Is Your License Ready to Fly?

Starting May 3, 2023, 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