

Do I need to bring any other documents to the NDLS centre?

You may also be required to supply a medical report with your application form, for example if you are over 70 years of age or if you are a professional bus or truck driver. For a full list of instances please consult the application form or visit www.ndls.ie.

For information on what else you need to apply for a driving licence or learner permit, visit www.ndls.ie or see the guidance notes in the application form.

Renew online

From April 2018 onwards the option to renew a driving licence or learner permit online will be available to some customers. To see if you may be able to avail of this facility, visit www.ndls.ie. To use this online service you must have a Public Services Card and set up a 'Verified' account on www.mygovid.ie. The online service will be available to more customers later in 2018.

Having a Public Services Card, together with a MyGovID, will make it easier, safer and more convenient for you to access many of your public services, in person and online.

What are the benefits of having a Public Services Card when applying for a driving licence or learner permit?

- The Public Services Card will simplify and streamline the application process for a driving licence or learner permit, as less documentation is required.
- The application process for a driving licence or learner permit will be more secure due to the face-to-face SAFE (Standard Authentication Framework Environment) registration process used when applying for a Public Services Card.
- The requirement to use a Public Services Card will help combat fraud and keep unlicensed, illegal drivers off our roads.
- Your Public Services Card will enable you to access other government services, such as Social Welfare services, Revenue services, and any public service systems accessed online, more easily.

Further information about this service is available at www.ndls.ie



National Driver Licence Service
An tSeirbhís Náisiúnta um Cheadúnais Tiomána

National Driver Licence Service (NDLS)

Are you applying for a driving licence or learner permit?

The application process has changed



Public Services Card

From Monday 9 April 2018 you will need a Public Services Card to apply for a driving licence or learner permit.

This change will simplify and increase the security of the application process, help combat fraud and keep unlicensed drivers off our roads.

The Public Services Card will now be the only form of identity accepted at NDLS centres when applying for the first time or renewing your driving licence or learner permit. It will be used to verify your name, PPS number, address and identity.

To find out more or to book an appointment to get your Public Services Card, visit www.psc.gov.ie or get in touch with your local Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection office. You can apply for a Public Services Card at over 100 locations throughout Ireland.

If you have any queries about the Public Services Card application process, please visit www.psc.gov.ie or lo-call 1890 927 999.



How do I apply for a Public Services Card?

To get your Public Services Card, you will need to complete the following steps:

1) Book a face-to-face registration appointment by availing of one of the following options.

- By dropping in at your local Intreo Centre or Social Welfare Branch Office
- or
- Book an appointment online at www.psc.gov.ie. You will need to register for a MyGovID account. This will require an email address, name and password.

2) Bring certain documents to your face-to-face registration appointment.

- To find out more about the documents you will need, please visit www.psc.gov.ie.

3) Attend the Public Services Card face-to-face registration appointment.

- During this appointment your photograph will be taken, your signature recorded and you will be asked for the answers to some security questions.

4) Receive your Public Services Card by post.

- It will be delivered in about 5 to 7 working days to the address you supplied.

How do I apply for a driving licence or learner permit?

Once you receive your Public Services Card you can apply for your driving licence or learner permit. When planning a visit to an NDLS centre, you can book an appointment on www.ndls.ie. Each centre also allows for walk-in appointments every day.

There are 36 NDLS centres nationwide. Please visit www.ndls.ie to see where your nearest centre is located.

From Monday 9 April 2018 onwards, when applying for a driving licence or learner permit, all you will need to bring* is:

- a completed driving licence application form (D401)
- the appropriate fee
- your Public Services Card.

*Evidence of address is required only if your current address differs from the one you provided to the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection when applying for your Public Services Card.

*Evidence of residency entitlement is required only if your place of birth and nationality is outside the EU/EEA.

Your photograph and signature will be captured digitally at the NDLS centre.

Your new driving licence or learner permit will be delivered to you by post, to the address you provide, within 5 to 8 working days.

For further information, visit www.ndls.ie.