



BECKER COUNTY

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BECKER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MOTORVEHICLE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Detroit Lakes, MN – Becker County Department of Motor Vehicles leads the way during COVID-19. The State of MN regulates all Deputy Registrar Motor Vehicle (DMV) Departments which includes Becker County. The Becker County Courthouse is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The Becker County Courthouse DMV location accepts walk up appointments except for the Enhanced Driver's License processing and Prorates for Commercial Titles, which requires an appointment. To register for an Enhanced Driver's License appointment please follow this link: <https://www.co.becker.mn.us/>.

The Becker County DMV is frequently asked what the differences are between a Standard ID, REAL ID and the Enhanced Driver's License. All three are acceptable for driving purposes. However, beginning October 1, 2021, every air traveler 18 years of age or older will need a REAL ID, enhanced driver's license or passport to fly within the United States or enter federal facilities.

A REAL ID costs the same as a standard identification, while an Enhanced Driver's License costs \$30.00 more. The biggest difference is that an Enhanced ID allows you to travel to Canada, Mexico and some Caribbean countries without a passport -- but not by plane. A passport is still required for international flights.

Any MN resident can use any of the various State of MN Approved Deputy Registrars Offices. It is recommended prior to visiting your local DMV that you visit the MN Department of Public Safety Website to start your applications and learn about the various programs. The DPS website is: <https://dps.mn.gov/>

Contacts

For any questions or clarifications, please contact Mary Hendrickson, County Auditor / Treasurer at 218-846-7301.

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