



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 20.00 Duplicate License/Identification Card

Section: 1. Issuance of Driver's License

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[R.S. 32:413](#)

[R.S. 40:1321](#)

To view Louisiana Statutes: <http://www.legis.state.la.us/>

Definition: A duplicate license or identification card may be issued when license or identification card has been lost, stolen, or mutilated.

Requirements:

- Proper identification as outlined in Section I, Policy 6.0 "Identification Requirements" must be presented unless the applicant can be identified through the Department's Photo Retrieve program. See exceptions listed below.
- If the license will expire within 90 days, the transaction must be processed as a renewal.
- If the license will expire within 180 days, the applicant has the option to renew.

Exceptions:

- If an applicant eighteen years of age or over applies for a duplicate Louisiana driver's license or identification card and a photo image exists under the Photo Retrieve Program and the applicant is clearly identified, no other identification is required.
- If an applicant under the age of eighteen applies for a duplicate Louisiana driver's license and a photo image does exist under the Photo Retrieve Program and the applicant is clearly identified, the signature of the custodial parent or legal guardian is required prior to issuance.
- If an applicant seventeen years of age applies for a duplicate Louisiana Identification card and a photo image exists under the Photo Retrieve Program and the applicant is clearly identified, the credential can be issued without the custodial parent/guardian's signature.

Fees

- A duplicate fee, as outlined in Section I Policy 2.0, will be charged for the issuance of a duplicate license/identification card. The duplicate fee also applies to applicants over 70 years of age.

Related Policies

Section 1, Policy [6.00 Identification Requirements](#)

Section 1, Policy [2.00 Fees and Duration of License / ID Card](#)

Section 1, Policy [5.00 License Under Suspension or Revocation](#)

Section 1, Policy [26.00 Photo Retakes](#)