

Renewing Your Driver License or Non-Driver ID Early

--An Option for Customers Upgrading to an Enhanced Driver License (EDL)--



You may now apply for an Enhanced Driver License (EDL) or non-driver ID even if your current license or ID is not about to expire.

You can amend your license and the expiration date will not change OR you can renew your license for up to 8 years (4, 8, or up to 10 years if you have a non-driver ID).

Making the Decision to Extend Your Renewal Date

You can upgrade your current license to an EDL **prior to the renewal date** with **no change in the expiration date**, paying only \$40 (\$30 EDL fee plus a \$10 document fee). Or, you can obtain your EDL as part of an **early renewal option** that **extends the expiration date** of your current license. You will pay the \$40 EDL fee plus an additional fee to extend your license expiration date, but your new document will not expire for 8 years.

The additional fee is based on your license class as follows:

Class D Driver License: \$2.50 per six-month period

Class M or DM Motorcycle License: \$3.50 per six-month period

Class C License: \$5.00 per six-month period

Class E License: \$5.00 per six-month period

Commercial Driver License (CDL): \$7.50 per six-month period

Note: If you decide to amend rather than renew your license, you should be aware that the \$30 EDL fee will be charged upon each subsequent renewal. However, choosing the renewal option will defer payment of the EDL fee again until your next renewal.

For example:

- If your current Class D driver license expires in 3 years, the fee to **renew** your license and **extend the expiration date** by 5 years will be \$65 (\$40 EDL fee plus a \$25 license fee). You will not be required to renew your license or pay the fee for another 8 years.
- If your current Class D driver license expires in 3 years, and you choose to **amend** your license (upgrade to the EDL **without extending your expiration date**), you will pay the \$40 EDL fee. You will be required to pay the EDL fee plus the license fee again in 3 years when your license expires for a total of \$80.

In the first example, you pay more now, but your enhanced document is **valid for 8 years**.

In the second example, you pay less now, but will have to **renew sooner and pay the EDL fee again**.

You may use the EDL calculator at nysdmv.com/edl-early.htm to see what your total fee will be for each option when converting to an EDL.

The choice is yours, based on which option is best for you.

For a complete list of DMV office locations, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), downloadable forms and more information on New York State's EDL program visit www.nysdmv.com/edl.htm. You may also call the NYS DMV EDL Helpline to speak with a representative Monday through Friday, except state holidays, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., toll-free from within NYS, at 1-800-381-5451.



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