

Acceptable Forms of Identification



During the USAccess credentialing process, you will need to validate your identity with the Registrar. You must present two (2) acceptable forms of identification during your enrollment appointment. One ID must be one of items 1 through 5 in the list below (Primary ID). The other ID may be any of the forms of ID listed below (Primary or Secondary ID types).

Primary Forms of Identification (Items 1 through 5)	14. US Citizen ID Card (Form 1-197)
U.S. Passport (unexpired) or U.S. Passport card (unexpired)	15. Unexpired foreign passport, with I-551 stamp or attached Form I-94 indicating unexpired employment authorization
Driver's license or ID card issued by a state or possession of the United States provided it contains a photograph (unexpired)	16. ID Card for use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179)
3. U.S. Military ID card (unexpired)	17. Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card with photograph (Form I-151 or I-1551)
4. U.S. Military dependant's ID card (unexpired)	18. Certification of Birth or Certification of Report of Birth issued by the Department of State (Form FS-545 or Form DS-1350)
5. Department of Defense Common Access Card (CAC) (unexpired)	19. Unexpired Temporary Resident Card (Form I-688)
Secondary Forms of Identification (Items 6 through 27)	20. Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (Form I-688A)
U.S. Social Security Card issued by the Social Security Administration	21. Unexpired Reentry Permit (Form I-327)
7. Original or certified copy of a birth certificate issued by a state, county, municipal authority, or outlying possession of the United States bearing an official seal	22. Unexpired Refugee Travel Document (Form I-571)
8. ID card issued by federal, state, or local government agencies or entities, provided it contains a photograph	23. Unexpired employment authorization document issued by DHS
9. School ID with photograph	24. Unexpired Employment Authorization Document issued by DHS with photograph (Form I-688B)
10. Voter's registration card	25. Driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority
11. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner card	26. Native American tribal document
12. Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561)	27. Unexpired Employment Authorization Document (EAD) Form I-766
13. Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570)	







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For example, the following are all acceptable combinations of ID that will successfully validate your identity:

Example 1:

- a. Virginia State Driver's license (from Primary list, item 2)
- b. US Social Security Card (from Secondary list, item 6)

Example 2:

- a. US Passport (unexpired) (from Primary list, item 1)
- b. Maryland State Driver's license (from Primary list, item 2)

Example 3:

- a. US Military ID Card (from Primary list, item 3)
- b. Department of State ID Card (from Secondary list, item 8)

Linking Documents

The only time identity source documents with different names can be accepted is when an official linking document such as a marriage certificate, certified copy of birth certificate, or court record can be provided linking the two names.

The linking document must have both the former and current legal names on it and both the primary and secondary documents must be valid and not expired.

For example, a married woman may use both a current driver's license with her married name, and a certified copy of her birth certificate with her maiden name, as primary and secondary sources of identification as long as she brings a linking document, her marriage license, with both her maiden name and married name on it.

When a linking document is presented, you must scan the document into the Document 3 window.



