

TULALIP TRIBES

Enhanced Tribal ID Cards FAQs

Do I have to get an enhanced ID?

No. We will still offer one regular Tribal ID per year at no cost to tribal members.

Are enhanced IDs available for children?

Yes, they are available, but the Real ID Act requires a photo ID for flying and border crossings only for people over 18.

Are enhanced IDs available for spouses?

We are not offering enhanced IDs for spouses. Check with your local State licensing agency for information about an Enhanced Identification (EID) for your spouse.

<https://dol.wa.gov/id-cards/enhanced-id-card-eid>

How much will it cost?

The initial adult card costs \$60.00, and renewals cost \$40.00. For minors, the initial card is \$30.00, and renewals are \$20.00. If you need a replacement—lost or stolen cards—at least 6 months before the expiration date, it will cost \$100.00. If the card is lost or stolen a second time, clients must wait 1 year for replacement.

How do I pay?

You can pay at the Administration Building finance window – they accept debit cards.

What does the money from my ID go to?

The fees collected go back into the budget to cover the cost of card materials.

How often do I have to renew?

Adults and minors must renew every six years. The cards need an expiration date, not because you stopped being yourself or because there is an expiration date on being Native. These are identification cards, and our looks change over time. To ensure you can be identified with your identification cards, you must resemble yourself in the picture.

What documents do I have to bring?

We can't use the contents of your file—you must bring in an original birth certificate or US passport, a piece of mail at your current address, and legal documents (marriage, divorce, etc.) for name changes, if applicable.

Why do I have to bring original documents?

The application process is like applying for a US passport. As part of the MOA, we authenticate any supporting documents. We need to see and feel the original for security features to verify the document's validity.

What happens if I don't get an enhanced ID?

If you want to fly within the US after May 7, 2025, you will need a Tribal or State Enhanced ID.

Does the ID work for my gas discount?

The Enhanced ID will not work for your gas discount.

What should I wear for my photo?

Avoid white shirts because the background is white, aim to style your hair and makeup, and wear clothing similar to your most common everyday look. If you wear glasses, keep them on. If you do not look like your ID picture, you may have challenges using it for flying or border crossings.

