

PREPARING FOR REAL ID

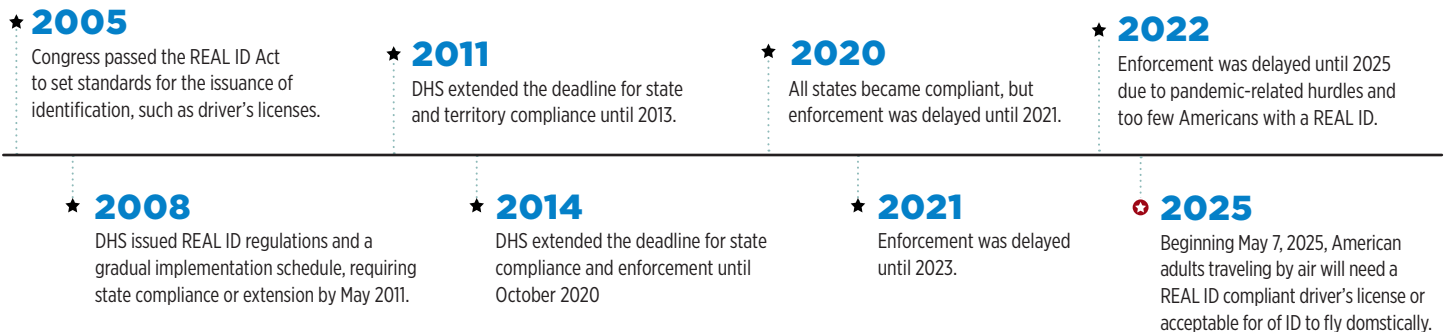


On May 7, 2025, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security will implement the last phase of REAL ID enforcement, which will require Americans to present a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or another acceptable form of ID to board a domestic flight or enter federal government facilities. **However, more than 100 million Americans still lack a REAL ID and it's time to reimagine how we use identification.**

HISTORY OF REAL ID ACT IMPLEMENTATION

REAL ID was implemented in the wake of 9/11 to strengthen identification standards. At the time of enactment, these standards were considered necessary to ensure confidence in identification issuance.

The problem: Identification standards implemented more than 15 years ago are no longer the most secure, efficient, or reliable standards for verifying someone's identity. Advances in technology, consumer behavior, and security have changed identification verification beyond what was available in 2005.



MODERNIZING IDENTIFICATION FOR THE FUTURE

REAL ID standards must be updated to anticipate the needs of future decades, recalibrating identification and credentials for a more modern world.

- 1 Modernize the REAL ID statute:** Amend the REAL ID Act to allow for mobile and web-based REAL ID applications and to permit TSA to accept mobile or digital REAL ID-compliant driver's licenses, which will reduce DMV backlogs and increase checkpoint efficiency.

ENSURE OUTDATED REAL ID STANDARDS DON'T DISRUPT AIR TRAVEL

- 2 Transition TSA checkpoints to automated identity verification:** Accelerate the implementation of automated identity verification technology, which will strengthen security, improve checkpoint efficiency and decrease the number of travelers that arrive at TSA checkpoints without accepted identifications.
- 3 Designate registered traveler enrollment as an acceptable alternative:** Utilize the existing security and identification features of trusted traveler programs, including TSA Precheck, to reduce the need for a REAL ID Act-compliant driver's license at airport checkpoints as they transition to automated identity verification.

