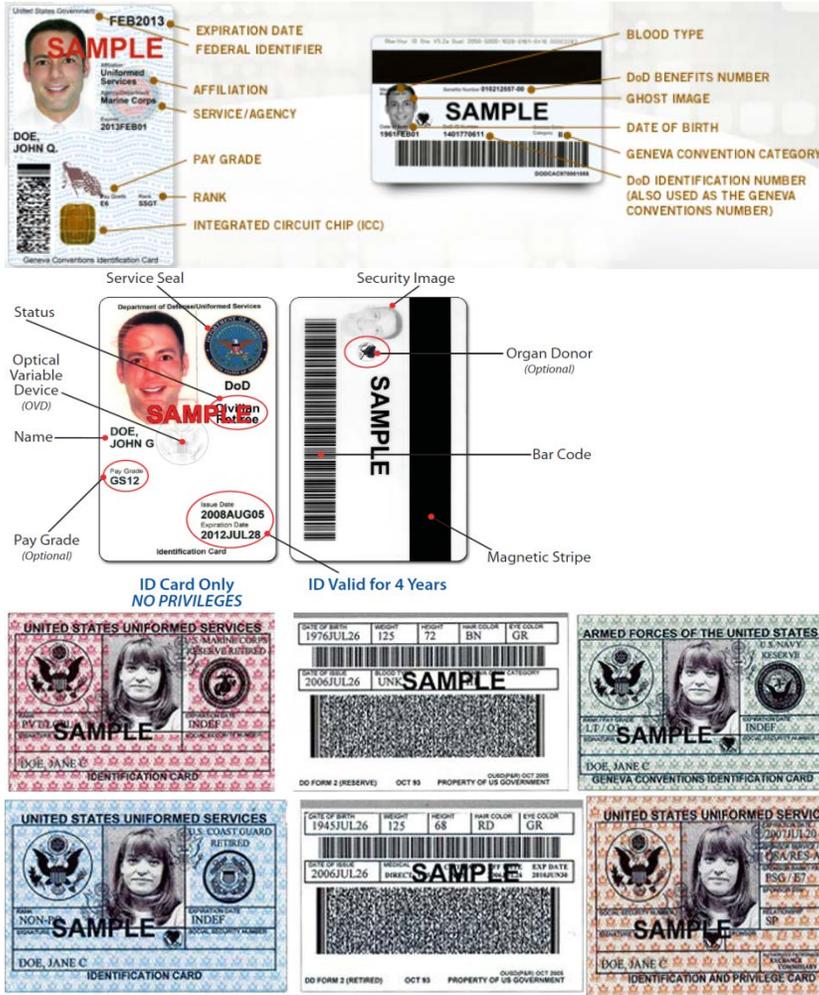
e) Border Crossing Card (Form DSP-150)



f) Department of Homeland Security "Trusted Traveler" Cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST)



g) U.S. Military ID



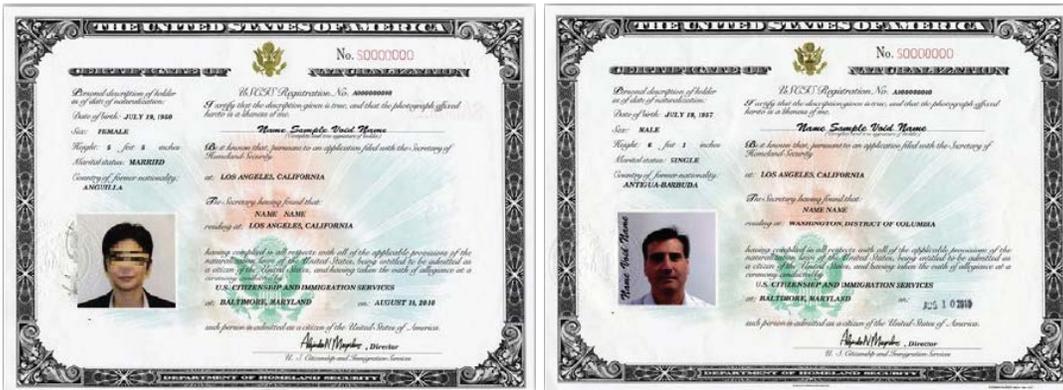
h) Veteran's Health Identification Card issued by the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs



i) U.S. Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551)



j) U.S. Certificate of Naturalization or Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-550)



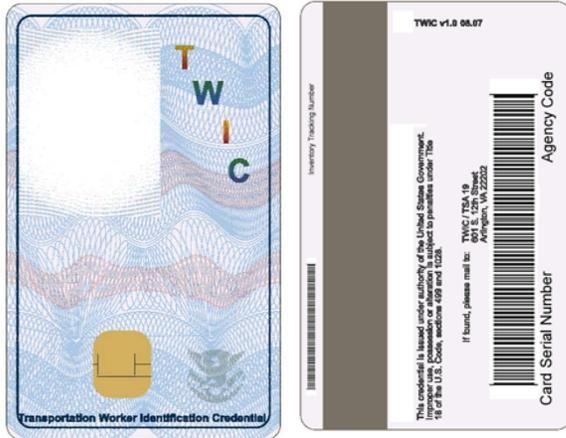
k) Employment Authorization Document issued by Department of Homeland Security (Form I-766)



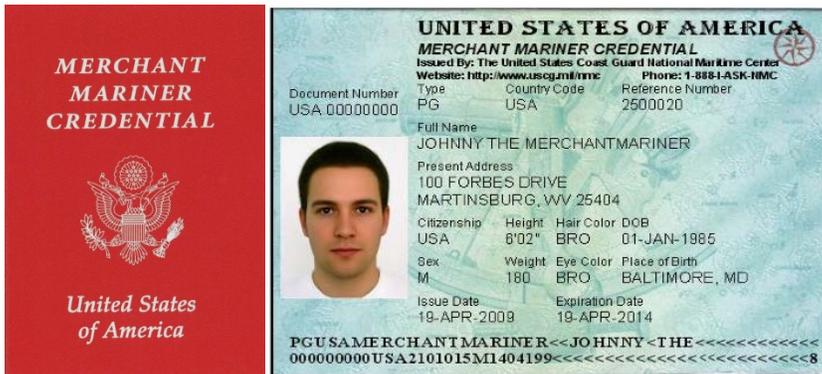
l) U.S. Refugee Travel Document or other travel document of immigration status issued by DHS containing a photograph (Forms I-327 and I-571)



m) TWIC



n) Merchant Marine Card issued by DHS/USCG



2) State-issued Identification

p) State-issued EDLs, which are issued by:

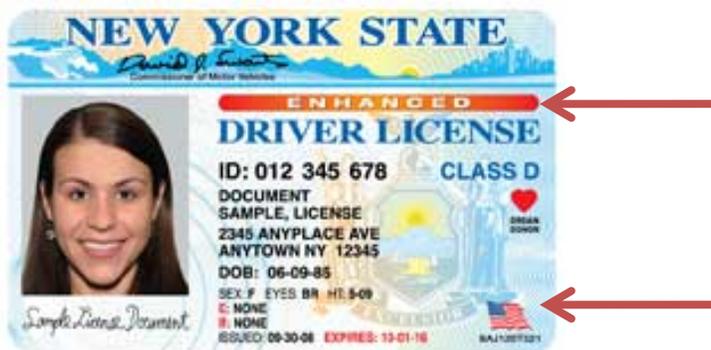
i) Michigan



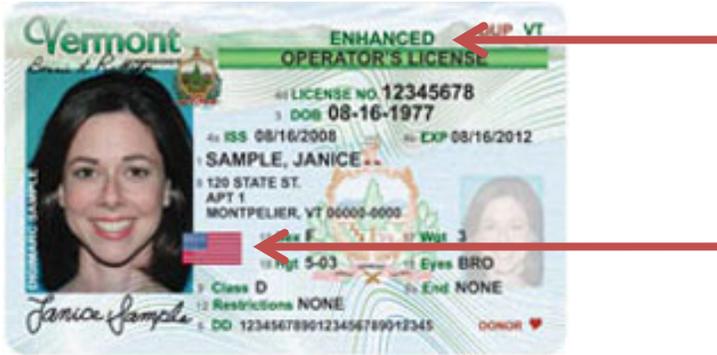
ii) Minnesota



iii) New York



iv) Vermont



v) Washington



3) Other

s) Native American Tribal Photo ID Samples



