

# Evidence of age documents

The *Liquor Licensing Act 1990* requires that evidence of age documents be used to prove that a person is 18 years of age or over and is legally able to purchase liquor and/or remain in restricted and prohibited areas of a licensed premises.

## 72A. Young person not to produce false evidence of identity

A person under the age of 18 years must not use a false document in order to do, or attempt to do, anything that a person under that age is prohibited from doing by or under this Act.

Penalty: Fine not exceeding 10 penalty units (\$1 630 for 2018–19).

## 73. Liquor not to be purchased by young people

A person under the age of 18 years shall not purchase liquor.

Penalty: Fine not exceeding 10 penalty units (\$1 630 for 2018–19).

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## Which documents are acceptable?

Five forms of proof of age are acceptable in licensed venues, with Australia Post Keypass identity card accepted in the digital version (Keypass in Digital iD™). Acceptable documents include:

- driver's licence issued in Australia;
- firearms licence;
- passport;
- Keypass identity card (including Keypass in Digital iD™);
- a document issued by a Federal, state or territory government department that shows the holder's name, photograph and age.

### Current Driver's licence



### Proof of Age card



## Passport



## Keypass identity card



## Tips for checking whether ID is genuine

### Hard copy ID

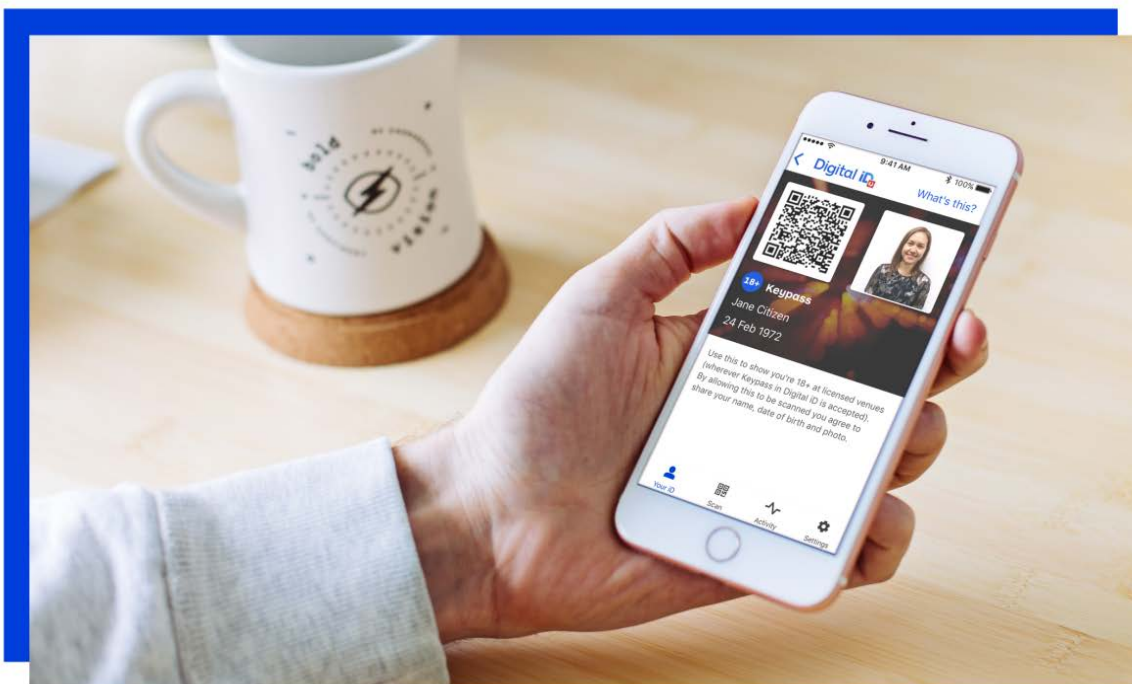
- Examine ID in well-lit areas where any alterations will be more obvious (have an initial checkpoint at the front door).
- Ask patrons to remove their ID from wallets and purses for inspection.
- Hold the ID in your own hands and take your time examining it.
- Feel around the photo, date of birth and edges of cards, especially those enclosed in plastic (wrinkles, bumps and air bubbles could mean it has been tampered with).
- Compare the photo with the patron (pay particular attention to distinguishing facial features - do they match?).
- Check that the date of birth on the ID confirms the patron is over 18 years (driver's licences and some other forms of ID can be issued to young people).
- Ask a patron to sign a piece of paper and match it to the ID.
- Ensure the ID includes a hologram or other security feature.

Be aware that security features are constantly improving and as a result not all documents will look the same.

## Digital ID

- **Sight:** by matching the person's face to the photo on their Digital iD profile and check the 18+ Keypass badge to verify they are over 18 years of age (the same as they would if they produced a physical licence).
- **Shake:** by asking the patron to shake the phone or tap their Digital iD profile photo to activate screenshot protection - this displays an animation, confirming the Digital iD is not a screenshot.
- **Scan:** Scan the QR code on the Keypass screen by using a scanning machine or a phone or tablet with the Digital iD™ app.

If you are presented with a false Digital iD, you are to take a picture of the iD and refer the matter to the Police for investigation.



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