

APPLYING FOR YOUR SOUTH AFRICAN ID

Most employers will ask for your identification document. Therefore, it is important to make sure you have applied for your ID when job searching.

If you are a South African citizen applying for your ID for the first time, here are some key points to follow.

- You must be 16 years or older
- There is no fee for first time applicants

You will need:

- A certified copy of your birth certificate
- Certified copy of parent or legal guardian's ID (OR death certificate if parents are deceased)
- Two identical colour photographs of yourself (for your temporary ID)
- Proof of residence (eg. Utility bill, bank statement or councillor's letter)
- Completed form BI-9 (you can get this at any department of home affairs office)

Where to apply:

- Visit your nearest Department of Home Affairs office
- Apply online on the South African government website

For more and updated information on applying for your South African ID document, you should visit the South African government website.