



IMPORTANT!!! BE SURE TO GET THE NEXT-GENERATION USID CARD BEFORE THE DECEMBER 31st DEADLINE!!!

Military retirees are required to update their Uniformed Services Identification (USID) cards to the new Next Generation USID card by **December 31, 2025**. The paper-based USID cards with indefinite expiration dates will no longer be accepted after this date. The new cards are more secure and durable, incorporating features like plastic cardstock and enhanced security measures.

According to the DOD Common Access Card website, USID cards are issued to retired military and Reserve members, dependent family members of uniformed service members, and other eligible individuals in accordance with DOD policy. It is important for military retirees/dependents/surviving spouses to know these old forms of ID **will not** be valid to access a military installation, and you will **need** issuance of the NextGen ID card. This will be true even if your old ID card has an INDEF expiration date on it—the ID will still be **invalid**. The deadline is **31 December 2025**.

There are several ways to make an appointment to get a new ID card. (1). You can visit the RAPIDS ID Card Office Locator website to find the closest office and either call them to make an appointment, or (2). schedule your own appointment using the website <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>. To make an appointment using this site, select the "ID Card Office Locator & Appointments" block. **DO IT NOW!!!** Thanks to Keith Thomas, Texas State Commander