

ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS

FACT SHEET



Act 152 of 2002 prohibits PennDOT from issuing or renewing driver license products for any person who is not a resident of the Commonwealth. Without a Pennsylvania address, no driver's license or photo identification card may be processed by PennDOT. This requirement is effective April 6, 2003.

Q: Are there any exemptions from the requirement to have a Pennsylvania address?

A: Yes, if your workplace is located out of state and you are employed by one of the following, you may qualify:

- U.S. Armed Forces
- Federal Government
- Pennsylvania Government

Q: Would a spouse or dependent child qualify?

A: Yes, as long as the spouse/parent was employed by one of the agencies listed previously.

Q: What do I need?

A: With your application, you should attach a copy of your photo identification card issued by your employer. Or, provide a letter from the employer to document your status, on their letterhead. If you are the immediate family of a person meeting one of the allowable exceptions, the documentation should be of the person employed. Additionally, you must indicate your relationship to that person.

Q: I am going to school out of state. Would I qualify for an exemption?

A: No, Pennsylvania law does not exempt students from the residency requirement.

Q: The state I am living in says I have to get a license there. What should I do?

A: Although Pennsylvania allows this exemption, you would still be subject to the laws of the state where you are residing. You may not hold a driver's license from more than one state.

Q: May I use a Post Office Box address on my license?

A: Pennsylvania law requires your residence address. You may use a PO Box in addition to your residence address, but not as the only address on your license.