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Real ID deadline is fast approaching. What do you need to know...

Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko is reminding residents of the REAL ID date coming soon.

Starting May 7, 2025, people over the age of 18 will need a REAL ID to board a domestic flight and access federal facilities. A REAL ID is not needed if you have another TSA-approved form of identification, such as a Passport or Enhanced License.

DMV offices across the state are serving a record number of people, due to the upcoming implementation of REAL ID Requirements. "Broome County is no exception," said Clerk Mihalko "Let us help you make your experience better when visiting the DMV".

It is NOT mandatory that you have REAL ID compliant identification. If your current driver's license has a Star or the American Flag, you HAVE the identification already. If you have a valid passport book or card, you HAVE the identification needed for the change. YOU DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING.

If you have a standard license which says, "NOT FOR FEDERAL USE" you may want to upgrade to be compliant with REAL ID. The County Clerk says, "Save yourself some time and bring the following with you to the DMV".

1. Your Birth Certificate (with a raised seal signed by a registrar).
2. Your Social Security Card or a document that has your full Social Security Number on it such as a tax return, a 1099 form or W-2.
3. Your current license.
4. All documents allowing for a name change since birth such as marriage license, divorce paperwork or court documents. These must be certified copies.
5. Proof of your current address – (Bring 2 of any of the following) Bank Statements, Utility Bills Credit Card Bills as these are the most common items. These should have your name and address that matches your license.
6. Make sure all are original documents, and not photocopies.

You can visit the NYS DMV website for a complete list of all document options: dmv.ny.gov

One common question is DO I need a REAL ID if I already have an enhanced license?

-The answer is NO, you don't. In New York, an Enhanced license, permit or non-driver ID is also acceptable. Unlike the REAL ID, an Enhanced license can be used to cross the U.S. border by land or sea into Canada, Mexico and some Caribbean countries.

What happens if I don't have a REAL ID after May 7, 2025?

-You won't be able to fly domestically or access federal facilities.

Nice weather is right around the corner and DMVs are traditionally busier due to trailers, boats and motorcycles.

You do not need an appointment but if you would like to make one you can at either the Binghamton or Endicott DMV

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Go to: broomecountyclerk.setmore.com

1. Choose the Service
2. Choose a "Provider"
3. Select a day and time
 - a. You may need to try a few times to find an appointment opening.
4. Click "Skip login process"
5. Fill out required Information and Confirm
6. Once confirmed, you will receive an email with details of your appointment