

Birth records less than 100 years old and Affidavit of Parentage records filed in the Central Paternity Registry are restricted documents and you must prove eligibility in order to request one. We will accept a current valid driver's license, state-issued photo identification card or passport.

If you do not have one of the three items listed above, you will need to provide at least three pieces of documentation from different sources that will verify your name and date of birth. At least one of the alternative documents must be dated within the last year. We cannot use a Social Security Card or junk mail. Some suggestions might be:

- marriage or divorce certificate
- your child's birth record
- W-2
- paycheck stub
- bank statement
- voter or car registration
- health insurance card
- utility bill
- doctor/hospital/dentist bill
- baptismal certificate
- military DD-214 discharge paper or equivalent
- school records or GED certificate
- letter from a government agency such as SSA or the IRS
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- benefit statement from SSA
- land or rental agreement
- Military photo ID
- State or Federal prison photo ID with release or discharge papers dated within the last year
- For persons age 15-20, a current student photo ID with either a report card or transcript would be acceptable

If you have specific questions, you may contact the Eligibility Unit in the Division for Vital Records at 517-335-8666 to speak with a customer service representative.