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**ADVISORY 2009-11**

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To: All County Boards of Elections

Re: New Ohio Driver's License and Identification Cards

This Secretary of State advisory serves as notice to county boards of elections regarding Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) format changes to the Ohio driver's license (DL) and identification (ID) cards.

The new format on the card(s) includes several notable changes in appearance and includes additional security features. Changes include the following:

- The license has been changed to a salmon color.
- The design now includes the addition of a State of Ohio outline logo which indicates the type of card (e.g., driver's license, commercial driver license, temporary instruction permit, and/or identification card).
- The main photo now appears in the top left-hand corner.
- A photo ghost image appears on the right side of the card.
- The individual's information lines are now numbered to assist law enforcement.
- There is no longer a "table of contents" on the back of the DL or ID with the entire list of driving restrictions. Only restrictions applying to the individual are listed and will be abbreviated. If the individual has no driving restrictions, no restrictions will be listed on the back of the DL. This change occurred in November 2008 as part of an initial round of changes.
- The magnetic strip will now identify males or females with a designation of 1 or 2 respectively.

In preparation for upcoming and future poll workers training, and to ensure that boards of elections and poll workers are aware of the new format, the Secretary of State's office has included samples of the newly formatted driver's license and identification cards in the updated **Addendum No. 2 to Directive 2008-80 Examples of Ohio and Military Identification Cards**. A copy of the addendum is provided with this advisory.

All county boards of elections should provide information on the updated DL and ID card format in their instructions to their poll workers. All counties must provide a copy of the updated addendum in their polling place supplies.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the elections administrators at 614-466-2585.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Brunner".

Jennifer Brunner

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**Examples of Ohio driver's license and state ID card:**

As discussed in Directive 2008-80, an Ohio driver's license or state ID card may be used to prove a voter's identity for the purpose of voting in Ohio.

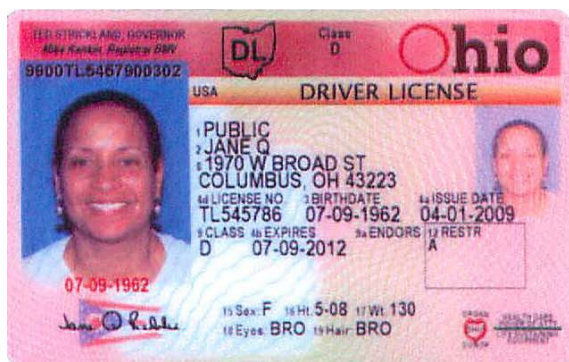
An example of an Ohio driver's license follows:



**Please note that there are two numbers on an Ohio driver's license.** The **required** number is the number located on the **left hand side** of the ID under the phrase "LICENSE NO." The correct number actually begins with letters. In the image above, the correct number is "IM18," not the number above the photograph.

If an **absentee voter provides the number above his or her picture and not the driver's license number**, the board must notify the voter of such error by telephone or in writing, within two business days of receiving the application or voted ballot. The voter so notified must be permitted to appear in person at the office of the board to provide the correct information. In the case of a returned absent voter's ballot, the voter shall have until the tenth day after the election to provide this information to enable his or her ballot to be counted.

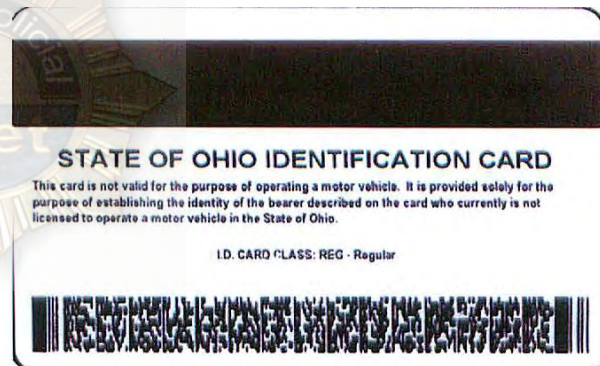
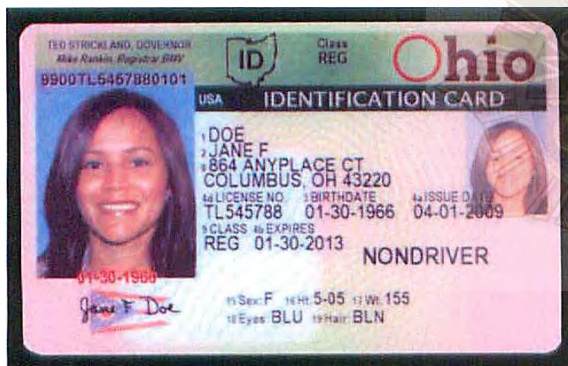
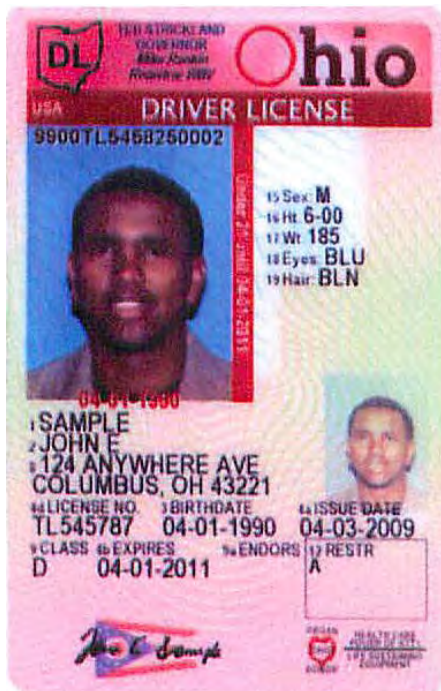
Beginning in April 2009, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles began to issue state driver licenses and state identification cards in a new format. The **new format includes notable changes** in appearance than the previous format shown above. The background color of the card is now salmon and the main photo appear on the left-hand side with the ghost image on the right. Examples of the new format appear below:





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**Examples of Military IDs:**

As discussed in Directive 2008-80, there are three types of military ID issued by the U.S. Department of Defense that are acceptable for voting in Ohio:

- Common Access Card ("CAC");
- DD Form 2; and
- DD Form 1173.

Samples of the various CACs are available for viewing at the following Web addresses:



- [cac.mil/CardInfoGeneva1.html](http://cac.mil/CardInfoGeneva1.html)
- [cac.mil/CardInfoGeneva2.html](http://cac.mil/CardInfoGeneva2.html)
- [cac.mil/CardInfoPrivelege.html](http://cac.mil/CardInfoPrivelege.html)
- [cac.mil/CardInfoidentification.html](http://cac.mil/CardInfoidentification.html)

Samples of the most common DD Form 2 and DD Form 1173 are set forth below:


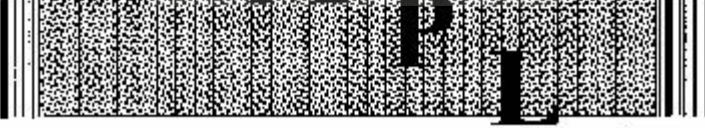


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IDENTIFICATION CARD

DATE OF BIRTH	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	HAIR COLOR	EYE COLOR
				
DATE OF ISSUE	MEDICAL			
				
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		SERVICE
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SIGNATURE		
IDENTIFICATION CARD		
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PROPERTY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, IF FOUND, DROP IN NEAREST U. S. MAIL BOX.		POSTMASTER: RETURN TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D. C.		



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<b>S</b> PHOTOGRAPH 1" X 1 1/4"	1. CARD NUMBER		<b>A</b>
	2. ISSUE DATE	3. EXPIRATION DATE	
	4. EMPLOYER (Typed name and relationship)		
	5. COLOR EYES	6. COLOR HAIR	7. HEIGHT
9. DATE OF BIRTH OF BEARER		10. GRADE AND NAME OF SPONSOR	
11. SERVICE & STATUS OF SPONSOR	12. SERVICE NO. OF SPONSOR	13. AUTHORIZED PATRONAGE	
		THEATER COMMISSARY	EXCHANGE UNLIMITED
			<b>E</b> 14. SIGNATURE


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	17. ISSUING OFFICER	SIGNATURE		
		TYPED NAME AND GRADE		
WARNING: USE OF THIS AUTHORIZATION BY OTHER THAN PERSON NAMED THEREON, OR ANY USE IN VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF DEPENDENTS' MEDICAL CARE ACT OF 1968 RENDERES USER LIABLE FOR PROSECUTION UNDER APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAWS PERTAINING TO FALSE STATEMENT (78 USC 1201)		IF FOUND - DROP IN ANY MAIL BOX POSTMASTER - RETURN TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20315		
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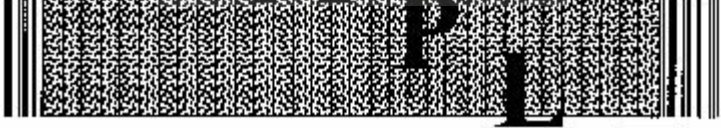
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SIGNATURE	SPONSOR	RELATIONSHIP
		AUTHORIZED PATRIOTIC EXCHANGE COMMISSARY

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