

## What information is stored on the new ID credential?

- **Computer chip** (read only) Your organization, employee affiliation, credential & person unique identifiers, two fingerprint minutia, digital certificates, and other application-specific data.
- **Magnetic stripe** (updatable)  
Primarily building access information.
- **Credential Face** Your photo, name, agency, affiliation, issue & expiration dates, and other agency and credential specific information.

All information on the Federal ID **meets or exceeds the protection requirements of the privacy laws.** Printed and electronic information on the Federal ID Credential is kept to a minimum.

## How safe is the information stored on the chip?

To access the information on the chip of your ID credential requires:

- Your Personal Identification Number (PIN) and/or biometric depending on application
- System access to the applications to interpret the information

## You must protect your PIN number...

Never write your PIN on your credential or on anything stored with your credential (notes in wallet, purse, etc.). If someone has learned your PIN, report it to your security officer immediately and obtain directions to get a new PIN.

## What if I forget my PIN?

You have five chances to enter your PIN correctly. After the fifth time, the system will lock you out and you will have to return to the enrollment or activation station to have your credential “unlocked.”

## What if my new ID credential is lost or stolen?

Report the missing credential to your supervisor or security officer as soon as possible.

**For more information regarding the new Federal Identity Credential, please access us on the web at:**  
<http://idmanagement.gov>

# Your New Federal ID Credential

A Standard Across the Federal Government



## Why a new ID credential?

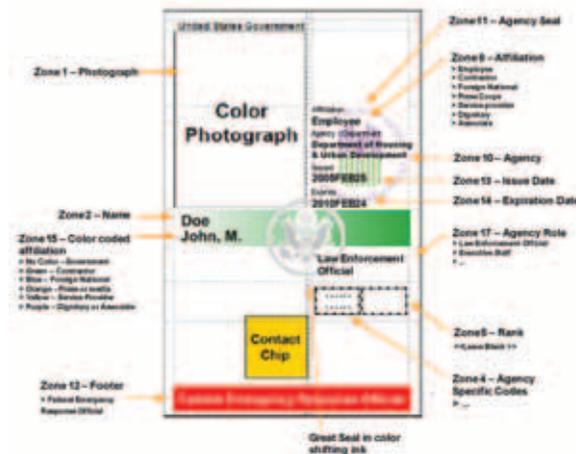
The new ID credential will **perform more functions** than older ID credentials and it is a standard format and technology across the federal government.

- It can **replace existing building and controlled space passes**. *Your local agency will tell you if that is happening at your location.*
- If you use a computer at work, the credential will let you **log on to your computer, encrypt or encode your email, or electronically “sign” documents**. *Your local agency will tell you when that will happen and how to do it.*
- Some agencies will use the computer chip in day-to-day business applications for signing documents and in security applications. *Your local agency will tell you if this is happening at your location.*

## When will I receive the new ID credential?

Issuance commenced in the Fall of 2007 and over 200 sites are operational in the U.S. and its territories. Your agency HSPD-12 leads provide agency policies and regulations on the use of the credentials and applicability for network access and building security.

## What does the new ID credential look like?



## What MUST I bring with me to receive my federal credential?

In order to obtain the new federal credential you must be sponsored by an agency official and a separate official will verify the minimum of an FBI fingerprint check. You must bring two forms of government issued identity verification (which will be scanned) to the enrollment site. One must be a photo ID (driver's license or military ID is acceptable), and any other verification such as a US passport, citizenship document, or birth certificate.

## Who will and won't receive the new ID credential?

The new ID credential **will** be issued to:

- All Federal Civilian Employees
- Eligible Contractor Personnel

The new ID credential **won't** be issued to:

- Family members
- Retirees

These individuals will continue to receive any current Agency ID credential if provided.

## Where can I use my new ID credential?

The new ID credential can be used at **all locations where current ID credentials are accepted**. Additional locations, services, and functions that accept or support the new ID credential will depend initially on your local site and the technologies they have available.

## What are digital credentials?

Your ID credential contains four digital credentials that can be used with computer and security applications. They allow you remote identity verification over the network, the ability to digitally sign documents, and the ability to strongly encrypt email and files.