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TO: All Enforcement Agencies and Magistrates

SUBJECT: Changes to the NYS Driver License, Learner Permit and Non-Driver Identification Card-Document Number and Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credentials

Effective January 29, 2014, revisions were made to the New York State Driver License, Learner Permit and Non-Driver Identification card (document) to display Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credentials. Consequently, the look of the document, location of the document number and appearance of Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credentials have been changed. These credentials may be referred to as the Adventure License.









Location of the Document Number: On all documents issued on or after 1/29/14, the 10 digit alpha-numeric document number will no longer be displayed on the front lower right-hand corner of the document. It will be displayed on the back of the document. For Enhanced documents, the document number will be located in the top line of the Machine Readable Zone (MRZ) following the words "IDUSA". For non-enhanced documents, the document number will be located on the back above the box labeled "I hereby make an anatomical gift". See the attachment for a picture of the new location of the document number. **Please note: the document number will still be displayed on the front lower right-hand corner for documents issued prior to 1/29/14 and will be in circulation for up to 10 years.**

Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credentials (Adventure License): Customers now have the option of having their Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credentials displayed as icons on their NYS Driver License, Learner Permit or Non-Driver Identification card. These lifetime credentials include: Sportsman (renamed Lifetime License on 2/1/14), Small/Big Game (renamed Lifetime Hunting on 2/1/14), Bow Hunting, Trapping, Muzzle Loading, Fishing (Freshwater), Boating Safety and Empire Passport. The icons shown in the table below will be displayed in the front lower right-hand corner of the

driver license, learner permit or non-driver identification card. These icons represent that the customer holds a lifetime license with either NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) or NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

Notation of these icons on a customer's document will be displayed in NYSPIN and on the customer's DMV record.

Any question of the validity of a customer's privilege to hold a Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credential should be verified with the agency issuing the Lifetime Sporting/Recreational Credential, OPRHP or DEC. DMV will only have a record that these icons should appear on the customer's driver license, permit or non-driver identification card.

License Type	Agency Issued From	Icon
Lifetime Sportsman (two icons will print) For licenses sold on 2/1/14 or after, named Lifetime License	DEC	
Lifetime Small/Big Game For lifetime licenses sold on 2/1/14 or after, named Lifetime Hunting	DEC	
Lifetime Bow Hunting	DEC	
Lifetime Trapping	DEC	
Lifetime Muzzle Loading	DEC	
Lifetime Fishing (Freshwater)	DEC	
Boating Safety Certificate	OPRHP	
Lifetime Empire Passport	OPRHP	

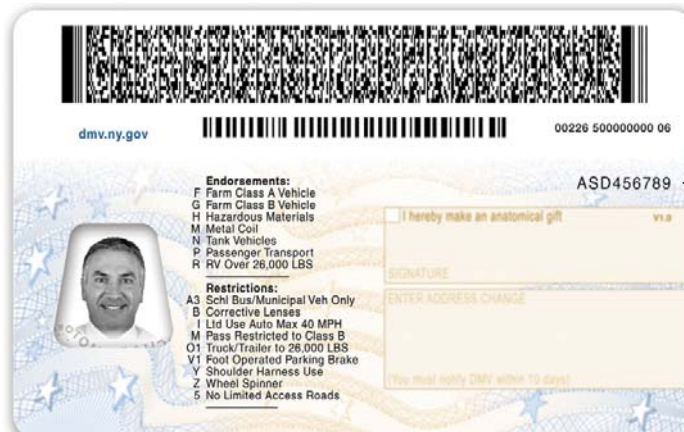
Please share this information with appropriate staff. Thank you.

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Attachment



Sporting/Recreational Icons



Document Number Non-Enhanced



Document Number Enhanced