

Mobile Drivers License (mDL)

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a mDL?

A mDL is a voluntary, secure digital version of your physical driver's license or ID issued by the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration. It is NOT a picture of your license or ID.

What devices can I have it on?

mDLs are available on devices that have either Apple Wallet, Google Wallet, or Samsung Wallet. There may be limitations on older devices.

How is a mDL used?

You use your mDL by opening your mobile wallet, selecting your ID, and authenticating yourself before holding your device near an approved reader. The process lets you share only the information needed for the situation - such as being over the age of 21. **You should still carry your physical ID as backup as acceptance expands.**



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Where can I use a mDL?

mDLs are currently accepted at the following locations in Maryland:

- Oriole Park at Camden Yards
- Merriweather Post Pavilion
- TSA checkpoints
- MVA Branches statewide
- Some BWI Restaurants
- Some Montgomery County Alcohol Beverage Services Stores
- More coming soon!

How can my business accept mDLs?

Businesses must have an approved reader. There are three options:

Mobile ID Check by MD

A free, easy-to-download app for Apple and Android devices that lets businesses verify mDLs at no cost.

Integrated Point of Sales System

A built-in verification option that depends on your existing POS features, with costs varying based on IT integration and system upgrades.

Third Party Readers

A standalone hardware device that verifies mDLs and can be purchased separately, though it is often the most expensive option.

