

STATE ID CARDS AND DRIVER'S LICENSE

DO NOT APPLY UNTIL YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE U.S. FOR TWO WEEKS!

- INTERNATIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSES may be used for up to **90 days**. After 90 days in the US, if you plan on driving you must obtain a Colorado Driver's License.
- CANADIAN, GERMAN, AND FRENCH AND SOUTH KOREA Driver's Licenses as well as all US state licenses are honored in Colorado and do not require a written test – driving test required.
- To Obtain a Colorado Driver's License or state issued ID:
 1. Visit the Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles at **2320 Reservoir Road, Greeley** Phone 970-352-5845
 2. Take your unexpired immigration documents:
 - Passport with visa
 - I-20 or DS-2019 from UNC
 - I-94 Arrival/Departure Record - information found at www.cbp.gov/I94
 - Proof of Residency – Bill with your name and address or letter with dates
 - If you are on OPT (F-1) or Academic Training (J-1), you must also bring
 - Employment Authorization Document for OPT (F-1) or your letter of authorization (J-1)

STOP: if all you need is a state ID

CONTINUE: if you are getting a drivers license

3. Study the Driver's Handbook
 - NOTE: *This is not required for holders of Canadian, French, German or other US State Driver's Licenses – BUT THE DMV WILL INVALIDATE YOUR HOME COUNTRY LICENSE. If you wish to keep that license, you must take all the tests.*
 - The Drivers Handbook can be found at: www.revenue.state.co.us/mv_dir/home.asp then click on "**Drivers Handbooks**" and choose "**Colorado Driver Handbook**"
 4. Get Learner's Permit and begin practicing
 5. Schedule appointment for the driving test and bring:
 - Proof of insurance for the car in which you will take your driving test
 - Immigration documents listed in #2 above
- Insurance is **required** for anyone who will own and drive a vehicle and is **recommended** for all people even if they do not own a vehicle.
 - Your Colorado Driver's License will be issued for the dates on your I-20 or DS-2019 up to 3 years and will be mailed to you. There will be no grace period on your license.
 - To renew your Driver's License, take all items in # 2, plus your I-20 or DS-2019 with your new program end date **OR** your EAD for OPT.

REMEMBER: This is a VERY busy office! They can better help you if you take all necessary documents and are patient with them.

REGISTERING CARS OR CHANGING LICENSE PLATES

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES LOCATION (DMV):

Weld County Offices

1402 N. 17th Avenue

Greeley, CO 80631

Phone: (970) 304-6520 ext. 3110

DIRECTIONS:

- Take 11th Avenue North to O Street
- Turn Left on O Street
- Turn Left onto 17th Avenue

BUSINESS HOURS:

Monday through Friday, 7:30am to 5pm

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

- Proof of automobile insurance
- Proof of ownership (title of vehicle)
- Proof of Vehicle Identification Number (out of state only)
- Photo I.D.
- Immigration documents (see instructions for driver's licenses)

FEE/COST:

- Depends on the vehicle
- For an estimate visit <http://www.co.larimer.co.us/motorv/estimate.htm#estimate>

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

Check or cash ONLY

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QUESTIONS: <http://www.co.weld.co.us/departments/clerkrecorder/motorv/registering.html>