Know Before You Go

Real ID:
October 1, 2021

Is Your License Ready to Fly?

Starting October 1, 2021, the U.S. Federal Government will require anyone boarding an airplane for domestic travel or entering certain federal buildings to have a "verified" driver's license, state-issued ID card or be required to show additional proof of identification, such as a passport. This federal law is known as "REAL ID."

This verification is indicated on your license or ID card by a gold star in the top right corner.

You NEED a REAL ID if:

- You do **not** have a valid U.S. passport or passport card; AND
- You fly domestically;
- You visit military bases;
- You visit secure federal facilities.

Check Your License or ID for a Gold Star You May Already be Real ID Verified.

You'll need verification documents check at: ct.gov/dmv/REALID

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