

Article 5 Section 01 Identity

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05.01.01 Identity

05.01.01A U.S. Citizens

To verify identity, a document must:

- Be listed as acceptable in [Appendix A](#); **AND**
 - Contain sufficient identifying information that relates to the person named on the document. This may include a combination of any of the following (not an all inclusive list):
 - Photograph of the applicant or beneficiary (preferred)
 - Name
 - Age
 - Sex
 - Race
 - Height
 - Weight
 - Eye Color
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05.01.01B Non-Citizens

Non-Citizens may verify their identity by presenting any one of the items listed below:

- California Driver's License, California Identification Card or photo ID
- Alien Status document
- Birth Certificate
- School Identification card
- Social Security card or document containing a Social Security number
- Marriage record
- Work badge or building pass
- Church membership or baptism/confirmation record
- Divorce decree
- Adoption record
- Court order for a name change

Note: Expired documents are acceptable evidence of identity only.

Appendix 5A Acceptable Identity Documents

Acceptable Documents

Identity Document	Explanation
Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood or other U.S. American Indian/Alaska Native Tribal document.	Acceptable if the document carries a photograph of the individual or has other personal identifying information relating to the individual such as age, weight, height, race, sex and eye color.
Identity documents described in 8 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 274a.2(b)(1)(v)(B)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver’s license issued by State or Territory either with a photograph of the individual or other identifying information of the individual such as name, age, sex, race, height, weight or eye color. • School identification card with a photograph of the individual. • U.S. military identification card or draft record. • Identification card issued by the Federal, State, or local Government with the same identifying information included on a driver’s license. • U.S. Military dependent’s identification card with a photograph of the individual. • Native American Tribal document. • U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card with a photograph or other identifying information of the individual. <p>Note: Expired identity documents are acceptable for proof of identity.</p> <p>Exception: Do NOT accept a voter’s registration card or Canadian driver’s license as listed in 8 CFR 274a.2(b)(1)(v)(B)(1).</p>
Three or more corroborating identity documents.	Identity may be established based on three or more corroborating documents that, taken together, reasonably corroborate the identity of an individual (if there is no other evidence of identity available), provided the documents were not used to establish citizenship and the individual provided

	<p>second or third level evidence of citizenship. These documents must at a minimum include the individual's name (and any other identifying information) and must contain consistent identifying information. Acceptable documents that could be used to establish identity in this way include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marriage Licenses • Divorce decrees • High School Diplomas (including general education and high school equivalency diplomas) • Employer ID Cards • Property Deeds and Titles
U.S. passport issued with limitation	Passports with limitations may be used as proof of identity. Such a passport does not have to be currently valid to be acceptable evidence of identity.
Affidavit of identity for disabled individuals in institutional care facilities	Must be signed under penalty of perjury by a residential care facility director or administrator on behalf of an institutionalized individual in the facility. The affidavit does not need to be notarized.

Note: Identity documents that have recently expired are acceptable as long as there is no reason to believe the document does not match the individual.
