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## Apply for Your Original Driving License

Applicants applying for a driving license under AB 60 can now make an [appointment online](#), on the [DMV Now](#) iPhone/ Android applications or by phone at 1-800-777-0133, to visit a DMV office.

**Note:** This appointment should be made as an “Original Driver License.” and is required for all original driving license applications. However, same day service is available at [driver license processing centers \(DLPC\)](#) without an appointment.

Saturday office hours are available at [select offices](#) by appointment exclusively for driving license transactions.

Customers applying for an original driving license will need to do the following:

- Study for the driving license knowledge test
- Make an [appointment](#) before visiting a [DMV office](#) (walk-ins are only accepted at our [Driver License Processing Centers](#))
- Complete a driving license application form (DL 44) available at the DMV office
- Under AB 60, applicants will need to provide DMV with:
  - Proof of identity and California residency (see next page for more information)
- Pass a vision test, knowledge test, and if applicable, a road sign test
- Give a thumb print
- Have a picture taken
- Schedule a future appointment for the behind-the-wheel driving test, if applicable

Applicants under 18 applying for an original driver license will also need to submit proof of driver education completion. For further information about obtaining a new driver license, refer to the California Driver Handbook or visit [www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/dmv/dl/driverhandbooks](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/dmv/dl/driverhandbooks).

## Proof of Identity Requirements

- California driving license or ID card

OR

- Valid Irish passport and social security number/social security card

OR

- Valid Irish passport and Irish birth certificate certified by the Consulate in San Francisco

**In order to obtain a certification of your Irish birth certificate, please submit your original birth certificate, your original passport, and two passport photographs by mail or in person to 100 Pine Street, Ste. 3350, San Francisco, CA 94111 with a cover note detailing your need for a certified copy of your birth certificate.**

## Proof of Residency Requirements

- Rental or lease agreement with the signatures of the owner/landlord and the tenant/resident
- Deeds or titles to residential real property
- Mortgage bills
- Home utility bills including cellular phone bills
- School documents
- Medical documents
- Employment documents
- Faith based documents
- Insurance documents, including medical, dental, vision, life, home, rental, and vehicle
- Internal Revenue Service or California Franchise Tax Board tax returns
- California certificates of vehicle or vessel titles or registrations
- California driving licenses or identification cards
- Change of address confirmations by the US Postal Service (Form CNL 107)
- Federal government-issued documents
- A property tax bill or statement
- Records of financial institution
- Court documents that list the applicant as a resident of California
- A letter, on letterhead from a homeless shelter, a shelter for abused women, a nonprofit entity, a faith based organization, an employer, or a government within the US attesting that the applicant resides in California
- A parent, legal guardian, or child may use a birth certificate and a spouse or domestic partner may use a marriage license or domestic partner registration certificate to trace his or her relationship to the individual to whom one of the above residency documents has been addressed