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POLICY

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Historically, the department has accepted all standard out-of-state driver's licenses to satisfy the requirement set forth in Idaho 49-306(3)(d) that an applicant prove their identity when applying for an Idaho driver's license.

Recently, however, many states have begun to offer their residents "driver privilege" cards, which are intended for the sole purpose of permitting an individual to lawfully operate a motor vehicle and not for official identification. In these cases, applicants' identities are not fully vetted and the cards explicitly note that the credential is limited. As such, these out-of-state cards should not be accepted as proof of identity. An applicant surrendering one of these credentials will be required to provide additional proof of identity (such as a birth certificate or passport) to obtain an Idaho driver's license. Applicants who surrender one of these credentials will still be exempt from passing a skills exam.

Note: Only the specific credentials described below are insufficient in proving identity. Not all credentials from these states are unacceptable.

State	Card Language	Sample
California	"Federal Limits apply" - Called an AB60 license.	
Colorado	"Not valid for federal identification, voting or public benefit purposes"	
Connecticut	"Not for federal identification"	
Delaware	"Driving privilege only – Not valid for identification"	