



NORTH CAROLINA

Description: Current license has a waterproof coating. The front laminate has state outline, state seal, "NC" and "1775." Barcode at top edge on back. CDL resembles the standard license but is marked "COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE" in black. Prior license: holographic overlay on front and 2D barcode on back; amber "COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE" and amber logo, photo border, and line at bottom. Red "LEGAL PRESENCE NO LAWFUL STATUS" and "LIMITED TERM" for undocumented immigrants. Must show North Carolina address.

Minor's license: Minor's are vertical. Current: Red "TURNS 21 ON (date)" and/or yellow "TURNS 18 ON (date)" at bottom edge of photo. Prior: Yellow logo, and photo frame with white "Turns 21 on (date)" in red bar

inside right frame edge; red logo, and photo frame with white "Turns 21 on (date)" outside right photo edge, black "Turns 18 on (date)" in yellow bar inside right frame edge.

Validation: Current: Laser-etched text; overlapping ghost images (one color, one laser-engraved) and tactile date of birth. Back has "NC" laser perforation (visible when backlit) at left center. Prior: Ghost image; overlay with the Wright Brothers Flyer with DOT logo on either side, and "NCDMV" along the bottom; microprinting.

Number: Current: 12 digits. Prior: 1 to 12 digits. All are unspaced, unencoded.

Term: As of 01/01/07, 8 years for drivers 18-54; 5 years for 54 and older. Before that, first license expires when age is divisible by 5 (may be for 7 or 8 years).



PRIOR LICENSE;
VALID IN 2016*

Minor's In vertical format.

*As of December 15, 2007, barcode on back may be at top or bottom.

*For ID cards and licenses, background image may be: Lighthouse, state seal, state silhouette, Wright Brothers Flyer, or U.S. flag.



CURRENT LICENSE;
VALID IN 2016*

Minor's In vertical format.

*Temporary paper license (with photo) valid 20 days; not valid for identification.