



HOW TO GET AND READ AN INDIANA DRIVING RECORD

1. Get Driving Record




Online

- a. Go to www.myBmv.com
- b. Create an account. If you already have an account just login
 - The Viewable Driving Record is free to view and print
 - The Official Driving Record is available for a small fee and may be best if filing papers in court

-or-

Mail

- a. Go to www.in.gov/bmv/resources/driver-record/ and print and complete State Form 53789
 - b. Request an Official Driving Record by mailing a check to:
Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Attn: Records Request
100 N. Senate Ave, Rm N412
Indianapolis, IN 46204
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2. Review Driving Record: Find License Status

The top of a driving record includes the *license status* and will say either suspended or valid.

- a. A valid license is one a person can use to drive
- b. A suspended license is one a person cannot use to drive



3. If a License is Suspended: Review the Record

Look for Active Suspensions

[*] Means Active Suspension

The event has not been taken care of and *does* keep a person from driving.

[**] Means Not Active, or Stayed Suspension

The event has been taken care of and *does not* keep a person from driving.

Look for Effective Date

The date the license was no longer valid

Look for Expiration Date (Date Suspension Ends)

- If the expiration date says *indefinite*, the suspension does not automatically expire or end. This means a person must take action in order to take care of the suspension.
- Things a person *might* need to do include: take a course, pay a fine, get proof of insurance.

Look at the Mail Date

To learn when the suspension notice was mailed to you

Look at the Fee Due Column to See What is Owed

- If a fee is listed [inside brackets], the fee is due but does not need to be paid in order to drive.
- If a fee is listed and not inside brackets then the fee needs to be taken care of.
- Ways to take care of some fees include: paying the fee, asking a court to waive the fee, or getting special insurance (often called SR-22 insurance). Review the “Back on the Road” pamphlet for more information.

4. Review Each Reason for Suspension

Consider whether *all* the reasons for suspension can be fixed.

It is always best to talk to a lawyer before filing anything in court.

Free and low cost legal help is available throughout Indiana.

Visit www.indianalegalhelp.org for help near you.