Violation of a Restriction

The Driver License Office charges a minimum fee of $6.25 to access your driver license record – this includes all questions, research, and all transactions.

Your driving privilege has been suspended because you were caught in violation of a restriction on your license. Standard suspension time periods are listed below.

- First violation: none; you get a warning letter
- Second violation: 30 day
- Third violation: 90 day
- Fourth violation: 1 year

If you are caught violating a hardship license restriction (C or D) and your driving privilege is still under suspension or revocation for the offense that warranted the hardship license, your driving privilege will be re-revoked or re-suspended for “Reinstatement Rescinded” until the expiration date of the sanction in question. (A warning letter or suspension for violation of restriction will not be issued.)

You have two options to remove this suspension from your license:

☐ #1 WAIT OUT THE SUSPENSION PERIOD – Once the expiration date has passed, you would need to pay the $51.25 reinstatement fee. (This fee is charged for each suspension.)

☐ #2 APPLY TO BAR FOR EARLY REINSTATEMENT – If you do not want to wait out the suspension period, you can contact the Bureau of Administrative Review (BAR) to find out if you are eligible for a hardship license and request a hearing. If BAR approves your application for a hardship license you will be issued a driver license with a specific restriction and it will be mailed from Central Issuance in Tallahassee. Our office cannot advise you whether or not you are eligible for a hardship license.

If BAR refers you to our office after they have approved your application for a hardship license, an appointment will be required to process your transaction. Our office can issue the license, provided BAR has indicated on your record that you have been authorized and the specific restriction that must be added. In this case, you would be required to pay the $51.25 reinstatement fee to our office at the time of issuance. (This fee is charged for each suspension.) Visit taxcollector.com to schedule an appointment.

Need to replace or renew your license?

You will be required to pay an additional $25 to $48 at the time of reinstatement and you must submit documents that establish your identity pursuant to the Real ID Act (e.g. US birth certificate, US passport, USCIS/INS documents, proof of name change(s), Social Security Card and 2 proofs of residential address) unless you already have a Real ID compliant Florida driver license. For a complete list of acceptable identity documents, visit flhsmv.gov/whattobring.

✓ Check the status of your license at https://services.flhsmv.gov/DLCheck/!

Not a Manatee County resident? Our offices are open to the public by appointment only for Manatee County residents/businesses. All out-of-county residents must visit their home county for processing.