

Acceptable Photo IDs Wisconsin's New Voter Photo ID Law

Starting with the 2012 February Primary and all subsequent elections thereafter, Wisconsin Electors must show an acceptable photo ID before receiving and casting a ballot.

<p>If I already have a driver license or other photo ID, do I have to get a special "Voter ID" card?</p>	<p>No. There is no such thing as a separate "Voter ID" card. Instead, other forms of photo ID can be used. <u>If you already have a driver license, you don't need (and cannot get), a state ID card simply in order to vote.</u> Anyone with a valid driver license or state ID card, or any of the documents listed below, already has the photo ID they need for voting purposes.</p>
<p>What types of Photo ID are acceptable for voting purposes?</p>	<p><u>The following photo IDs are acceptable for voting purposes, and can be unexpired or expired after the date of the most recent general election (currently, the November 2, 2010 election):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended ➤ A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card ➤ Military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service ➤ A U.S. passport <p><u>The following photo IDs are also acceptable for voting purposes, but must be unexpired:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A certificate of naturalization that was issued not earlier than two years before the date of an election at which it is presented ➤ A driving receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 60 days) ➤ An identification card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 60 days) ➤ An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin ➤ A photo identification card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college that contains the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Date of Issuance -- Signature of Student -- Expiration date no later than two years after date of issuance -- The university or college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment.

For detailed information about the Voter Photo ID law, please visit the Government Accountability Board website: <http://gab.wi.gov> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS or contact the G.A.B. Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or TTY 1-800-947-3529.

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<p>What must an acceptable Photo ID for voting purposes include?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Elector's Photograph <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin: 5px 0;"><i>The photograph must reasonably resemble the elector.</i></div> ➤ Elector's Name <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin: 5px 0;"><i>The elector's name must conform to the name on their voter registration. Conform does not mean that the name must be identical to the name on the voter registration.</i></div> ➤ An Expiration Date within the deadlines described previously ➤ An Acceptable Photo ID <u>does not</u> have to include a current address
<p>What types of photo IDs are NOT acceptable for voting purposes?</p>	<p>The following photo IDs are <u>NOT</u> acceptable for voting purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Military Veteran Affairs IDs ➤ State or Federal government employee IDs ➤ Technical College IDs ➤ An out-of-state driver license or identification card ➤ Employment IDs ➤ Membership or Organization IDs ➤ Certificates of Citizenship
<p>Are there any types of documents without a photo that are acceptable as identification for voting purposes on Election day?</p>	<p>Yes. The following documents, which do not contain a photo, can be used for voting purposes :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend a driver license, which is dated within 60 days of the date of the election. If your driver license has been taken away by law enforcement or a court, you may present written documentation of that fact in order to vote without your photo ID. ➤ A Wisconsin DOT identification card without a photo, issued to those electors with a religious objection to being photographed.
<p>Are any electors exempt from showing an acceptable photo ID to vote?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Confidential electors are always exempt from photo ID requirements. Confidential electors have applied for this status with their municipal clerk, and have presented a court order, a letter from law enforcement, a letter from the staff of a domestic abuse shelter, or the staff of an agency assisting victims of domestic abuse. ➤ Military and Overseas voters are not required to present photo ID when they vote by absentee ballot, but if they vote in-person, they must present photo ID.

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