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MVA ANNOUNCES MAIL-IN RENEWAL SERVICE

Renew Your Driver's License By Mail

GLEN BURNIE, MD (July 14, 2004) --- The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration gladly announces that eligible Maryland drivers can now renew their driver's license through the mail. Recently enacted legislation permits the MVA to waive the eye test requirement for drivers between the ages of 21 and 40 who have passed the required MVA vision test within the previous 5 years and now makes it possible for mail-in driver's license renewals.

Drivers who do not fall within the vision waiver exception can also renew by mail if they have their doctor complete and sign the "vision certification" section of the Maryland Mail-In Driver License Renewal Application. The vision information provided by a doctor must be from a vision examination conducted within the preceding 12-months. Maryland Vehicle law requires individuals over the age of 40 to obtain vision certification every time they renew their Maryland driver's license.

At the time of renewal, eligible drivers will receive a Maryland Mail-In Driver License Renewal Application along with a special notice advising them of this new service and encouraging them to renew by mail rather than going to an MVA office. The renewal application will be mailed to your last known mailing address on file with the MVA.

After receiving the renewal application, simply follow the instructions to renew by mail. The cost of renewing a driver's license is \$30. There is no additional service fee charged for choosing to renew by mail.

All eligible drivers may renew their license by mail once every ten years (or every other renewal term). If you are not eligible or you choose not to renew by mail, you must visit one of our MVA locations to renew your Maryland driver license in person. Please visit the MVA's website at www. marylandmva.com for location information.

"With this new service delivery measure, we are taking another major step toward making the MVA more efficient. Eligible drivers can now renew their driver's license without coming into an MVA office," said MVA Administrator David Hugel. "Things are changing at the MVA and this is a reflection of our commitment to customer service for the citizens of Maryland," he added.

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