

TO READ A DRIVER HISTORY RECORD ABSTRACT

You can review all items by referring to the example of a driver abstract provided in this booklet and matching it to the item reference letters below.

(a) Printout Of New Jersey Driver License Only

In this case, the driver license (DL) number S5778-40771-01024, is interpreted as follows:

- S — first initial of last name of the driver (i.e., Smith)
- 5778 — coded next four letters of last name (i.e., mith)
- 407 — coded first name (John)
- 71 — coded middle initial (J.)
- 01 — coded birth month for males (January)
- 02 — year of birth (1902)
- 4 — coded eye color (blue)

In another example, if the driver was a female, Christine J. Smith, with the same date, year of birth and eye color, the driver license number would be S5778-12471-51024.

The DL number would be interpreted as follows:

- S — first initial of last name of the driver (i.e., Smith)
- 5778 — coded next four letters of last name (i.e., mith)
- 124 — coded first name (Chris)
- 71 — coded middle initial (J.)
- 51 — coded birth month for females (January)
- 02 — year of birth (1902)
- 4 — coded eye color (blue)

(b) Printout Of Full Name

The name is as it appears on the individual's driver license, i.e., John J. Smith.

(c) Requester Reference Number

Number provided for volume or individual requesters. This number is assigned by Motor Vehicle Services.

(d) Date The Driver License Is Due To Expire

The license has been issued as a driver's license only and will expire December 1988. Other endorsements, such as "articulated license," do not appear on the abstract.

(e) Last Documented Or Known Address

Address of the individual (as it appears on his/her license).

(f) The Requester's Or User's Name

Name and mailing address. In this example, the requester is the Margate City Police Department.

(g) The Abstract Date

Date the abstract was printed at Motor Vehicle Services.

(h) The Unit Number

An internal computer code used for Motor Vehicle Services' purposes only.

(i) The Event Date

The date on which each event occurred. The event dates are listed chronologically from first to last. Mr. Smith has a total of seven events on his driver history record all during the period of December 1, 1985 to March 10, 1987.

(k) The Event Type

A code for the kind of occurrence. The codes are listed on the back of the abstract form. In our example, the event types would be:

- V — violation
- Z — point credit
- A — accident
- O — suspension order
- F — fee payment
- R — restoration

(l) The Event Identifier

The Motor Vehicle Services reference code used to uniquely identify a specific occurrence. It is the numerical or alphabetical equivalent of the event description (please refer to [m]).

(m) The Event Description

A written description of the event, for example:

Identifier	Description
0497	2 pts — careless driving
PC02	Point Credit — Annual Safe Driving (-2)
POLC	Involved in accident — Police Reported
4985	5 pts — speeding 30 mph or more above the legal limit
REST	Restoration Fee Paid
LOBO	Bus and Basic Privileges Restored
STATUS	Denotes one of five messages: (1) prior suspension still in effect (older than three years); (2) suspended (active suspension within the current three-year period); (3) driving privileges in good standing; (4) bus driving privileges only suspended within the current three-year period; (5) registration suspension only in effect.

(n) Speed Charged And Zone

This refers first to the speed at which the driver was traveling at the time of the occurrence, versus the posted or legal speed for that area or zone. In this example, Mr. Smith has one speeding offense at 85 mph in a 55 mph zone.

(o) Total Numerical Points

Points assessed for any violations or events are accumulated until a specific event takes place that results in a point reduction. All point violations that are received after March 1, 1974 will stay on the driving record. Up to three points will be subtracted from the point total for every year that a driver goes without a violation or suspension, but the point total will never go below zero. In our example, John J. Smith was charged two points on December 1, 1985. Since he had no violations or suspensions for one full year from the date of the occurrence, he received a point reduction of the two points December 1, 1986. Regarding John Smith's speeding violation, and the subsequent charge of five points, a point reduction of up to three points may occur after one full year of safe driving (no violation or suspensions) and/or restoration of his license, which will reduce the total points from five to two.

(p) The Posting Date

The date the occurrence is listed on the driver record at Motor Vehicle Services (not the date on which the event occurred).