



# Accepting Colorado Digital ID™ as Proof of Identification

*Learn how to verify age and identity for purchases and other services requiring identification.*

Colorado Digital ID, available in the myColorado™ mobile app Wallet, is a secure electronic version of a Colorado driver license or state identification card. Coloradans can use their Digital ID on a smartphone for proof of identity, age, and residency within the state, and Colorado businesses and government agencies are authorized to accept it, per Governor Polis' [Executive Order](#) and [press release](#).

Contact-free  
Digital ID!



## Why Accept the Colorado Digital ID?

All businesses can accept the Colorado Digital ID at this time, and they are encouraged to do so for these reasons:

- The **contact-free Digital ID is safer for your employees and customers!**
- The Digital ID is **updated daily**, giving you accurate status of age, address, and other information (such as organ donor or registered voter) compared to the polycarbonate ID that is printed once every four years.
- The Digital ID is a **secure, legal form of identification** in Colorado. As adoption of the Digital ID increases, residents will expect businesses to accept it just as they do the traditional polycarbonate ID.
- Security features (see below) have been included for **proof of authenticity**.
- New touchless technology is being developed that will allow businesses to verify identity without touching or seeing a customer's ID.

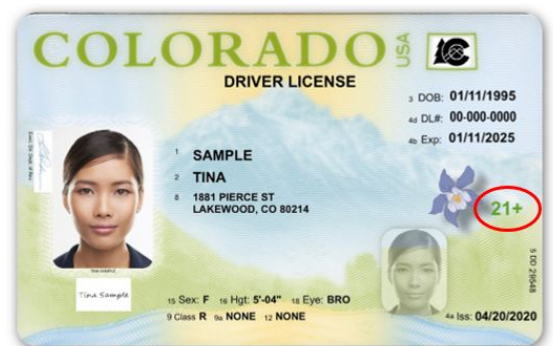
*Because Colorado Digital ID adoption will increase over time, and law enforcement is not yet required to accept it, Coloradans must also carry their physical driver license or state ID.*

## How to Validate a Colorado Digital ID

As with a traditional polycarbonate ID, it's critical to confirm that a Digital ID is authentic to comply with Colorado laws for verifying identification. Here are some ways to quickly validate a person's identity and age with the Digital ID.

### Visually inspect the Digital ID

- Ask the holder to rotate their phone to show the **free-floating flower hologram** move. If the image does not move, it is a static photo, indicating a counterfeit.
- Ask the holder to press on the screen with their finger to show the **text size enlarge**. If the text does not enlarge, the ID is a counterfeit.





- If you are still unsure, ask the holder to start over by *closing and reopening the myColorado app* to show their Digital ID.
- The Digital ID includes a feature people can use to *hide personal details that are not pertinent* for identity verification. For instance, to purchase alcohol, the holder can hide their address and birthdate using the toggle settings in the app. There is an indicator that shows if they are over 21.

### Scan the barcode

- Scan the 2D barcode on the “back” of the Digital ID, just as you do for polycarbonate driver license and ID cards. Ask the holder to swipe left to display the barcode.

If you suspect a Digital ID is fraudulent, you can ask to see the person’s polycarbonate ID. Do not take their phone away if you suspect fraud.



*A Colorado Digital ID is not a photograph of the holder’s driver license or state ID. The Digital ID is dynamically populated when the holder logs in to the myColorado app.*

## Updated State Rules for Accepting Digital ID

**Liquor Rules:** For Colorado Liquor Rules identifying Digital ID as an acceptable form of identification, visit the [Colorado Secretary of State site](#) and reference CCR 203-2, Regulation 47-912 - Identification, paragraph A.

**Marijuana Rules:** For Colorado Marijuana Rules identifying digital ID as an acceptable form of identification, visit the [Colorado Secretary of State site](#) and reference CCR 212-3, 3-405 - Identification, paragraph C.

## Questions? We’re Here to Help!

To learn more about the myColorado app and Colorado Digital ID:

- Visit [mycolorado.state.co.us](https://mycolorado.state.co.us) where you’ll find [video tutorials](#), [frequently asked questions](#), and a [form](#) on the [businesses page](#) to [join the myColorado Partner Program and order free window stickers](#) to show customers that your business accepts the Digital ID.
- Contact the myColorado support team by providing details in this [form](#) or by calling 303.562.9855.
- Download the myColorado app from the [Google Play](#) or [Apple App Store](#), and start using your Digital ID with other merchants to get familiar with how it works.