



Back of License



NOTE: Common back applies to all Driver Licenses and Identification cards

- The back of the license includes the class of license, restrictions and endorsements specific to the card holder.
- The living will and power of attorney indicators are on the back of the card.
- The 18th and 21st birthday are printed on the back of all cards issued to someone under 21.
- A 2-dimensional barcode is included on the back of the card.

New vertical orientation for quick verification of age.



Restricted Minor Permit



Minor Identification Card

- State identification cards will include all the same security features as the driver licenses.

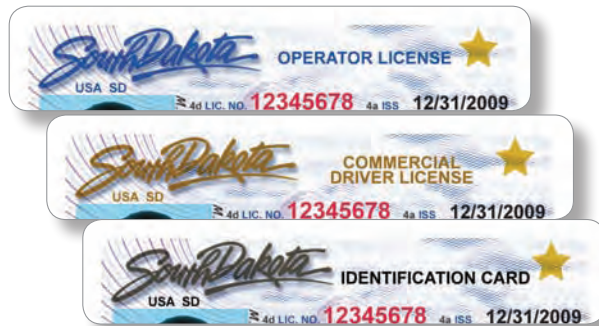
- Mount Rushmore is in the background of the card.
- A ghost image of the driver's photo is in the lower right corner of the card.
- The DL/ID number is in red.
- If the card holder has designated wishes to be an organ donor the word "Donor" is written in red letters.

Barcode

- The back of the license includes two types of barcodes.
- 1D Barcode contains material management inventory number.
- 2D Barcode contains all information on the front of the license except photo and signature

The South Dakota Driver Licensing Program has implemented a design change in driver licenses and non-driver identification cards. The new driver license has some of the features of the previous card including:

- Red header for under 21 driver licenses and ID cards.
- Green header for under 21 restricted permits.
- Blue header for over 21 operator license.
- Gray header for over 21 non-driver ID card.
- Gold header for over 21 Commercial Driver License.
- The under 21 licenses include a message showing the date the applicant turns 21. The words "Under 21" are printed to the right of the photo; The last two digits of the year the applicant turns 21 are in red on the top right of the ghost portrait.
- The Governor's name is on the card to the right of the portrait.



New Look & Security Features

In December 2009, the South Dakota Department of Public Safety will begin to issue Driver Licenses and Identification Cards with a new look and security features. It will take approximately 5 years for all motorists to receive the new format of driver licenses. All driver licenses, permits, and identification cards issued with the current format will remain valid until the document's expiration date.

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Driver License and ID Card



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