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Title 13, Division 1, Chapter 1

Article 2. Driver Licenses and Identification Cards

§15.07 Reduced Fee Identification Cards.

- (a) The department shall issue an identification card to an applicant for a reduced fee, as specified in Section 423.00 of Article 6, if, in addition to the other requirements for obtaining a card, the applicant presents a Reduced Fee Identification Card Eligibility Verification, form DL 937 (Rev. 3/20165/2021), which is hereby incorporated by reference, completed by a qualified verifier of income establishing the applicant is a qualified low-income person.
- (b) A qualified low-income person is one whose income meets the eligibility requirements of, or is receiving public benefits under, any of the following programs:
 - (1) California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act/CalWORKs (Welf. and Inst. Code sec. 11200);
 - (2) Burton-Moscone-Bagley Citizens' Income Security Act for Aged, Blind, and Disabled Californians (Welf. and Inst. Code sec. 12000);
 - (3) County or city general assistance programs (Welf. and Inst. Code sec.17000);
 - (4) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/Cal Fresh (Welf. and Inst. Code sec.18930);
 - (5) Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants/California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) (Welf. and Inst. Code sec.18900); and/or
 - (6) Cash Assistance Program for Aged, Blind and Disabled Legal Immigrants/Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI) (Welf. and Inst. Code sec.18937);
- (b)(c) A qualified verifier of income is a person who regularly verifies income for eligibility for the programs listed in subdivision (a)(b) as an employee or volunteer of either:
 - (1) A governmental entity, or
 - (2) A nonprofit organization registered with the Internal Revenue Service as a non-profit organization that has a physical location within California, and regularly assists members of the public with applications for benefits under the programs listed in subsection (a)(b).
- (e)(d) A qualified verifier of income shall review the applicant's documents, evidence or other information typically required to determine eligibility for benefits and conclude the information more likely than not meets the income eligibility requirements for a benefit listed in subsection (a)(b) complete and sign form DL 937 under penalty of perjury, and retain for one year all documents and evidence relied on to verify income of the applicant.

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- (d)(e) The certification of eligibility in form DL 937 shall be completed and dated within 90 days of the application for the reduced fee identification card.
- (e)(f) A verifier mayshall not charge a fee for complying with this regulation.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1651, 1678 and 14902, Vehicle Code. Reference: Sections 1678 and 14902, Vehicle Code.

- §15.08 No Fee Identification Cards.
- (a) The department shall issue an identification card to an applicant without charging a fee if, in addition to the other requirements for obtaining a card, the applicant presents a No Fee Identification Card Eligibility Verification, form DL 933 (Rev. 6/20165/2021), which is hereby incorporated by reference, completed by a qualified verifier of housing status establishing the applicant is a qualified homeless person.
- (b) A qualified homeless person is a person whose housing status has been verified by a qualified housing status verifier as meeting the definition of homeless in subsection (b)(c).
- (b)(c) Homeless means any of the following:
 - (1) Currently at risk of losing permanent housing within the next 14 days;
 - (2) Currently without permanent housing;
 - (3) Currently with permanent housing but meets all of the following criteria:
 - (A) has experienced a long-term period without living independently in permanent housing;
 - (B) has experienced persistent instability as measured by frequent moves over such period;
 - (C) can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse, the presence of a child or youth with disability, or multiple barriers to employment.
 - (4) Currently has permanent housing but is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions in the individual's permanent housing, including where the health and safety of children are jeopardized, and has no other residence and lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing.
- (e)(d) "Permanent housing" means a regular, fixed, residential structure appropriate for human habitation. Permanent housing does not include shelters or other temporary living arrangements provided by a government program or charitable organization.

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- (d)(e) A qualified verifier of housing status is a person who regularly verifies housing status for eligibility for homeless services in California, and is or works for one of the following:
 - (1) Government agency receiving federal, state, or county or municipal funding to provide services to a qualified homeless person or that is otherwise sanctioned to provide those services by a local homeless continuum of care organization;
 - (2) Local education agency homeless liaison identified by the California Department of Education on its web page entitled Resources for Homeless Children and Youths located at http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/hs/;
 - (3) Public social services provider funded by the State of California;
 - (4) Human services provider funded by the State of California;
 - (5) Non-profit entity or organization that meets all of the following:
 - (A) physically resides in California;
 - (B) registered with the Internal Revenue Service under the Internal Revenue Service Code as a non-profit organization; and
 - (C) either receives federal, state, county or municipal funding to provide services to the homeless or is otherwise sanctioned to provide those services by a local continuum of care organization.
 - (6) Attorney licensed to practice in California;
 - (7) Law enforcement officer designated as a liaison to the homeless population by a local police department or sheriff's department within the state.
- (e)(f) A qualified verifier of housing status shall review the applicant's documents, evidence, or other information typically relied on to verify housing status in the normal course of the verifier's homeless services work, conclude the applicant is homeless, complete and sign form DL 933 under penalty of perjury, and retain for one year all documents and evidence relied on to determine the housing status of the applicant as homeless as defined in subsection (b)(c).
- (f)(g) The certification of eligibility on form DL 933 shall be completed and dated within 90 days of the application for the no fee identification card.
- (g)(h) A verifier may shall not charge a fee for complying with this regulation.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1651, 1678 and 14902, Vehicle Code. Reference: Sections 1678 and 14902, Vehicle Code; and 42 U.S.C sections 11302 and 11434a(2).