



How to obtain or renew a Michigan Driver license:

To apply for a Michigan Driver's License, you must bring the following information with you:



- SSN Card with your number
- Passport with valid VISA and I94 card
- Original foreign driver license with original translation from a certified translation company
- Proof of Michigan residency—must include the applicant's name and Michigan home residential address. The following items will work:
 - Copy of your apartment or house lease (with phone number of leasing agency or landlord; all kids have to be included in the lease contract)
 - Bank statement with names of BOTH spouses and home address on it
 - Gas, water, electric, or phone bill with home address on it (cell phone bills are not accepted) BOTH names have to be appear on the bills!
 - Home or auto insurance policy (the whole policy has to be shown, with name and phone number of insurance agent)
- \$25- cash (no checks or credit cards taken)
- Convert height from meters into feet/inches, and weight from kilos to pounds

Your picture will be taken for the license, and you will be given a temporary permit to take with you. Keep this permit with you at all times. You will receive the permanent license in the mail within 4 weeks.

Postage:

As of **May 12th** the postage for a single normal letter is increasing to **42cent** per letter.

Postcard in USA: **27 cents**

Letter to Germany: **94 cent**

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Check out: www.usps.com/prices



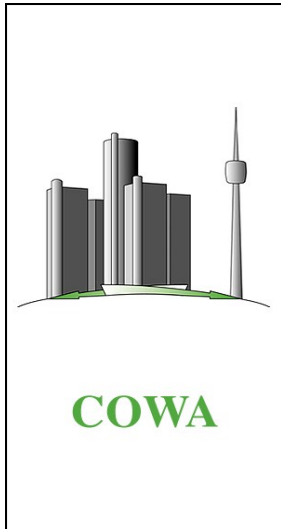
Road Construction:

As the snow is melting be aware of the constructions:

Don not speed - slow down!

If you cause injury or death to roadside construction workers or operators are subject to fines of up to \$7500 and imprisonment of up to 15years.





SUMMERCAMPS - it is time to look ...

Spring is around the corner and it is already time to think about the summer camps for the little ones—and the little bit older once —there will be summer vacation from Mid June till End of August. There are day camps for a few hours up to the whole day. And if your little one is really brave there is always the overnight camp. So check the local newspaper and organizations:



The **YMCA** offer great day and over night camps. Check out your local YMCA branch for the brochure or go online at www.ymcadetroit.org or check out www.pendalouan.org

Oakland Yard Athletics offers Summer Adventure Camps from June 9th till Aug 22nd—go on www.oaklandyard.com or call 248.673.0100

The City of Rochester Hills **Environmental Education Center** offers Summer Camps for outdoor fun —call 248.656.4775 for information.

For **sport camps** check out: www.orchardlakecamps.com or go to www4.oakland.edu for the Oakland University Summer Camps.

For **ballet** between July7th and Aug 22nd check out www.annetteandcompany.com

Don't forget to check out the community centers nearby and your own school and not only your own school —they all offer different types of summer camps.

Check out : www.mysummercamps.com—www.summertime.org—www.schoolcraft.edu—www.lifetimefitness.com—www.aca-michigan.org

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MOTHERS DAY

May 10th: don't forget to buy some flowers—maybe on the Eastern Market downtown ?
www.detroiteasternmarket.com



The **Holland Tulip Festival (May 6-10)** is a great place to celebrate Spring. Only a few hours drive, it's perfect for a daytrip. For more details, go to: www.holland.org

BIKING - HIKING - SWIMMING

Spend your time outside

at Oakland County Parks, \$30 buys your ticket to family fun! Annual Vehicle Permits are valid at six Oakland County Parks plus enjoy free parking at the 4th of July fire works.

Biking on Oakland County Parks trails can be fun for the whole family.

Campouts for the whole family or check out the two **Waterparks**: Red Oaks Waterpark in Madison Heights or Waterford Oaks Waterpark near Pontiac

Go to www.oakgov.com/parksrec and www.metroparks.com for more detailed information.

Don't forget to plan an outdoor **barbeque** on **Memorial Day (May 26th this year)**. If it rains, as it sometimes does in May, just take the party indoors! This national holiday is a day of remembrance for those who have died serving the country. It is also the **unofficial "kickoff" of Summer in Michigan**.



**We wish everyone a great Spring Season!
Your COWA Team**