



DVS
Driver &
Vehicle Services



Veterans of Special Guerrilla Units (SGU) and Irregular Forces in Laos Advisory Task Force

October 20, 2025

Veteran designation on ID

- Minnesota Statute 171.07 subdivision 15 allows Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) to put a veteran designation on driver's licenses and state ID cards for qualified veterans.
- DVS updated programming and internal procedures to receive, evaluate, and process applications for Special Guerrilla Unit/Secret War veterans. Specific documents are required to add the veteran indicator to the card. This documentation only needs to be provided once.
- DVS will continue to work with Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) as the legislature enacts criteria and a protocol to determine eligibility for these veterans as defined in subdivision 1, clause (2). MDVA still needs legislative approval for the document that will be used to add the veteran designation to a card for veterans as defined in subdivision 1, clause (1).

Veteran designation

m1 MINNESOTA USA **DRIVER'S LICENSE** 

1 SAMPLE
2 AVERY JAMES
8 456 BLOOMINGTON AVE
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55417-1234

4d DL# A123-456-789-123 **4a ISS 08/15/2024**
3 DOB 08/15/1977 **4b EXP 08/15/2028**
9 CLASS D **9a END NONE**
12 RESTR NONE

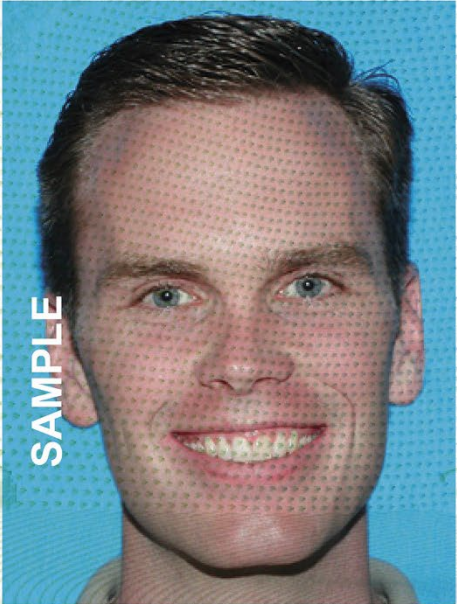
15 SEX M **17 WGT 150 lb**
16 HGT 5'-10" **18 EYES BLU**

5 DD 12345678901234 **08/15/77**

VETERAN

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Benefits of veteran designation

- Not required to have a veteran designation
 - Will not give VA benefits if you have it
 - Will not prevent VA benefits if you don't
- Easier to get discounts at businesses that provide discounts for veterans.



Laos War Vet Special Plate





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Questions?