



SOUTH DAKOTA
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DRIVER LICENSING

Dear Sir/Madam,

One of the greatest added pressures on exam stations during the summer months is the influx of new drivers seeking their restricted permits and licenses. Examiners are working additional hours to help reduce the overflow effect when new drivers come in to the station to receive their licenses. In addition to what is already being done, one of our goals is to help educate students and teachers in drivers' education on the opportunity for applicants to upgrade their restricted license to an unrestricted (operator's) license through our online renewal process.

To take advantage of upgrading to an operator's license online the individual is required to be violation free for the last 6 months. If the driver has had any traffic convictions in the last 6 months they will not be eligible to upgrade. Another requirement is the applicant must be at least 16 years of age. During the process of online renewal the applicant completes an electronic application. If the applicant is under the age of 18, the applicant's parent/legal guardian will need to print off the parental consent form and have it signed by a notary public. Along with the application and parental consent form, the applicant will need to submit two address documents along with a copy of their compliant driver license. Once the central office in Pierre receives the documents, the documents are reviewed and it is determined if the applicant is eligible. If the applicant is eligible, a driver license will be mailed to the address on the application.

Below is the link to start the online renewal process:

<https://apps.sd.gov/ps09onlinerenewal/Login.aspx>

We encourage you to inform your students of this capability.
Thank you for your time and effort to help us better serve South Dakota.

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:
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118 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE
PIERRE SD 57501-2036

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