ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION (EXTRACTED FROM FIPS 201-2)

During identity proofing, the applicant shall be required to provide two forms of identity source documents in original form. The identity source documents shall be bound to that applicant and shall be neither expired nor cancelled. If the two identity source documents bear different names, evidence of a formal name change shall be provided. The primary identity source document shall be one of the following forms of identification:

- a U.S. Passport or a U.S. Passport Card;
- a Permanent Resident Card or an Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551);
- a foreign passport;
- an Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph (Form I-766);
- a Driver's license or an ID card issued by a state or possession of the United States provided it contains a photograph;
- a U.S. Military ID card;
- a U.S. Military dependent's ID card; or
- a PIV Card.

The secondary identity source document may be from the list above, but cannot be of the same type as the primary identity source document. The secondary identity source document may also be one of the following:

- a U.S. Social Security Card issued by the Social Security Administration;
- an original or certified copy of a birth certificate issued by a state, county, municipal authority, possession, or outlying possession of the United States bearing an official seal;
- an ID card issued by a federal, state, or local government agency or entity, provided it contains a photograph;
- a voter's registration card;
- a U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card;
- a Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561);
- a Cortificate of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570);
- a U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197);
- an Identification Card for Use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179);
- a Certification of Birth Abroad or Certification of Report of Birth issued by the Department of State (Form FS-545 or Form DS-1350);
- a Temporary Resident Card (Form I-688);
- an Employment Authorization Card (Form I-688A);
- a Reentry Permit (Form I-327);
- a Refugee Travel Document (Form I-571);
- an Employment authorization document issued by Department of Homeland Security (DHS);
- an Employment Authorization Document issued by DHS with photograph (Form I-688B);
- a driver's license issued by a Canadian government entity; or
- a Native American tribal document.
- Departments and agencies may choose to accept only a subset of the identity source documents listed in this section. For example, in cases where identity proofing for PIV Card issuance is performed prior to verification of employment authorization, departments and agencies may choose to require the applicant to provide identity source documents that satisfy the requirements of Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, in addition to the requirements specified in this section. It is recommended that departments and agencies perform electronic verification of identity source documents, where possible.
- For example, if the primary source document is a foreign passport (e.g., Italy), the secondary source document should not be another foreign passport (e.g., France).