

Digital licences

A digital driver licence is available on the Service NSW app on your phone. To get your digital driver licence:

- Download the latest version of the Service NSW app to your smartphone.
- Log into the app with your MyServiceNSW Account details and follow the prompts.

A digital licence is legal for use across NSW and is accepted by most pubs and clubs, and NSW Police.

It may take some time before all organisations are ready to accept the digital driver licence.

In the meantime, you should also carry your plastic card to avoid inconvenience.

When can I use it?

It's illegal to use your phone to access your digital licence while driving, even if you're stopped.

It's only legal to show NSW Police your digital driver licence on your phone if they ask you to.

What if I use it illegally?

If you illegally use your phone to access your digital licence, you can get a fine and lose demerit points.

The penalty for illegal phone use by an L or P1 driver is 5 demerit points and a fine of \$362.

This is more than the amount of demerit points that a Learner or Provisional P1 driver has and will mean that your licence will be suspended.

Fines

It's best not to ignore a fine.

Ignoring a fine will only make it more expensive and complicated.

If you ignore a fine:

- your driver licence could be suspended
- your car registration could be cancelled
- Revenue NSW can take money out of your pay or bank account

If you are fined, you can:

- pay the fine
- organise a payment plan
- add to an existing payment plan
- apply for a 50% reduction if you are on Centrelink
- ask for an internal review (appeal)
- elect to appeal the matter to the Local Court (get legal advice first)
- apply for a Work and Development Order (WDO)

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