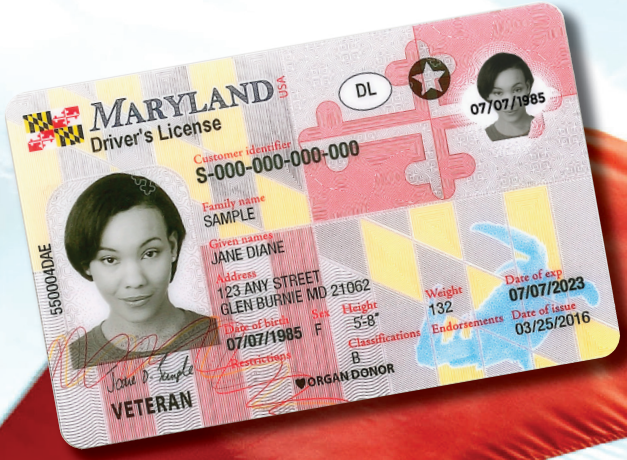
Veteran Designation for Driver's License and Identification Card



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How It Works

MVA offers a VETERAN designation printed on the driver's license or identification (ID) card for qualifying veterans. The designation will be the word VETERAN on the front of the license or ID. You can also add the VETERAN designation when you are processed for a license or ID card renewal, correction or new product.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the veteran designation, an individual must present documentation to verify that he / she served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States; other than for training, and was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

For this purpose, a veteran is someone who served in the:

U.S. Army
Navy
Air Force
Coast Guard
Marine Corps
National Guard
Reservist

Verification of Veteran and Discharge Status

Veterans must visit a MVA Branch Office and present an original or certified copy of any one of the following:

- DD-214 (photo copy acceptable)
- Military Discharge Certificate
- Honorable Discharge Certificate
- U. S. Uniformed Services Retiree Identification (Blue) Card and Reserve Retired (Red) Card (both DD Form 2)
- Letter from the U.S. Military Center in St. Louis, Missouri Letter from the Maryland Veterans Administration Service Program.

The document must show the veteran status as Honorable, General, General Under Honorable Conditions, Discharged or Released under conditions other than Dishonorable.

Note: The blue retiree card (DD Form 2) is an automatic representation of the acceptable veteran status. The red reserve retiree card (DD Form 2) for Reserves/National Guard under the age of 60 (not for their dependents) is also acceptable for veteran status.

There is no additional charge to add this to your driver's license or ID.

If you are a Veteran and do not have any of the documents listed above, you will need to contact the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to obtain documentation verifying your status as a veteran.

You may call 1-800-446-4926 or visit the MDVA website at: veterans.maryland.gov.