

TECHNICAL ADVISORY

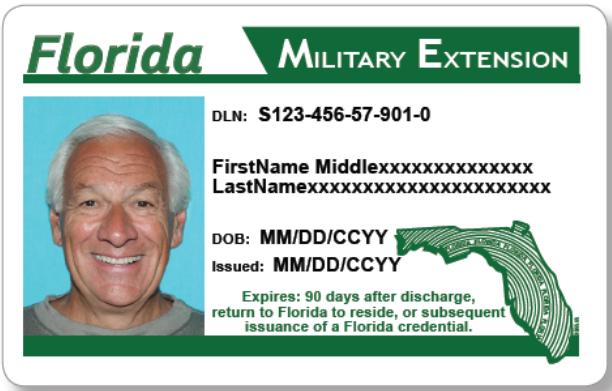
DIVISION OF MOTORIST SERVICES

DATE: 04/23/2019	Technical Advisory (TA) Number DL19-005
SUBJECT: Military Extension Cards	

Overview:

Beginning January 2018, the Department stopped renewing driver licenses for out-of-state or out-of-country military members and their dependents who are ineligible for a convenience (online or mail-in) renewal. Military members may apply for a Military Extension card at no charge. The Military Extension card will extend their current license for 90 days after discharge, return to the state to reside or subsequent issuance of a Florida credential at a state or tax collector service center in Florida. The new Military Extension card will be carried with their Florida driver license and active duty military identification card.

Sample Military Extension Card



Details:

The military extension card remains valid until one of the following events occurs:

- Customer has been discharged from the military for 90 days
- Customer returns to Florida to reside
- A Florida credential is issued

To receive the extension card while out of state, the active duty member or their dependent(s) must complete a military affidavit/application certifying active duty

status in the U.S. Armed Forces, stationed outside of Florida and they must provide a copy of the member's current military orders.

The application can be found on the Department's webpage dedicated to military members <https://www.flhsmv.gov/military/>. Once completed, the application maybe sent by e-mail, fax, or mailed to the Bureau of Credentialing Services.

The Bureau of Credentialing Services has a military liaison specialist to handle military-related driver license and motor vehicle inquiries. The liaison will communicate directly with military officials to assist in the acquisition of the appropriate documentation needed for issuance and, when necessary, handle the processing and distribution of driver license extension cards. All requests must be sent to the department via the following methods:

E-Mail: MilitaryID@flhsmv.gov OR
Fax: (850) 617-5034 OR
Mailing Address: Bureau of Credentialing Services
2900 Apalachee Parkway – MS 92
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Commercial Driver License holders are ineligible for military extensions; they must be renewed in person at a state or tax collector service center.

When the military member returns to Florida and applies for a renewal, delinquent renewal fees are waived. REAL ID documents must be presented if the customer is not REAL ID compliant.

Please refer to the Driver License Operation Manual, License Issuance Procedure/Non-Commercial Driver License section LIP01.7.5 for further details.

Conclusion:

If you need additional information, please ask your supervisor or manager to contact the Field Support Center.