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TRAINING BULLETIN

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Department of Motor Vehicles Memo 25-15: *Driver's License and Identification Card Redesign*

On September 30, 2025, the California Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) issued Law Enforcement Information Memo 25-15: Driver's License and Identification Card Redesign, which is attached to this training bulletin. The purpose of the memo is to notify California law enforcement agencies about the Driver's License (DL) and Identification (ID) Card redesign effective September 30, 2025.

By acknowledging this training bulletin, you are indicating you have read both this training bulletin and DMV Memo 25-15 in their entirety. All Sheriff's Office personnel are required to review this training bulletin and DMV Memo **no later than November 6, 2025.**



LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION MEMO: 25-15
SUBJECT: Driver's License and Identification Card Redesign
Memo Date: September 30, 2025

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Purpose	To notify California law enforcement agencies about the Driver's License (DL) and Identification (ID) Card redesign.
Background	The California DL/ID cards are updated regularly to improve security measures. In 2010, the cards were issued with a new design and security features. In 2018, the cards were redesigned with the implementation of REAL ID.
New Information	Beginning September 30, 2025, California DL/ID cards will be issued with a new design and updated security features. The new cards will include enhanced anti-counterfeit design elements. The new card will no longer include a magnetic strip on the back but will contain a barcode. Cards displaying "Federal Limits Apply" on the front will have additional information on the back of the card to indicate that card does not establish eligibility for firearms purchases. Cards for those under 21 years old will have the new look and updated security features, and will remain vertical. All valid DL/ID cards should continue to be accepted through their expiration date.
Contact	If you have questions or concerns about this memorandum or changes to the email distribution list, contact the Information Policy and Liaison Branch at (916) 657-7732 or via email to jaglaw@dmv.ca.gov .

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Driver's License and Identification Card Redesign

REAL ID	Federally Noncompliant
 Front of REAL ID California Driver License for Janice Sample. The license includes the following information: - License Number: 1234567 - Date of Birth: 11/26/1957 - Expiration Date: 11/26/2030 - Name: SAMPLE JANICE - Address: 123 NORTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 00000-1234 - Class: A - Endorsements: NONE - Restrictions: NONE - Issuance Date: 11/09/2025 - Sex: F, Eyes: BRN, Hair: BRN, Height: 5'-06", Weight: 160 lb - Signature: Janice Sample	 Front of Federally Noncompliant California Driver License for Alexander Joseph Sample. The license includes the following information: - License Number: 1234568 - Date of Birth: 11/26/1957 - Expiration Date: 11/26/2030 - Name: SAMPLE ALEXANDER JOSEPH - Address: 123 NORTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 00000-1234 - Class: A - Endorsements: NONE - Restrictions: NONE - Issuance Date: 11/09/2025 - Sex: M, Eyes: BRN, Hair: BRN, Height: 5'-10", Weight: 180 lb - Signature: Alexander J. Sample
 Back of REAL ID California Driver License for Janice Sample. The back includes the following information: - License Number: 12345670401 - Revision: 05/20/2024 - Date of Birth: 11/26/1957 - Class: A - Veh, Comb of Veh, No M/C - Endorsements: None - Restrictions: None - Signature: Janice Katherine Sample - Expiration Date: 11/26/57 - Statement: This license is issued as a license to drive a motor vehicle; it does not establish eligibility for employment, voter registration, or public benefits.	The magnetic strip has been removed from the back of the cards. This card is not acceptable for official federal purposes. This license is issued only as a license to drive a motor vehicle. It does not establish eligibility for employment, firearms purchases, voter registration, or public benefits.

