

## Motor Vehicle Registry Information Bulletin

# G2 – How to obtain an Evidence of Age (18 plus) Card

### What is an Evidence of Age Card?

An Evidence of Age Card is a card that provides evidence of your age, and is available to any NT resident over the age of 18 years. It can be used to gain entry into hotels, nightclubs, gaming areas, or other licensed premises, and provides identification to allow for the purchase of alcohol and/or tobacco products.

### Why do you need Evidence of Age?

Law prohibits retailers and licensees from selling alcohol/tobacco products and allowing entry into gaming areas, for people under the age of 18. Retailers and licensees will routinely ask for identification to prove your age. The Evidence of Age Card provides this identification.

### Who can obtain an Evidence of Age Card?

Any person, who is over the age of 18 and a resident of the Northern Territory, (whether or not they hold an NT Drivers Licence), can obtain this card.

### Expiry and replacement of an Evidence of Age Card

The Evidence of Age Card expires 5 years after the date of issue, however if you change your name, or change your physical appearance, then a new card should be obtained. When changing your name, address or appearance, the old card must be surrendered, and you must provide acceptable evidence of name change or gender reassignment. The replacement card will in these circumstances be provided free of charge.

### Lost, defaced or destroyed Evidence of Age Cards

If your card becomes lost, defaced or destroyed, you will need to reapply for the card, and provide a statutory declaration and pay the prescribed fee for the replacement card (the fee is the same for a one (1) year Driver Licence).

If your lost Evidence of Age Card is returned to MVR (e.g. by someone from the place where you have left your card behind, Police, etc), the card will be destroyed. You will need to reapply and pay the prescribed fee for a replacement card.

### Stolen Evidence of Age Cards

If your current card is stolen, you need to report the theft to the NT Police. They will provide you with a Promis Number, which you need to present to any MVR office together with an application for a replacement card. There will be in these circumstances, no charge for the replacement of a card.

### How do I obtain an Evidence of Age Card?

Simply fill out the form attached to the rear of this bulletin, submit it to your nearest MVR Office (or Police Station in remote areas), and provide the necessary documents. Details on what is required to apply for an Evidence of Age Card are on the following pages.

## How to apply for an Evidence of Age Card

To apply for an Evidence of Age Card, you will need to submit a completed application form (attached to the rear of this bulletin), and supply evidence of your identity and residency by providing a minimum of three (3) documents.

**Example:** When supplying three documents, one Category A and two Category B documents are acceptable, or one Category B and two Category A documents are acceptable.

- Category A documents are evidence of existence and linkage between identity and the applicant.
- Category B documents are confirmation of the identity and evidence of use of that identity in the community.

The applicant's signature must be recorded on at least one of the three documents.

The applicant's date of birth must be recorded on at least one of the three documents. The signature and date of birth on the same document are acceptable.

## Providing Evidence of your Identity

The following table lists acceptable Category A documents. All documents must be original (no photocopies) and unless otherwise stated **must be current**, not expired. All documents that are not in English must be translated by either the Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs, or Interpreting and Translating Service NT (ITSNT) accredited translators.

### Evidence of Identity – Category A

Evidence of Identity - Category A Documents	Status
Australian Birth Certificate bearing both the registration and a certificate number (not extract or a Commemorative Certificate) <i>(If the certificate is not in the name currently used – appropriate linking documentation will be required. See Evidence of Change of Name 2.02.7.)</i>	Original
Australian Citizenship Certificate or Naturalisation Certificate	Original
Australian Passport	Current or expired up to 2 years
Overseas passport	Current or expired up to 2 years if accompanied by a current Australian Visa
Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs travel document	Valid up to 5 years after issue
Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs Certificate of Evidence of Resident Status	Original
Australian Photographic Driver Licence	Current or expired up to 2 years
Australian Defence Force Photo Identity Card ( <b>excluding civilians</b> )	Current
Northern Territory Police & Fire Officer Photographic Identity Card	Current
NT Evidence of Age Card issued to customers established after 05 September 2005	Current or expired up to 2 years

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Your signature must appear on at least one of the Category A or B documents.

## Evidence of Identity – Category B

The following table lists the most commonly acceptable Category B documents. Documents not in English must be translated by either the [Department of Immigration & Citizenship](#), or [Interpreting and Translating Service NT](#) (ITSNT). All documents must be original, no photocopies and unless otherwise stated must be current not expired.

Evidence of Identity Category B Documents	Status
Medicare Card, NT Pensioner and Carer Concession Card, Dept of Veterans Affairs Entitlement Card, NT Seniors Card	Current
Financial Institution Card with signature and embossed name	Current
Student Identity Document (with photo and/or signature) issued by an Educational Institution	Current
Department of Veteran Affairs / Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card	Current
Australian-issued Security Guard / Crowd Controller Licence (with photo)	Current
Australian-issued Firearm Licence (with photo)	Current
Overseas Photographic Driver Licence (in English or with official translation)	Current or expired up to 2 years
* Approved NT Issued Identity Card (with photo), as follows – NT Government Employee ID Card NT Work Zone Traffic Management ID Card Larrakia Nation Proof of Identification Card East Arnhem Shire Council Proof of Identification Card Tangentyere Council Proof of Identification Card	Current

\*More information on how NT issued photo ID cards may be added to the approved list, can be found in MVR Information Bulletin [G11 – Approved NT Issued Photographic Identity Card](#).

## Evidence of Residential Address Documents

This is required if NT Residency not already established by either Category A or B documentation.

Residential Address Documents	Status
Contract of purchase, current lease or rental document, receipt from an accommodation house or caravan park etc identifying the applicant and the residential address	Current
Formal NTG correspondence identifying the applicant and the residential address	Dated within one year of the application
Formal Federal Government correspondence identifying the applicant and the residential address	Dated within one year of the application
Council Rate Notice identifying the applicant and the residential address showing current residential address (not postal)	Current
Financial Institution document identifying the applicant and the residential address	Current
Utility or Services Account (Gas, Electricity, Water, Landline Telephone [not mobile], Austar, Broadband, Internet etc.) identifying the applicant and the residential address	Current
Australian Taxation Office Assessment showing current residential address (not postal) <b>Please block out any reference to your Tax File Number</b>	Last or current financial year
Educational Institution document identifying the applicant and the residential address	Current
Completed MVR Form L3 - Parental or Guardian Consent (for Learner licence applicants under 17 years, if residing with parent or guardian)	Dated within one year of application

Documentation may be in more than one name as long as the applicant is identified.

The surrender of an Interstate Drivers Licence is not acceptable for the purpose of providing Evidence of Residential Address. If you cannot fulfil these requirements, please contact Motor Vehicle Registry on 1300 654 628 for further information.

## Evidence of Change of Name for an Individual

All documents must be original, not photocopies.

Change of Name Documents	Status
Full EOI (Category A and B) in current or former name	Original documents
<b>AND one of the following :</b>	
Marriage Certificate issued by an Australian Registrar of Births Deaths and Marriages (Commemorative certificates are not acceptable)	Original Document
Change of Name Registration with an Australian Registrar of Births Deaths and Marriages	Original Document
Deed Poll (to prove name change) registered with relevant authority	Original Document
Divorce <i>Decree Nisi or Absolute</i> (indicating the name being reverted to)	Original Document

## Women seeking name change due to marriage or divorce

Statutory declarations and commemorative Marriage Certificates (as presented at the marriage ceremony) are not acceptable evidence for name changes resulting from either a marriage or divorce.

To change to or from a maiden name, you must produce evidence that links both your married and your maiden name together. This will only be accepted in the form of:

- Registration of the name change with Births, Deaths and Marriages, by producing a Registered Marriage Certificate or Change of Name Registration Certificate; or,
- Orders from the court system, by producing a divorce Decree Nisi or Decree Absolute.

If the customer is recorded on the Registrar's database in both the maiden and married name/s, a statutory declaration may be accepted from the applicant to revert back to their maiden name due to separation or divorce.

Either marriage related document may be used to change to or from a maiden name, however, where a change of name is formally registered specifically as such, a new Change of Name Registration Certificate may be required in order to change back to a previous name. Please ask to discuss with an MVR supervisor if there is any doubt.

Evidence documents must carry both names in order to establish a linkage between the new and former names.

Hyphenated names such as Windsor Smith require a Change of Name Certificate or a Marriage Certificate issued from an Australian Birth Deaths and Marriage office showing the new name to be hyphenated.

Overseas Marriage Certificates are not acceptable as name change documentation because not all countries apply the same stringent evidence of identity of the couple as those applied in Australia.

Contact Motor Vehicle Registry on 1300 654 628 for further information.

## Evidence of Gender Reassignment

Full EOI (Category A and B) original documents in the current or former name, and a new birth certificate (with change of name if applicable) issued by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages is required from a person who has had a gender reassignment.

## Inability to provide Evidence of Identity / Residency

There may be rare occasions where a person is ***genuinely unable*** to provide the required documentation to satisfy each Evidence of Identity category either in part or in full, or unable to provide a signature or residential address. In these instances, please contact Motor Vehicle Registry on 1300 654 628 for further information.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** It is **not** considered “***genuinely unable***” because a person may be inconvenienced by the delay, difficulty or expense of getting documentation from an official source or has had all such documents stolen or destroyed by fire, flood etc. (in Australia).

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

The same Evidence of Identity requirements apply to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons. However, if you were born in the NT and are living in a remote area, and you are unable to provide evidence of identity documents such as a birth certificate the items below will assist in obtaining appropriate documents:

- Aboriginal persons born in the NT after 1969 will be able to access their birth certificate through the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages.
- Aboriginals born in the NT prior to 1969 who may not have a birth certificate may be recorded in the Aboriginal Population Records available from the Registrar of Births Deaths & Marriages. An Aboriginal Population Record (APR) will be acceptable as a Category A Evidence of Identity document.

## Contact Details for Births, Deaths and Marriages (NT) – Department of Justice

### Darwin

Location: Ground Floor, Nichols Place, Cnr Cavenagh & Bennett Streets, Darwin NT 0800  
 Postal Address: GPO Box 3021, Darwin NT 0801  
 Ph: (08) 8999 6119  
 Fax: (08) 8999 6324  
 Email: [RegistrarGeneral.DDJ@nt.gov.au](mailto:RegistrarGeneral.DDJ@nt.gov.au)  
 Web: <http://www.nt.gov.au/justice/bdm/index.shtml>

### Alice Springs

Location: Centrepoint Building, Cnr Gregory & Hartley Streets, Alice Springs NT 0870  
 Postal Address: PO Box 8043, Alice Springs NT 0871  
 Ph: (08) 8951 5339  
 Fax: (08) 8951 5340  
 Email: [RegistrarGeneral.DDJ@nt.gov.au](mailto:RegistrarGeneral.DDJ@nt.gov.au)  
 Web: <http://www.nt.gov.au/justice/bdm/index.shtml>

## Privacy and your Information

The information you provide to MVR to obtain a driver licence is collected for the purpose of compliance with and enforcement of the *Northern Territory Motor Vehicles Act*.

The Registrar of Motor Vehicles is required to collect information for registrations, licences and permits under section 92 of the *Motor Vehicles Act*. The Registrar adheres to the Department's Privacy Statement and the *Information Act*. Further information on privacy can be found at [www.nt.gov.au/dlp](http://www.nt.gov.au/dlp)

<b>Contact Details</b>	
<b>Motor Vehicle Registry</b>	
Telephone	1300 654 628
Facsimile	(08) 8999 3103
Email	<a href="mailto:mvr@nt.gov.au">mvr@nt.gov.au</a>
Web	<a href="http://www.mvr.nt.gov.au">www.mvr.nt.gov.au</a>
Postal Address	GPO Box 530 Darwin NT 0801

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Application for Evidence of Age Card

Details of Applicant

Form fields for Applicant Details: Surname, Date of Birth, MVR Customer ID, Given Name(s), State/Country of Birth, Male/Female, Residential Address, Postal Address, Telephone, Mobile Telephone, Email Address.

Privacy Statement

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Statutory Declaration (to be completed by applicant)

WARNING

A person wilfully making a false statement in a statutory declaration is liable to a penalty of \$2000 or imprisonment for 12 months, or both.

Statutory Declaration form with fields for name, address, date, and signatures of the declarant and witness.

This declaration may be made before any person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

Office Use Only

Office Use Only fields: Evidence of Identity - Category A/B, Evidence of Residency, Signature Checked, User ID.