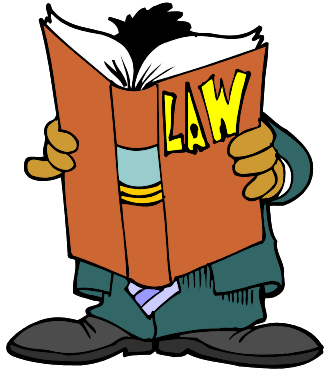


# Changes in Texas Property Tax Laws



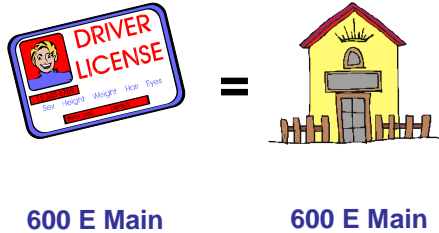
## Affecting Residential Homestead Exemptions

Effective September 1, 2013, in order to qualify for a residential homestead exemption you must provide the appraisal district with a copy of:

- Either your Texas driver's license or Texas ID Card, and

*The address on your driver's license (or state ID card), must match the physical address of the residence for which you are applying.*

Remember: Your physical street address must match the address on your driver's license or state ID card. Both must have the same address.



**If the address information on your driver's license not match the physical address of your homestead property, the exemption request will be denied until the information has been updated.**

*The following information is provided to assist you in updating the information on these additional documents.*

### Update Texas Driver's License Information

If you have a current Texas driver's license and you move to a new location in Texas you have 30 days to change the address on your driver's license. The simplest way to do this is online. Go to [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us) and follow the instructions for changing your address. **You will need to have a valid credit card for paying the \$10.00 fee, and you will need access to a printer so that you can print out your temporary receipt.** Otherwise, call or go in person to a Texas DPS.

**For a new Texas driver's license (first time license or moving to Texas from out of state)** go in person to a DPS location. You will need to complete an application, provide proof of identity (proof of Social Security, birth certificate, or an out of state driver's license), provide proof of vehicle registration, consent to be photographed, fingerprinted, and provide a signature. You will need to pass a vision examination.

**First time applicants** need to schedule a time for taking the driving test and pass both the driving and written test. Out of state applicants should apply within 90 days after entry into the state and need to be prepared to surrender their valid out of state driver's license upon application.

### Texas DPS Meridian Office

This office is located at the Annex Building on Hwy 174  
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