

PHOTOCOPYING MILITARY AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS

18 U.S. Code Section 701 and 6 CFR Section 37.3

With the increasing availability of technology at our fingertips, the DABS is seeing more and more of our licensees taking pictures of patrons' identification cards using phones, tablets, and downloaded APPS, instead of just scanning the identification card with an approved scanner.

Many licensees are unaware that this is against the law. Any establishment that makes an:

- Imitation
- Photograph
- Print
- Impression



of any military or government identification card can be fined or even imprisoned for six months, or both.



The U.S. government defines an identification card as a document issued or made by any State Department of Motor Vehicles or other State offices.

A bar, restaurant or other licensees must ask someone to provide an acceptable form of I.D. to verify that someone is old enough to buy alcohol. Certain licensees may be required to scan it, however, they cannot copy or duplicate it in any way.

EXEMPT: This law doesn't apply to medical establishments or government agencies performing official government business i.e. DABS .