

# HOW TO GET A PENNSYLVANIA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE ID

## 1 PRINT FORM

Search and print the appropriate Application from the PennDOT website: <http://www.penndot.gov>

- Driver's License: DL-180
- Out of State License: DL-180 R
- State Photo ID: DL-54A



## 2 COMPLETE FORM

Fill out the form and sign it. For initial Driver's License, you need a **Medical Exam**. A physician will need to complete and sign the DL-180 form. For Out of State and State Photo ID, you do **NOT** need a medical exam.



## 3 SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE

If you have a Social Security Card you do not need to take this step! Take all Immigration documents (Passport, I-94, and I-20 or DS-2019) along with a Student Verification Letter (found on RMU website) to the Social Security Office and ask for a Social Security (SSN) Denial Letter.



Social Security Administration (Pittsburgh)  
921 Penn Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

## 4 DRIVER'S LICENSE CENTER (TAKE WITH YOU)



Social Security Card or Social Security Denial Letter



Passport, I-94 and I-20 (F visas) or DS-2019 (J visas)\*  
\*I-20 or DS-2019 MUST BE VALID for at least 6 months at the time you apply.



Two documents verifying PA address\*

\*Ex. Rental agreement, cell phone bill, cable bill, bank statement, etc...



Any previous Driver's License from another U.S. state OR a valid International License OR license from your home country



Completed application form and check or money order to pay fees\*

\*Cash not accepted. Search "Fees and Payments on PennDOT for an estimated amount.

## 5 DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMS

To obtain a Driver's License you will have to pass a **WRITTEN EXAM**.

You will take this at the Driver's License Center. Passing this will allow you to receive your Learner's Permit.

You will also have to pass a **ROAD TEST**.

A certified examiner will test your driving ability in the car with you.



- If you have an Out of State License, you do not need to retake the exams. The process has to be done within 60 days of moving to PA and your Out of State License must not be expired for more than 6 months prior to the application.

### Driver's License Centers:

PennDOT Photo & Exam Center  
(Pittsburgh)  
708 Smithfield Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

PennDOT Driver's License Center  
(South Hills)  
1025 Washington Pike  
Bridgeville, PA 15017



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