

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION

Texas notaries must identify signers through personal knowledge or satisfactory evidence of identity as defined by Texas law.

Satisfactory evidence includes a current government-issued identification credential that contains a photograph and signature.

Primary Acceptable Identification

- Texas Driver License or State ID
- Driver License or ID issued by another U.S. state
- U.S. Passport or Passport Card
- U.S. Military Identification Card
- Permanent Resident Card (Green Card)
- Foreign Passport (if stamped by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services)

Identification Must

Be government-issued

Contain a photograph

Include a signature

Be current or not expired

Match the name on the document

Generally Not Acceptable:

- Social Security cards
- Birth certificates
- Credit or debit cards
- Expired IDs
- IDs without a photo or signature

Important: The name on the ID must match the name on the document. The notary must not proceed if identity cannot be satisfactorily established.