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**New requirements for obtaining Driver License and Identification begin January 1, 2010**

**“It is very important that customers visit [www.GatherGoGet.com](http://www.GatherGoGet.com) online to print their ‘personalized’ list of driver license or identification card requirements before visiting any driver license office,” says Pinellas County Tax Collector, Diane Nelson.**

COURTHOUSE CLEARWATER: Beginning January 1, 2010, new standards go into effect for obtaining and renewing driver licenses and identification cards. “Don’t wait until the last minute -- it is very important that customers visit [www.GatherGoGet.com](http://www.GatherGoGet.com) to get their own personalized list of requirements before visiting any driver license office,” says Pinellas County Tax Collector, Diane Nelson. You’ll be hearing a lot more about [www.GatherGoGet.com](http://www.GatherGoGet.com) as motorists will be required to prove their identity as they **Gather** documentation, **Go** to a Tax Collector or State Driver License office, and **Get** a new driver license or identification card.

Florida is leading the nation in an effort to provide residents with an even more secure identification card, which means:

- Current Florida license or ID cards will continue to be valid as identification for federal purposes until December 1, 2014 for individuals born after December 1, 1964 and December 1, 2017 for everyone else.
- After 2014 and 2017, federal agencies will no longer accept a driver license or ID card unless it is REAL ID compliant. You will not be allowed to board commercial flights or enter federal facilities unless you have compliant identification.

When visiting an office, you must bring original documents that prove your Identity, Social Security Number and Residential Address (cannot be a Post Office Box). Some examples of these are:

**Proof of Identity (BRING ONE)** – certified birth certificate (not hospital), valid US passport, certificate of naturalization or a consular report of birth abroad. (People who have had a legal name are required to present original or certified copies of all marriage certificates or court orders that show name changes.)

**Proof of Social Security Number (BRING ONE)** – social security card, W-2 form, pay check showing the number, DD-214, school records showing number, documentation from IRS showing number

**Proofs of Residential Address (BRING TWO)** – deed, mortgage, monthly mortgage statement or payment booklet or rental agreement • Florida voter registration card • Florida vehicle registration or title • W-2 form or 1099 • utility bill, hookup or work order not more than two months old • current automobile or homeowner’s insurance policy or bill • mail from financial institution not more than two months old • medical or health card with address • letter from shelter or half-way house verifying applicant lives at this address • current educational transcripts • statement from an accompanying parent, stepparent or guardian residing at the same address as applicant. The parent or guardian must present proof of residential address. *NOTE: Hand-written documents not accepted.*

Regardless of when your driver license is up for renewal, we suggest that all motorists visit [www.GatherGoGet.com](http://www.GatherGoGet.com) NOW to obtain a personalized list and gather the required documents before visiting a Tax Collector or Driver License office.

For more information about Florida ID and other Tax Collector services, please visit the website at [www.taxcollect.com](http://www.taxcollect.com) or call the award-winning e-Service Center where we “Answer Phones with Real People” at 727-464-7777, an important part of how we deliver “World-class Service, Anytime, Any Place.”

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