Obtaining a Texas Driver License

Step 1: Gather Required Documents

- Evidence of Lawful Presence
  - Unexpired foreign passport, Form I-94, or Form I-20

- Texas Residency
  - On-Campus
    - Go to the Residence Life Office and ask that they complete a Texas Residency Affidavit for you. This affidavit will verify that you are living on campus in Tarleton housing.
  - Off-Campus
    - Take any two of the following documents with you to your appointment to verify your Texas residency. Both documents must include your name and residential address and be printed. One of the documents must verify that you have lived in Texas for at least 30 days.
      - Current apartment lease
      - Utility or residential service bill dated within 90 days of your driver license appointment. Examples include electric, water, gas, internet, cable, streaming service, and cell phone.
      - Renter’s insurance policy, statement, or card
      - Automobile insurance policy, statement, or card
      - Valid, unexpired Texas motor vehicle registration or title
      - Tarleton transcript for the current school year
      - Preprinted Form W-2 from your employer or Form 1098-T from Tarleton for the most recent tax year
      - Mailed or printed electronic statements from financial institutions, including checking, savings, or credit card, dated within 90 days of your driver license application
      - EAD card, Form I-797C Notice of Action, or any other document issued by US Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS)

- Identity
  - Valid, unexpired foreign passport with attached visa (if applicable; visa may be expired but passport must be valid) and valid Form I-94

- Social Security Number
  - Have an SSN
    - Take your SSN card, Form W-2, paycheck stub, or Tarleton transcript showing your complete SSN – not just the last four digits. These documents must be originals, not copies.
  - Do Not Have an SSN
    - If you do not have an SSN, you will sign an affidavit attesting to the fact that you are not eligible for an SSN due to the fact that you do not have legal employment in the United States.

- Evidence of Texas Vehicle Registration*
• Proof of Insurance*

*If you do not own a vehicle, you will sign a statement affirming as such.

Step 2: Complete Required Courses

• 6-Hour Adult Driver Education Course (for drivers 18-24 years old)
  o Offered online or in person through a State of Texas Approved Driving School
  o Not required for drivers aged 25 years or older but is highly recommended
• Impact Texas Adult Drivers (for drivers 18 years of age and older)
  o Offered online

Step 3: Take and Pass a Driver License Road Test**

• Offered in person through a State of Texas Approved Driving School or at any Texas Driver License Office

Step 4: Apply for Driver License**

• Complete DL-14A – Texas Driver License Application
• Schedule an appointment with any Texas Driver License Office

**If you plan on taking your road test at a Driver License Office, then you need to schedule your appointment first. You will apply for your license and take your driving test at your appointment.

Step 5: Receive Temporary Driver License

• Once your driver license has been issued, you will receive a temporary driver license. Before leaving the driver license office, review the printed information on your temporary driver license for accuracy. If any of the information is incorrect, notify the License and Permit Specialist. Your new card will arrive in the mail in approximately 2 – 3 weeks. To check the mailing status of your card, visit our mailing status web page.

Source: https://www.dps.texas.gov/section/driver-license/how-apply-texas-driver-license