What You Need to Know About the NYPD and IDNYC





Here's what you should know:

- Although not required by law, carrying identification with you is a good idea.
- It can be helpful in a wide variety of situations, including interactions with police officers.
- IDNYC cards can be issued with or without a residential address
- When police officers are considering eligibility for a summons or a desk appearance ticket (DAT), they may rely only on those IDNYC cards with a residential address. Individuals must have proof of a valid current address in order to be released from police custody with a summons and a date to appear in court.

You should also be aware:

- IDNYC cannot be used as proof of age to purchase alcohol or tobacco.
- IDNYC cannot be used to board planes, trains or other public conveyances requiring ID. It is not a license to drive a car.
- IDNYC may not be accepted by federal agencies for identification purposes.



If you are 14 or over and a resident of NYC, you can apply for IDNYC. To make an IDNYC appointment visit www.nyc.gov/idnyc or call 311.