# -ACCEPTABLE PHOTO IDS-

Information Provided by the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board

## WHAT DO VOTERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PHOTO ID IN WISCONSIN?

You probably already have a Photo ID for voting!

While there is not a separate "Voter ID" card there are many other forms of Photo ID, which you may already have, that can be used to vote. If you already have a Wisconsin driver license, you do not need (and cannot get), a WI state ID card simply in order to vote. Anyone with a valid Wisconsin driver license or Wisconsin state ID card, or any of the documents listed below, already has the photo ID they need for voting purposes.

## WHAT CAN I USE AS PHOTO ID TO VOTE?

You can use these IDs to vote:

The following photo IDs are acceptable for voting purposes, and can be unexpired or expired after the date of the most recent general election (currently, the November 6, 2012 election):

- A Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended
- o A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card
- o Military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service
- o A U.S. passport book or card

## The following photo IDs are also acceptable for voting purposes, but must be unexpired:

- o A certificate of naturalization that was issued not earlier than two years before the date of an election at which it is presented
- o A driver license receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days)
- o An identification card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days)
- o An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin
- A photo identification card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college that contains the following:
  - -- Date of Issuance
  - -- Signature of Student
  - -- Expiration date no later than two years after date of issuance
  - -- The university or college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment

## What needs to be on my Photo ID?

The following things must be included on any of the Photo IDs listed above:

o Elector's Photograph

The photograph must reasonably resemble the elector.

o Elector's Name

The elector's name must conform to the name on their voter registration. Conform does not mean that the name must be identical to the name on the voter registration.

o **An Expiration Date** within the deadlines described above

An Acceptable Photo ID <u>does not</u> have to include a current address.

For detailed information about the Voter Photo ID law, visit <u>bringit.wi.gov</u>. For other information on the Government Accountability Board, visit <u>http://gab.wi.gov</u> or call the G.A.B. Help Desk at 1-866-VOTE-WIS or 608-261-2028.

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#### ARE THERE ANY PHOTO IDS I CANNOT USE TO VOTE?

You can NOT use these IDs to vote:

The following photo IDs are <u>NOT</u> acceptable for voting purposes:

- o Military Veteran Affairs IDs
- State or Federal government employee IDs
- o An out-of-state driver license or identification card
- o Employment IDs
- o Membership or Organization IDs
- o Certificates of Citizenship

#### ARE THERE ANY PHOTO IDS THAT CAN BE USED FOR VOTING THAT DO NOT HAVE A PHOTO ON THEM?

These IDs without photos may be used for voting:

Yes. The following documents, which do not contain a photo, can be used for voting purposes:

- o **A citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend a driver license**, which is dated within 60 days of the date of the election. If your driver license has been taken away by law enforcement or a court, you may present written documentation of that fact in order to vote without your photo ID.
- A Wisconsin DOT Temporary Driving or Identification Receipt, issued when the DMV is experiencing equipment and printing difficulties, valid for 60 days from issuance.
- o **A Wisconsin DOT driver license or identification card without a photo**, issued to those electors with a religious objection to being photographed.

## IS THERE ANYONE WHO DOES NOT NEED TO SHOW PHOTO ID?

These electors do NOT need to show Photo ID:

Yes. The following electors do NOT need to show a Photo ID:

- o **Confidential electors are always exempt from Photo ID requirements.** Confidential electors have applied for this status with their municipal clerk, and have presented a court order, a letter from law enforcement, a letter from the staff of a domestic abuse shelter, or the staff of an agency assisting victims of domestic abuse.
- Military and Overseas voters are not required to present Photo ID when they vote by absentee ballot, but if they vote in-person, they must present Photo ID.
- Indefinitely confined voters and voters in special care facilities can provide a
  witness signature on their absentee ballot certificate envelope in substitute for showing
  Photo ID.