

## **-Wisconsin residents will need REAL ID-compliant identification to fly beginning October 1, 2020**

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MADISON - The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) today held a press conference at the Dane County Regional Airport (MSN) to remind Wisconsin residents that starting Oct. 1, 2020, travelers will need a REAL ID-compliant form of **identification** to board a flight at MSN and all U.S. airports. Signs are currently posted at all Wisconsin airports reminding travelers of the October 1, 2020 deadline.

Wisconsin has been issuing REAL ID-compliant licenses and ID cards since January 14, 2013. To determine if a Wisconsin driver license is REAL ID-compliant, look for the cutout of a star in a black background in the upper right-hand corner of the license.

'A year from today, all passengers flying out of Wisconsin airports, as well as airports around the country, will need a REAL ID-compliant license or another acceptable form of ID to board a plane,' said Mark Lendvay, TSA Wisconsin federal security director.

Travelers who do not have a REAL ID may use another form of acceptable documentation, such as a valid passport or military ID. For a complete list of acceptable IDs, go to <https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification>. A REAL ID also will be required to gain access to secure federal facilities, including military bases, nuclear facilities and some federal offices starting Oct. 1, 2020.

'Since a driver license or ID is the most convenient form of **identification**, Wisconsin DMV encourages travelers to prepare their paperwork, then visit a DMV before the October 1, 2020 deadline,' said Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Administrator Kristina Boardman. 'Our customers are encouraged to visit the DMV sooner rather than later. Delay could mean longer lines at the DMV or travelers without a REAL ID or another acceptable form of ID will be denied boarding their plane.'

Information on where to find a nearby DMV, what documents to bring, costs and more is at <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/dmv/license-drvs/how-to-apply/realid.aspx>

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Passed by Congress in 2005, the REAL ID Act complies with the 9/11 Commission's recommendation that the federal government 'set standards for the issuance of sources of **identification**, such as driver's licenses.' The Act established minimum security standards for state-issued driver's licenses and **identification** cards and prohibits federal agencies from accepting licenses and **identification** cards from states that do not meet these standards for official purposes, such as at airport security checkpoints. The regulations established the deadline of October 1, 2020, to ensure full enforcement of the REAL ID Act. States have made considerable progress in meeting this key recommendation of the 9/11 Commission.

More information and Frequently Asked Questions on REAL ID can be found at [public-faqs](https://www.dhs.gov/real-id-public-faqs)

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