



How to Obtain a Driver's License/State ID

1. You will need the following:

- A valid passport, visa and I-20
- Your most recent I-94. This can be printed it from [here](#)
- An **Enrollment Verification Letter** from the Registrar's office (Please make sure it includes your updated current address!)
- A **valid Social Security Card** or **Denial Letter** from the Social Security Administration.
- A Student ID Card from Wheaton College
- Money (approximately **\$40**, varies by state) to take the Written Exam (Get the Driver's Manual from the DMV Office or download from [here](#))

2. Go to RMV office, present your documents, pay fees and take the written exam

Where: Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV)



75 Park Street
Attleboro, MA 02703
(857) 368-8000

[RMV Website](#)



Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

3. Once you pass the written exam, you can schedule a road test within 3 months. Please Hold on to your test card because it also serves as your driving permit. The license costs approximately \$50.

Important from the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV):

Foreign license holders who wish to drive in Massachusetts are subject to the following requirements:

- Must be at least 16 years of age
- Must be in possession of a valid driver's license from their home country
- May drive a vehicle in Massachusetts of the same class indicated on the foreign license
- Must have either an International Driving Permit (IDP) or the *Translation into English of a Foreign Driver License* which is an acceptable alternative document if the foreign license is not in English or does not have an English translation
- Driver's license must not be suspended or revoked

IDPs and Acceptable Alternative Documents

An International Driving Permit (IDP) is a translation of a driver's license into 10 major languages. It does not convey any driving privileges but must accompany a foreign license if the license is not in English.

If a foreign-licensed driver does not have an IDP, the license holder must obtain the *Translation into English of a Foreign Driver License* alternative document that properly identifies the license holder and translates the relevant license information into English. This form can be found on [Mass.gov/RMV](https://www.mass.gov/RMV) in the "Learner's permit, driver's license and ID card forms" section, <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/driving-in-massachusetts-on-a-foreign-drivers-license>.

Either an IDP or the alternative document must accompany any foreign license that is not in English.

Please refer to the Massachusetts Drivers' Manual which can be found on the Registry of Motor Vehicle's website at [mass.gov/rmv](https://www.mass.gov/rmv) for more information.

Final notes:

“If you are a visitor from another country, you may drive private passenger vehicles in Massachusetts for up to **one year from your date of arrival in the United States** provided you have a valid driver's license issued by your home country and your country is recognized under one of the conventions listed on page 151 – 152 in the driver's manual seen above.”