

Cannabis Control Division

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Guidance Regarding Introduction of New Mexico Mobile ID

Dear Licensee:

This email is to inform you that the [New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division \(MVD\) will begin offering mobile IDs](#) which will allow residents to present New Mexico-issued driver's licenses and state IDs digitally via a digital wallet on a mobile device. New Mexico joins nearly a dozen other States already issuing Mobile IDs.

To aid businesses who must verify age before allowing for the sale of certain products including cannabis products, the MVD has launched Mobile ID Acceptance on iPhone with [NM Verifier app](#).

Now businesses can verify Mobile IDs with only an iPhone and the NM Verifier app, no additional hardware or physical readers required. Licensed establishments can also choose another ISO 18013-5 compliant reader. By simply using NFC technology or scanning a QR code, licensees can validate a customer's Mobile ID is state-issued and valid.

Under [16.8.2.40 \(E\)\(3\) NMAC](#), using NM Verifier for iOS or other mobile verification applications to accept Mobile IDs is a compliant method of age verification and is approved for use by the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department and the Cannabis Control Division. When a customer purchases cannabis products and presents their Mobile ID, licensees can use Mobile ID Acceptance on iPhone with the NM Verifier app, or another ISO 18013-5 compliant reader to verify the consumer's age. A customer cannot "show" their Mobile ID to a business.

PLEASE NOTE: It is up to each licensee to determine what method(s) they use to verify age in order stay compliant with relevant laws. Licensees are not required to accept Mobile IDs or utilize the NM Verifier app or other mobile verification apps; it is simply an option as the adoption of Mobile IDs continues to grow. Licensees are reminded to never sell cannabis products to individuals under the legal age. The NM Verifier app for iOS can be downloaded directly on the App Store. Other options to verify a Mobile ID include:

- Credence ID- Tap2 ID Mobile for more information click [here](#).
- Idemia- mID Verify for more information click [here](#).
- IDScan.net- Veriscan for more information click [here](#).
- Global Enterprise Technologies Corp.- GET Mobile Verify app for more information click [here](#).

For more information about Mobile ID verification for businesses, visit:
<https://www.mvd.newmexico.gov/new-mexico-mobile-id-for-businesses/>

For questions about legal requirements regarding the acceptance of Mobile IDs, contact the Cannabis Control Division at rld.cannabiscontrol@rld.nm.gov or 505-476-4995.

For app-related or Mobile ID questions, email the New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division at trd-nmmdl@tax.nm.gov