

Trans Refuge Data and Sources

Shield Law:

Ranked as TRUE or FALSE

State	State Code	Shield Law	Shield Law Source
Alabama	AL	FALSE	
Alaska	AK	FALSE	
Arizona	AZ	TRUE	EO 2023-12
Arkansas	AR	FALSE	
California	CA	TRUE	SB107
Colorado	CO	TRUE	SB23-188
Connecticut	CT	TRUE	HB5506
Delaware	DE	FALSE	
Florida	FL	FALSE	
Georgia	GA	FALSE	
Hawai'i	HI	FALSE	
Idaho	ID	FALSE	
Illinois	IL	TRUE	HB4664
Indiana	IN	FALSE	
Iowa	IA	FALSE	
Kansas	KS	FALSE	
Kentucky	KY	FALSE	
Louisiana	LA	FALSE	
Maine	ME	FALSE	
Maryland	MD	TRUE	EO 01.01.2023.08
Massachusetts	MA	TRUE	H5090
Michigan	MI	FALSE	
Minnesota	MN	TRUE	HF146 EO 23-03
Mississippi	MS	FALSE	
Missouri	MO	FALSE	
Montana	MT	FALSE	
Nebraska	NE	FALSE	
Nevada	NV	FALSE	
New Hampshire	NH	FALSE	
New Jersey	NJ	TRUE	EO 326
New Mexico	NM	TRUE	SB13
New York	NY	TRUE	S2475B

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North Carolina	NC	FALSE	
North Dakota	ND	FALSE	
Ohio	OH	FALSE	
Oklahoma	OK	FALSE	
Oregon	OR	TRUE	HB2002
Pennsylvania	PA	FALSE	
Rhode Island	RI	FALSE	
South Carolina	SC	FALSE	
South Dakota	SD	FALSE	
Tennessee	TN	FALSE	
Texas	TX	FALSE	
Utah	UT	FALSE	
Vermont	VT	TRUE	H89
Virginia	VA	FALSE	
Washington	WA	TRUE	HB1469
West Virginia	WV	FALSE	
Wisconsin	WI	FALSE	
Wyoming	WY	FALSE	

Gender Marker Change on ID:

Ranked as follows:

- [-1] State has a negative targeted law, gender marker change is not possible, or is extremely limited
- [-1] State requires surgery
- [-1] State requires a court order or amended birth certificate
- [0] State has confusing or unclear process, which requires some form of medical transition and/or provider documentation from a limited range of providers. Does not require surgery
- [0.5] Clear process that requires provider documentation, but allows for a broad range of providers, and does not require any medical transition
- [1] Accessible process that does not require provider documentation

Gender Marker Options: TRUE applies to any options outside of "M" or "F" (typically "X")

State	State Code	Gender Marker Change ID-Adult Rank	Gender Marker Change ID-Adult Source	Gender Marker Change ID-Minor	Gender Marker Change ID-Minor Source	Gender Marker Options- ID	Gender Options-ID Source
Alabama	AL	0	aclu court case	0	aclu court case	FALSE	
Alaska	AK	0.5	alaska DMV form	0.5	alaska DMV form	FALSE	
Arizona	AZ	0	NCTE	0	NCTE	FALSE	

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Arkansas	AR	1	NCTE	1	NCTE	TRUE	News article
California	CA	1	gender category request form	1	gender category request form	TRUE	SB179 gender category request form
Colorado	CO	1	DMV Instructions	0.5	DMV Instructions	TRUE	CDOR FAQ
Connecticut	CT	1	DMV Form	1	DMV Form	TRUE	DMV Form
Delaware	DE	0.5	DMV Form	0.5	DMV Form	FALSE	
Florida	FL	-1	News article Jan24	-1	News article Jan24	FALSE	
Georgia	GA	-1	GA DDS	-1	GA DDS	FALSE	
Hawai'i	HI	1	HV1163 HD2	1	HV1163 HD2	TRUE	HIDOT guidance
Idaho	ID	0	DMV form	0	DMV form	FALSE	DMV form
Illinois	IL	1	ILSOS	1	ILSOS	TRUE	Gender designation form
Indiana	IN	0.5	Indiana BMV	0.5	Indiana BMV	TRUE	State Form 55617
Iowa	IA	-1	Iowa Administrative Code 601.5(7)	-1	Iowa Administrative Code 601.5(7)	FALSE	Iowa Administrative Code 601.5(7)
Kansas	KS	-1	KS DOV KS SB 180	-1	KS DOV KS SB 180	FALSE	
Kentucky	KY	-1	DriveKY FAQ KY Acceptable Documents	-1	DriveKY FAQ KY Acceptable Documents	FALSE	
Louisiana	LA	0	OMV Form and Guidance PDF of OMV Guidance	0	OMV Form and Guidance PDF of OMV Guidance	FALSE	
Maine	ME	1	Maine BMV Form	1	Maine BMV Form	TRUE	Maine BMV Form
Maryland	MD	1	MVA Guidance	1	MVA Guidance	TRUE	MVA Guidance
Massachusetts	MA	1	Mass Gov Press Release	1	Mass Gov Press Release	TRUE	Mass Gov Press Release RMV form
Michigan	MI	1	Michigan Legal Help	1	Michigan Legal Help	TRUE	SOS Form
Minnesota	MN	1	MN DPS DVS	1	MN DPS DVS	TRUE	OutfrontMN
Mississippi	MS	-1	AP News	-1	AP News	FALSE	
Missouri	MO	0.5	Gender Designation Request Form	0.5	Gender Designation Request Form	FALSE	Gender Designation Request Form
Montana	MT	1	MLSA TransForm	1	MLSA TransForm	FALSE	MLSA TransForm
Nebraska	NE	0	DMV Form	0	DMV Form	FALSE	DMV Form

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Nevada	NV	1	NAC 483.070 NV DMV	1	NAC 483.070 NV DMV	TRUE	NV DMV
New Hampshire	NH	1	NH DMV	1	NH DMV	TRUE	NH HB669 2019
New Jersey	NJ	1	NJ Trans Information Hub	1	NJ Trans Information Hub	TRUE	NJ DMV Form
New Mexico	NM	1	Sex designation Change Form	1	Sex designation Change Form	TRUE	Sex designation Change Form
New York	NY	1	NYCLU	1	NYCLU	TRUE	DMV Form
North Carolina	NC	0.5	NC DMV Form	0.5	NC DMV Form	FALSE	NC DMV Form
North Dakota	ND	0.5	NCTE	0.5	NCTE	FALSE	Gender Designation Form
Ohio	OH	0.5	OH BMV Form	0.5	OH BMV Form	FALSE	OH BMV Form
Oklahoma	OK	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	
Oregon	OR	1	ODOT Guidance	1	ODOT Guidance	TRUE	NPR
Pennsylvania	PA	1	PA DMV	1	PA DMV	TRUE	PADOT Form
Rhode Island	RI	1	RI DMV	1	RI DMV	TRUE	Gender Designation Form
South Carolina	SC	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	
South Dakota	SD	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	
Tennessee	TN	-1	Advocate Tennessee Code	-1	Advocate Tennessee Code	FALSE	
Texas	TX	-1	TX DPS	-1	TX DPS	FALSE	
Utah	UT	-1	UT Courts	-1	UT Courts	TRUE	Nbc news
Vermont	VT	1	DMV FAQ	1	DMV FAQ	TRUE	DMV Form
Virginia	VA	1	Equality Virginia Guidance	1	Equality Virginia Guidance	TRUE	DMV Form
Washington	WA	1	Dept of Licensing	1	Dept of Licensing	TRUE	Change of Gender Designation
West Virginia	WV	0	Gender Designation Form	0	Gender Designation Form	FALSE	ACLU WV
Wisconsin	WI	0	Wisconsin DOT	0	Wisconsin DOT	FALSE	Trans Law Help Wisconsin
Wyoming	WY	0.5	Gender Designation Change Request	0.5	Gender Designation Change Request	FALSE	Gender Designation Change Request

Gender Marker Change on Birth Certificate:

Ranked as follows:

- [-1] State has a negative targeted law, gender marker change is not possible, or is extremely limited
- [-1] State requires surgery
- [-1] State requires a court order
- [-0.5] State will only issue an amended birth certificate
- [-0.5] State has no specific provision for correcting gender on birth certificates and/or is likely to require a court order
- [0] State has confusing or unclear process, which requires some form of medical transition and/or provider documentation from a limited range of providers. Does not require surgery
- [0.5] Clear process that requires provider documentation, but allows for a broad range of providers, and does not require any medical transition
- [1] Accessible process that does not require provider documentation

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State	State Code	Gender Marker Change BC-Adult Rank	Gender Marker Change BC-Adult Source	Gender Marker Change BC-Minor	Gender Marker Change BC-Minor Source	Gender Marker Options- BC	Gender Options-BC Source
Alabama	AL	-1	ADPH-HS-33	-1	ADPH-HS-33	FALSE	
Alaska	AK	0.5	AK Birth Certificate Request Form NCTE	0.5	AK Birth Certificate Request Form NCTE	FALSE	
Arizona	AZ	-1	AZDHS Form AZDHS Guidance	-1	AZDHS Form AZDHS Guidance	FALSE	
Arkansas	AR	-1	ARDOH	-1	ARDOH	FALSE	
California	CA	1	CA HSC	1	CA HSC	TRUE	CA HSC
Colorado	CO	1	CDPHE	0.5	Sex designation form	TRUE	Sex designation form
Connecticut	CT	0.5	CT DPH	0.5	CT DPH Minor	TRUE	CT DPH Adult Form
Delaware	DE	0.5	DHSS 16 DE Admin. Code 4205	0.5	DHSS	FALSE	
Florida	FL	0.5	Florida Health	0.5	Florida Name Change	FALSE	
Georgia	GA	-1	GA Code § 31-10-23 (2022) GA Legal Aid	-1	GA Code § 31-10-23 (2022)	FALSE	
Hawai'i	HI	0.5	Haw. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 338-17.7(a)(4)(B)	0.5	Hawaii DOH	FALSE	

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Idaho	ID	1	Idaho Vital Records Instructions	1	Idaho Vital Records Instructions	FALSE	
Illinois	IL	1	IL DPH Guidance	1	ILDPH Form	TRUE	ILDPH Form
Indiana	IN	-1	Indiana Legal Services INDOH	-1	Indiana Legal Help	FALSE	
Iowa	IA	0.5	UIOWA Guide	0.5	UIOWA Guide	FALSE	Iowa HHS Form
Kansas	KS	-1	KDHE SB 180	-1	KDHE SB 180	FALSE	
Kentucky	KY	-1	VoteRiders	-1	KY Vital Records Guidance	FALSE	
Louisiana	LA	-1	RS 40:62	-1	RS 40:62	FALSE	
Maine	ME	1	10-146 CMR Ch 16	0.5	10-146 CMR Ch 16	TRUE	10-146 CMR Ch 16
Maryland	MD	0.5	Fact Sheet	0.5	Fact Sheet	FALSE	Fact Sheet
Massachusetts	MA	0.5	Fact Sheet	0.5	Mass Vital Records	FALSE	Affidavit Vital Records
Michigan	MI	1	Application to correct birth record	1	Application to correct birth record	TRUE	Sex designation form
Minnesota	MN	0.5	Requirements to amend gender	0.5	Birth Amendment Packet	FALSE	
Mississippi	MS	-1	SOS MS 3.21.2	-1	SOS MS 3.21.2	FALSE	
Missouri	MO	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	
Montana	MT	-1	Marquez v. State of Montana Gender Designation Form	-1	Montana Law Help	FALSE	
Nebraska	NE	-1	71-604.01	-1	71-604.01	FALSE	
Nevada	NV	1	DHHS Packet	1	DPBH Packet	TRUE	NCTE
New Hampshire	NH	-1	section 5-C:87	-1	section 5-C:87	FALSE	
New Jersey	NJ	1	NJ Health FAQ	1	NJ Health FAQ	TRUE	NJ Health FAQ
New Mexico	NM	1	Request to Change Gender Designation on a Birth Certificate: Adult Form	1	Request to Change Gender Designation on a Birth Certificate: Minor Form Minor: 14 Years or over Consent	TRUE	NMDOH Gender Designation Change
New York	NY	1	Adult Application of Amendment NYSDOH Application for the Correction of	1	NYS DOH	TRUE	NYS DOH

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North Carolina	NC	-1	Amendment of birth and death certificates	-1	Amendment of birth and death certificates	FALSE	
North Dakota	ND	-1	Correction and Amendment of Vital Records	-1	Correction and Amendment of Vital Records	FALSE	
Ohio	OH	-1	ACLU Ohio	-1	ACLU Ohio	TRUE	Stonewall Columbus
Oklahoma	OK	-1	Executive Order 2021-24	-1	Executive Order 2021-24	FALSE	SB1100
Oregon	OR	1	Oregon Health	1	Oregon Health	TRUE	Info Sheet
Pennsylvania	PA	1	Request to Modify Adult Record	1	Modifying a Birth Record	FALSE	Request to Modify Adult Record
Rhode Island	RI	1	Health RI Changes to Sex	1	Health RI Changes to Sex	TRUE	Health RI Changes to Sex
South Carolina	SC	-1	SC Legal	-1	SC Legal	FALSE	
South Dakota	SD	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	
Tennessee	TN	-1	Tenn. Code Ann § 68-3-203(d)	-1	Tenn. Code Ann § 68-3-203(d)	FALSE	
Texas	TX	-1	Texas State Law Library	-1	Texas Law Help	FALSE	
Utah	UT	-1	UH Title 26B	-1	Utah Vital Records	TRUE	Petition for Name or Sex Change
Vermont	VT	1	VT Law Help	1	VT Law Help	TRUE	Affidavit of Gender Identity
Virginia	VA	0.5	VDH	0.5	VDH	FALSE	VS42
Washington	WA	1	Request to Change Sex Designation on a Birth Certificate for an Adult	0.5	Request to Change Sex Designation on a Birth Certificate for a Minor	TRUE	WA DOH Guidance
West Virginia	WV	1	Affidavit to Correct WV Birth Certificate	1	Affidavit to Correct Birth Certificate of Minor	FALSE	Sex Desianation Form
Wisconsin	WI	-1	Wisconsin DHS	-1	WI Court Petition	FALSE	WI Court Petition
Wyoming	WY	-1	NCTE	-1	NCTE	FALSE	Wyoming Application for Correction

Name Change Laws:

Ranked as follows:

- [-1] State has a negative targeted law, name change is not possible, or is extremely limited
- [1] State requires publication of name change, with no or extremely limited option to waive publication
- [0] State requires publication, but offers broad options to waive publication
- [0] Unclear state law, defer to county
- [0.5] May only require publication for limited circumstances
- [1] Accessible process that does not require publication

State	State Code	Name Change Adult	Name Change Adult - Source	Name Change Minor	Name Change Minor - Source
Alabama	AL	1	Request to Change Name (Adult)	0	Name Change Minor NCTE
Alaska	AK	0	Request to Waive Posting in Adult Change of Name Case Adult Change of Name Packet	0	Request to Waive Posting in Child's Change of Name Case Child's Change of Name Packet
Arizona	AZ	0.5	Application for Change of Name for and Adult	0.5	Application for Change of Name for a Minor Child NCTE
Arkansas	AR	1	Name Change for Adults	1	Name Changes for Minors
California	CA	1	Adult Name Change	1	Name Change Index
Colorado	CO	1	Guide to Adult Name Changes	1	Guide to Changing a Child's Name
Connecticut	CT	1	Procedure for Applying for Change of Name	1	Procedure for Applying for Change of Name
Delaware	DE	1	Change of Name Petition	1	Change of Name Petition
Florida	FL	1	Petition for Change of Name	1	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
Georgia	GA	-1	Apply for a Name Change	-1	Name changes for Minors NCTE
Hawai'i	HI	0	Name Change Instructions	0	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
Idaho	ID	-1	Instructions for Name Change	-1	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
Illinois	IL	0	Motion to Waive Notice and Publication	0	How to Change a Name for Minor Children
Indiana	IN	-1	Adult Name Change Instructions	-1	Name and Gender Marker Change
Iowa	IA	0.5	Iowa Legal Aid	0.5	Iowa Courts
Kansas	KS	0.5	Kansas Legal Services Pamphlet on Adult Name Change	0.5	Kansas Legal Services Minor Guidance

State	State Code	Name Change Adult	Name Change Adult - Source	Name Change Minor	Name Change Minor - Source
Kentucky	KY	1	KY Petition for Name Change	1	KY Justice Name Changes
Louisiana	LA	1	LA Trans Advocates	1	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
Maine	ME	1	Maine Process to Change Name	1	Maine Process to Change Name
Maryland	MD	1	Maryland Courts Name Change Guidance	1	Maryland Courts Name Change Guidance
Massachusetts	MA	0	Legally Change Your Name as an Adult	-1	Legally Change the name of a child under 18
Michigan	MI	0	Michigan Legal Help	0	Michigan Legal Help
Minnesota	MN	1	Application for Name Change	0.5	Application for Name Change
Mississippi	MS	1	MS Code § 93-17-25 (2020)	1	MS Code § 93-17-25 (2020)
Missouri	MO	-1	Petition for Change of Name - Adult	-1	Petition for Name Change - Minor
Montana	MT	1	Name Change (Sealed Record)	0.5	Name Change Packet Child
Nebraska	NE	0	Adult Name Change	0	Child Name Change
Nevada	NV	1	Nevada Courts Name Change	1	Nevada Courts Name Change
New Hampshire	NH	1	Name Change - Adult	1	Name Change - Minor
New Jersey	NJ	1	Name Change - Adult	1	Name Change - Minor
New Mexico	NM	1	HB 31	1	HB 31
New York	NY	1	Gender Recognition Act	1	Gender Recognition Act
North Carolina	NC	-1	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. §§ 101-1 to 101-8.	-1	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. §§ 101-1 to 101-8.
North Dakota	ND	0.5	Instructions for a Name Change - Adult	0.5	Instructions for a Name Change - Minor
Ohio	OH	0	Ohio Name Change Forms	0	Ohio Name Change Forms
Oklahoma	OK	0	12 OK Stat § 1633 (2022)	0	12 OK Stat § 1633 (2022)
Oregon	OR	1	Oregon Name Change Guidance	1	Oregon Name Change Guidance
Pennsylvania	PA	0	Title 54 Chapter 7	0	Title 54 Chapter 7
Rhode Island	RI	0	Change of Name Form	0	Change of Name Form
South Carolina	SC	1	SC Code § 15-49-10 (2022)	1	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
South Dakota	SD	0	SDCL 21-37-5.2	0.5	Name Changes for Minors NCTE
Tennessee	TN	1	TN Code § 29-8-102 (2021)	1	Name Changes for Minors NCTE

State	State Code	Name Change Adult	Name Change Adult - Source	Name Change Minor	Name Change Minor - Source
Texas	TX	1	TX Fam Code § 45.102 (2022)	1	TX Fam Code § 45.002 (2022)
Utah	UT	1	Name Change Adult	1	Name Change Minor
Vermont	VT	1	VT Judiciary: Name Changes	1	Name Change of Minor Child Information
Virginia	VA	1	Application for Change of Name (Adult)	1	VA Code § 8.01-217 (2022)
Washington	WA	1	WA Rev Code Ann § RCW 4.24.130	1	WA Rev Code Ann § RCW 4.24.130
West Virginia	WV	0	Changing Your Name	0	Changing Your Child's Name
Wisconsin	WI	0.5	Name Change FAQ	0.5	Name Change FAQ
Wyoming	WY	-1	Equal Justice WY Adult Name Change	-1	Equal Justice WY Minor Name Change

Nondiscrimination Protections:

Ranked as follows based on housing, employment, and public accommodation nondiscrimination protections:

- [-1] State has no protections for gender identity or target laws allowing discrimination
- [0] State non-discrimination protections covering gender identity in one of the three categories
- [0.5] State non-discrimination protections covering gender identity in two of the three categories
- [1] All three categories of non-discrimination laws explicitly cover gender identity

State	State Code	Nondiscrimination Rank	Nondiscrimination Source
Alabama	AL	-1	
Alaska	AK	0.5	Alaska State Commission for Human Rights
Arizona	AZ	0	Bruer vs. The State of Arizona
Arkansas	AR	-1	Ark. Code Ann. § 14-1-403
California	CA	1	CA LGBTQ Discrimination Rights
Colorado	CO	1	HB21-1108
Connecticut	CT	1	KYR: LGBTQ+ Discrimination in Connecticut
Delaware	DE	1	Gov Signs Gender Identity Nondiscrimination Act
Florida	FL	1	Florida Commission on Human Relations
Georgia	GA	0	Bostock v Clayton County, GA
Hawai'i	HI	1	Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission
Idaho	ID	-1	ACLU Idaho
Illinois	IL	1	IL Human Rights Act

State	State Code	Nondiscrimination Rank	Nondiscrimination Source
Indiana	IN	-1	
Iowa	IA	1	Iowa Civil Rights Commission
Kansas	KS	1	KHRC Guidance
Kentucky	KY	0.5	KCHR FAQ
Louisiana	LA	-1	
Maine	ME	1	Maine Human Rights Act
Maryland	MD	1	Fairness for All Marylanders Act of 2014
Massachusetts	MA	1	MCAD Gender Identity Guidance
Michigan	MI	1	ELCRA Expansion
Minnesota	MN	1	Minnesota Human Rights Act Protected Classes and Areas
Mississippi	MS	-1	ACLU MS
Missouri	MO	-1	ACLU MO
Montana	MT	-1	SB 458: Define Sex in Montana Law
Nebraska	NE	0.5	KYR ACLU NE
Nevada	NV	1	NERC Gender Identity and Expression Discrimination
New Hampshire	NH	1	KYR: Discrimination in New Hampshire
New Jersey	NJ	1	Gender Discrimination Fact Sheet
New Mexico	NM	1	NM Stat § 28-1-7 (2021)
New York	NY	1	NY DHR GENDA
North Carolina	NC	-1	
North Dakota	ND	1	North Dakota Human Rights Act Update 2020
Ohio	OH	-1	ACLU Ohio
Oklahoma	OK	-1	This new Oklahoma executive order narrowly defines 'woman'
Oregon	OR	1	OR DOJ
Pennsylvania	PA	1	Guidance on PHRA
Rhode Island	RI	1	RI Protected Categories Chart
South Carolina	SC	-1	
South Dakota	SD	-1	
Tennessee	TN	-1	HRC Press release 3.13.2023
Texas	TX	-1	Equality Texas Non-Discrimination
Utah	UT	0.5	Utah Fair Housing Act Utah Antidiscrimination Act
Vermont	VT	1	1 V.S.A §144
Virginia	VA	1	Virginia Human Rights Act
Washington	WA	1	WA HRC Guidance

State	State Code	Nondiscrimination Rank	Nondiscrimination Source
West Virginia	WV	-1	Legal Aid WV
Wisconsin	WI	-1	Sex Discrimination
Wyoming	WY	-1	Williams Institute