

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

To obtain a duplicate SS Card, you can visit: www.ssa.gov/myaccount

There is no charge for a Social Security card. This service is free.

How do I apply for a replacement Social Security number card online?

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You can use your personal [my_Social Security](#) account to request a replacement Social Security number (SSN) card online if you:

- Are a U.S. citizen age 18 years or older with a U.S. mailing address.
- Are not requesting a name change or any other change to your card.
- Have a driver's license or a state-issued identification card from one of the [participating states](#) or the District of Columbia.

You should then:

- Log in to your personal [my_Social Security](#) account.
- Select "Replace your Social Security Card".
- Answer the screening questions to confirm eligibility.
- Enter personal information such as name, SSN, date of birth, address, and state driver's license or ID information.

If you are a U.S. citizen, but have not gotten a replacement SSN card or name change recently, you may not be eligible to use the online replacement card application in [my_Social Security](#). Non-citizens are not eligible to use the online replacement card application.

If you cannot apply for a card online, you will need to provide the [required documents](#). We need to see different documents

depending on citizenship and the type of card you are requesting. You should fill out and print an [Application for a Social Security Card](#) and contact your [local Social Security office](#).

Learn what documents you will need to get a Social Security Card

Submitting Documents to Social Security: Please do not mail original primary documents that should be kept secure in your possession, such as driver's licenses, passports, or immigration documents. If you prefer, you may choose to mail us secondary evidence of identity and less sensitive material. We also offer additional options for submitting documents, including Express Interviews by appointment, and Drop Boxes, where available. Please [call your local Social Security office](#) if you would like to drop off your evidence or if you think you may qualify for an in-person appointment. Please note that appointments may not be immediately available, depending on local health and safety conditions and staffing.

Original Card for a U.S. Born Adult

Important

You must present original documents or copies certified by the agency that issued them. We cannot accept photocopies or notarized copies. All documents must be current (not expired). We cannot accept a receipt showing you applied for the document.

What original documents do I need?

Citizenship

We can accept only certain documents as proof of U.S. citizenship. These include a U.S. birth certificate or a U.S. passport.

Age

You must present your birth certificate. If one exists, you must submit it. If a birth certificate does not exist, we may be able to accept your:

- Religious record made before the age of five showing your date of birth;
- U.S. hospital record of your birth.
- U.S. passport.

Anyone age 12 or older requesting an original Social Security number (SSN) must appear in person for an interview. We will ask for evidence to show you do not have an SSN. Here are examples of documents you can use to prove an SSN was never assigned:

- If you lived outside the United States for an extended period, a current or previous passport, school and/or employment records, and any other record that would show long-term residence outside the United States could be used to show you do not have an SSN.
 - If you have lived in the United States and you are applying for an original SSN, we may ask you for information about the schools you attended or we may ask you to provide copies of tax records that would show you were never assigned an SSN.
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Identity

We can accept only certain documents as proof of identity. An acceptable document must be current (not expired) and show your name, identifying information (date of birth or age) and preferably a recent photograph. For example, as proof of identity we must see your:

- U.S. driver's license.
- State-issued non-driver identification card.
- U.S. passport.

If you do not have one of these specific documents or you cannot get a replacement for one of them within 10 days, we will ask to see other documents. Any documents submitted, including the following, must be current (not expired) and show your name, identifying information (date of birth or age) and preferably a recent photograph:

- Employee identification card.
- School identification card.
- Health insurance card (not a Medicare card).
- U.S. military identification card.

Note

We may use one document for two purposes. For example, we may use your U.S. passport as proof of both citizenship and identity. **However, you must provide at least two separate documents.**