**Section 1030.25 Safe Driver License Renewals and Remote Renewals of Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards**

a) The Department may remotely renew a driver's license or identification card of a person who is not otherwise ineligible for a driver's license or identification card and meets the eligibility criteria for renewal as set forth in this Section. Eligible applicants are mailed a renewal notice indicating current eligibility for remote renewal, approximately 90 days prior to the expiration of their current driver's license or identification card.

b) Safe Driver Renewal applicants. Drivers *whose driving records are devoid of any convictions of traffic violations or evidence of committing an offense for which mandatory revocation would be required upon conviction pursuant to Section 6-205* of the IVC [625 ILCS 5/6-109(c)] may renew their driver's license by mail, Internet, or telephone. Drivers who are no longer eligible due to a change in their driving record will be denied at time of application through the Internet and telephone and shall be instructed to appear at a driver's license facility. Drivers who are no longer eligible at time of renewal who have submitted the application by mail will have their application and fee returned, with the reason of ineligibility, and shall be directed to appear at a driver's license facility.

c) A driver is not eligible for Safe Driver Renewal if any of the following apply:

1) The driver is the holder of a Commercial Driver's License;

2) The driving record contains a withdrawal action;

3) The driver is under the age of 21 or greater than the age of 78;

4) The driver's license has been expired over one year;

5) The driver's last two renewals were completed remotely;

6) The driver's license expiration is greater than one year;

7) The driver is required to submit a medical or vision specialist report;

8) The driving record contains a conviction;

9) The driver holds a school bus driver permit;

10) The driving record contains a disposition of court supervision;

11) The driving record indicates the driver has been involved in a property damage, personal injury, or fatal accident;

12) The driver holds a restricted local license;

13) The driver is less than 26 years of age and has not met a Selective Service obligation;

14) The driver is authorized to be in the United States temporarily and must submit updated documentation allowing the driver's continued presence in the United States;

15) The driver's social security number has not been verified through the Social Security On-line Verification System, if the driver has a social security number;

16) The driver must meet the reporting requirements of the Sex Offender Registration Act;

17) The driver's file does not contain a suitable image.

18) The driver is 74 years of age or older and holds a drivers' license with a J50 or J51 restriction.

d) Online Renewal of Driver's License

Drivers who are required to take a written test at every other renewal may renew a drivers' license online at the renewal where the written test is not required. A driver is not eligible for online driver’s license renewal if any of the following apply:

1) The driver holds a Commercial Driver's License with a hazardous materials endorsement;

2) The driver is under the age of 21 or greater than the age of 78;

3) The driver's license has been expired over one year;

4) The driver's last renewal was completed remotely;

5) The driver's license expiration is greater than one year;

6) The driver is required to submit a medical or vision specialist report;

7) The driver holds a school bus driver permit;

8) The driving record contains a notation that the driver has been involved in a property damage, personal injury, or fatal crash;

9) The driver holds a restricted local license;

10) The driver is less than 26 years of age and has not met a Selective Service obligation;

11) The driver is authorized to be in the United States temporarily and must submit updated documentation allowing the driver’s continued presence in the United States;

12) The driver's social security number has not been verified through the Social Security Online Verification System, if the driver has a social security number;

13) The driver must meet the reporting requirements of the Sex Offender Registration Act; or

14) The driver's file does not contain a suitable image.

15) The driver is 74 years of age or older and holds a driver's license with a J50 or J51 restriction.

e) Online Renewal of an Identification Card

Holders of an Illinois Identification Cards may renew the identification card online if none of the following conditions apply:

1) The applicant is under the age of 21 and greater than the age of 64;

2) The identification card has been expired for more than one year;

3) The identification card is suspended, revoked, or cancelled;

4) The applicant holds a homeless person ID card;

5) The applicant holds a person with a disability ID card;

6) The applicant is authorized to be in the United States temporarily and must submit updated documentation allowing the applicant's continued presence in the United States;

7) The applicant's social security number has not been verified through the Social Security Online Verification System, if the applicant has a social security number;

8) The applicant's file does not contain a suitable image; or

9) The applicant's address has changed since the identification card was issued or renewed, whichever is most recent.

10) The applicant's last two identification card renewals were completed remotely.

f) By submission of a remote renewal application for a driver's license, the driver affirms that:

1) The driver has not been issued corrective lenses (eyeglasses/contacts) for driving since the last renewal.

2) The driver's license or privilege to obtain a license is not suspended, revoked, cancelled, or refused in this or any other state.

3) The driver does not presently hold a valid driver's license or identification card in any other state.

4) The driver does not have any condition that might cause a temporary loss of consciousness.

5) The driver has no mental or physical condition that might interfere with safe driving.

6) The driver does not use any drugs, including prescription medication, or alcohol to an extent that they impair driving ability.

7) A court has not found the driver to have a mental disability or disease, or a court has not committed the driver to a mental health facility within the last four years.

8) The driver's legal name or gender has not changed.

g) By submission of an online renewal application for an identification card, the applicant affirms that:

1) The applicant's legal name or gender has not changed; and

2) The applicant's does not currently hold a valid driver's license or identification card in any other state.

h) The fees collected for the renewal of a driver's license or identification card shall be in accordance with IVC Section 6-118 or Section 12 of the Illinois Identification Card Act [15 ILCS 335] except that a processing fee will be charged by the service provider for applications received by telephone and Internet.

i) If the renewal applicant does not receive the driver's license or identification card by mail, the applicant may be issued one duplicate driver's license or identification card, at no fee, provided an application for a duplicate is filed within 90 days after the date of the renewal application and the driver's license or identification card was not returned to the Department as undeliverable. If the renewed driver's license or identification card is not returned to the Department by the U.S. Post Office as undeliverable, the applicant shall be required to appear at a driver services facility with one form of proof of residence address as outlined in Appendix B. The applicant shall be charged the fee for a corrected license or identification card as set forth in IVC Section 6-118 or Section 12 of the Illinois Identification Card Act if a change is required upon submission of the residence address documents.

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