

DRIVERS LICENSE/PASSPORT COMPARISONS

	NYS Drivers Licenses			US Passports	
	Standard***	Real ID***	Enhanced***	Card	Book
Length of Validity	8 Years	8 Years	8 Years	10 years	10 years
Cost****	\$64.50	\$64.50	\$94.50	\$65 adults \$50 minor	\$145 adults, \$115 minor
Documents needed to apply	Valid driver's license or six points of ID, SS Card, US Birth Certificate or proof of date of birth	Valid Driver's license or six points of ID, SS Card**, US Birth Certificate or proof of lawful presence in US, 2 proofs of NYS residency. If name has changed from birth certificate must show proof of change.	Valid Driver's license or six points of ID, SS Card**, Proof of US Citizenship, 2 proofs of NYS residency. If name has changed from birth certificate must show proof of change.	Photo ID & Government issued birth certificate, Passport or other proof of US Citizenship, if minor, additional requirements	Photo ID & Government issued birth certificate, Passport or other proof of US Citizenship, if minor, additional requirements
Issued by	NYSDMV	NYSDMV	NYSDMV	US Dept of State	US Dept of State
Land & Sea Travel*	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Domestic Flights	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
International Travel	No	No	No	No	Yes
Access to federal buildings?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Driving Permissions?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No

* To Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. Cruise lines may require a passport

**Current W2, 1098, 1099 tax forms can be used for SS# if current NYS license holder

*** These licenses also available as non driver identification cards. All permissions remain the same except for operating a motor vehicle.

****Cost varies depending on license class, fees stated are for Class D license.