

# **Election Identification Certificates (EIC)**

# **Documentation Requirements**

To apply for an EIC, you must visit a driver license office and complete an **Application for Texas Election Certificate (DL-14C).** To qualify for an EIC, you must:

- Bring documentation to verify U.S. Citizenship
- Bring documentation to verify Identity
- Be eligible to vote in Texas \*(**Bring a valid voter registration card**, or submit a voter registration application to the Texas Department of Public Safety)
- Be a Texas resident
- Be 17 years and 10 months or older

## Acceptable forms of required documentation

## **U.S. Citizenship**

An applicant who is a U.S. citizen must present one of the following documents for verification through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

- Birth Certificate issued by a U.S. state, U.S. territory or District of Columbia; or
- For U.S. citizens born abroad—Certificate of Report of Birth (DS-1350 or FS-545) or Consular Report of Birth (FS-240) issued by the U.S. Department of State; or
- *U.S. Certificate of Citizenship or Certificate of Naturalization* (N-560, N-561, N-645, N-550, N-55G, N-570 or N-578); or
- U.S. Department of Justice Immigration and Naturalization Service U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197 or I-179)

### **Identity**

An applicant for an Election Identification Certificate (EIC) must provide documents satisfactory to the department to verify their identity. All documents must be verifiable.

There are three ways an individual can verify his/her identity when applying for an EIC:

- Bring one item listed in the primary identification category; or
- Bring two items listed in the secondary identification category; or
- Bring one item listed in the secondary identification category, plus two items listed in the supporting identification category.

#### To locate a DPS office near you, go to:

http://www.dps.texas.gov/administration/driver\_licensing\_control/rolodex/search.asp

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<sup>\*</sup>Applicants for an EIC must also be eligible to vote in Texas. That means you will have to **bring** your valid voter registration card to the office, or you will have to submit a voter registration application through the Texas Department of Public Safety at the office.

Primary Identification	Secondary ID	Supporting Identification
Applicants can present <b>ONE</b> of these <b>primary</b> documents:  Texas <b>driver license</b> or Texas <b>identification card</b> not expired more than 2 years. <b>Proof of citizenship</b> will be required if not previously established.  Unexpired <b>U.S. passport</b> book or card  U.S. <b>Certificate of Citizenship</b> or <b>Certificate of Naturalization</b> with identifiable photograph (N-560, N-561, N-645, N-550, N-55G, N-570 or N-578)  Unexpired <b>Department of Homeland Security</b> or <b>U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services</b> document with verifiable data and identifiable photo, such as one of the following:  U.S. Citizen Identification Card (I-179 or I-197)  Permanent Resident Card (I-551)  Foreign passport with attached temporary I-551 (immigrant visa endorsed with ADIT stamp)  Temporary Resident Identification Card (I-688)  Employment Authorization Card (I-766)  U.S. Travel Document (I-327 or I-571)  Advance Parole Document (I-512 or I-512L)  I-94 stamped Sec. 208 Asylee with photo  I-94 stamped Sec. 207 Refugee with photo  Refugee Travel Letter with photo, stamped by Customs and Border Protection	Applicants who do not have a primary document can present TWO secondary documents.  These items are recorded governmental documents (United States, one of the 50 states, a United States territory, or District of Columbia).  Original or certified copy of a birth certificate issued by the appropriate State Bureau of Vital Statistics or equivalent agency  Original or certified copy of United States Department of State Certification of Birth (issued to United States citizens born abroad)  Original or certified copy of court order with name and date of birth (DOB) indicating an official change of name	Applicants who do not have a primary document or two secondary documents can provide ONE secondary ID and TWO of these supporting documents:  • voter registration card • school records • insurance policy (at least two years old) • Texas vehicle or boat title or registration • military records • unexpired military dependent identification card • original or certified copy of marriage license or divorce decree • Social Security card • pilot's license • unexpired photo DL or photo ID issued by another (US) state, U.S. territory, the District of Columbia • expired photo DL or photo ID issued by another (US) state, U.S. territory, or the District of Columbia that is within two years of the expiration date • offender identification card or similar form of ID issued by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; • forms W-2 or 1099 • expired Texas driver license or personal identification certificate (expired more than two years) • professional license issued by Texas state agency • identification card issued by government agency • parole or mandatory release certificate issued by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice • federal inmate identification card • federal parole or release certificate • Medicare or Medicaid card • Selective Service card • immunization records
<ul> <li>Advance Parole Document (I-512 or I-512L)</li> <li>I-94 stamped Sec. 208 Asylee with photo</li> <li>I-94 stamped Sec. 207 Refugee with photo</li> <li>Refugee Travel Letter with photo, stamped by</li> </ul>	Original or certified copy of court order with name and date of birth (DOB) indicating an official change of name and/or gender	<ul> <li>parole or mandatory release certificate issued by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice</li> <li>federal inmate identification card</li> <li>federal parole or release certificate</li> <li>Medicare or Medicaid card</li> <li>Selective Service card</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Northern Mariana card (I-873)</li> <li>Foreign passport with attached visa and Form I-94</li> <li>Unexpired U.S. military ID card for active duty, reserve or retired personnel with identifiable photo.</li> </ul>	U.S. citizenship or naturalization papers without identifiable photo.	<ul> <li>Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood</li> <li>Veteran's Administration card</li> <li>hospital issued birth record</li> <li>any document that may be added to §15.24 of this title (relating to Identification of Applicants) other than those issued to persons who aren't citizens of the U.S.</li> </ul>

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