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Vermont DMV will soon issue new driver's licenses and ID cards

Montpelier, Vt. – The Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will begin to roll out a new style of driver's licenses and ID cards this month, beginning with the Rutland office on June 11th. All other DMV offices will follow according to a rollout schedule that aims to transition the entire state to the new credentialing system by the end of June. Under the new system, licenses are mailed, not printed at the DMV.

"The new licenses are more secure and designed to protect better against fraud and identity theft," said DMV Commissioner Wanda Minoli. "We urge people to renew early and to read about the new driver's licenses and ID cards before visiting the DMV."

Throughout the month of June, Vermonters who receive a renewal notice in the mail are advised to **check the DMV website to learn which offices have changed to the new system**. If a DMV office is still issuing the old style of credentials, then customers will receive a renewed license or ID card like those currently in use.

At offices that have changed to the new system, customers will not leave with a new license or ID card. The new credentials have advanced security features and will be mailed from a high-security printing facility seven to ten days after visiting the DMV. Customers will leave the DMV with a 30-day temporary paper document to be used for driving purposes only. Those who renew by mail after the DMV has changed to the new system will not receive a temporary document.

People who attempt to use the temporary license for identification purposes, such as cashing a check or boarding an airplane, will likely be asked for a second form of ID. The DMV recommends that along with the temporary paper document, people also keep their current credential, even if it has expired.

The rollout schedule is as follows and is subject to change: 6/11 Rutland, 6/17 Dummerston, 6/18 Springfield, 6/18 St. Albans, 6/19 Bennington, 6/20 Middlebury, 6/21 South Burlington, 6/24 White River Junction, 6/25 Montpelier, 6/26 Newport, 6/27 St. Johnsbury.

More information is available at <https://dmv.vermont.gov/licenses/vtpics>.

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