PROOF OF IDENTITY AND RESIDENCY

Information on proof of identity and residency documents required to obtain a driver licence in the Australian Capital Territory.

Where proof of identity and/or residency are required, documents must be current, unless otherwise specified, and originals or certified copies. Any documents in foreign languages must include a certified translation from either the official representative of the issuing country or the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Translations certified by a person accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI) are also acceptable.

IDENTIFICATION AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR ACT PHOTOGRAPHIC DRIVER LICENCE

Applicants for a first issue of an ACT photographic driver licence (and renewals where photo licence cannot be produced) and/or ACT vehicle registration are required to provide full evidence of identity including three proof of identity documents and one proof of residency document consisting of:

- One primary proof of identity document *
- One secondary proof of identity document *
- One additional primary proof of identity document or secondary proof of identity document; *
- One proof of residency document.

Acceptable documents are listed below.

Photocopies are not acceptable and documents must be current unless otherwise stated.

At least one of the identifications must show a signature.
At least one of the identifications must show a date of birth.

PRIMARY PROOF OF IDENTITY -- documents which will be accepted:

- A photographic driver licence issued in Australia (current or expired by up to 2 years).
- Australian Birth Certificate (not a Commemorative Certificate and not an extract). If the certificate is not in the name currently used - appropriate linking documentation will be required.
- Australian Passport (expired by up to 2 years).
- Overseas Passport (expired by up to 2 years if accompanied by current Australian Visa).
- Australian Citizenship Certificate or Naturalisation Certificate.
- Department of Immigration & Citizenship travel document (valid up to 5 years after issue)
- Department of Immigration & Citizenship Certificate of Evidence of Resident Status.
- Portrait and signature stored on Road User Services database.
- Australian Defence Force photo-identity card, excluding civilians.
- Police Officer photo-identity card (from ACT only).
- Australian Proof of Age Card (includes NSW Photo Card) with appropriate security features, showing date of issue by an Authority, that is current or expired by up to 2 years.
SECONDARY PROOF OF IDENTITY -- documents which will be accepted:

• Current Medicare card.
• Current credit card or account card, with signature and embossed name from a Bank, Building Society or Credit Union.
• Current Student Identity Document (with photo and/or signature) issued by Educational Institution.
• Current Centrelink or Department of Veterans Affairs Concession Card.
• Australian-issued Security Guard/Crowd Controller Licence (with photo).
• Australian-issued Firearm Licence (with photo).
• Current Consular photograph identity card issued by Department of Foreign Affairs.
• Current State or Federal Government employee photo-identity card.

PROOF OF RESIDENCY - if not already established by a primary or secondary Proof of Identity document:

Must be supplied by all interstate and overseas licence holders transferring to an ACT driver licence or vehicle registration.

Provided the applicant’s residential address is listed on the document the following are acceptable:

• Contract of purchase, current lease or rental document for relevant premises, (a receipt only is not acceptable).
• Current vehicle registration certificate.
• Driver licence or vehicle registration renewal notice for coming period.
• Current council rates notice.
• Current Land Tax valuation notice.
• Australian Taxation Office assessment (last or current financial year).
• Utility accounts relating to the street address (Electricity, Gas, Telephone or Water) paid within the last 3 months.