

Costs for Legal Name Correction: New England

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Connecticut

Applicants who are unable to pay the application fee for legal reasons may be eligible for a waiver. The waiver application, Probate Court form PC-184, is available online [here](#).

| Item | Fee | For Further Information |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | \$250 | Procedure for Applying to the Probate Court for Change of Name |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | \$0 | |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | \$0 | CT Legal Notices by Publication |
| CT Real ID License or CT Real ID Card | \$30 for Driver's License or Identification Card | CT Department of Motor Vehicles |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| CT Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | \$0 Certified Copy: \$30 (state issued) or \$20 (town/city issued) | Ct.gov |

Maine

Applicants who are unable to pay the application fee for legal reasons may be eligible for a waiver. The waiver application, Probate Court form AF-105, is available online [here](#).

| Item | Fee | For Further Information |
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| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | \$75 (sometimes an additional \$5 for certificate of name change and \$5 for the forms depending on location) | Maine Legislature Probate Code §1-701(4) |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | \$0 | Maine.gov |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | Not required | Maine Legislature Probate Code §1-701(2) |
| ME Real ID License or ME Real ID Card | \$5 to amend Driver's License or Identification Card | Maine BMV |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| ME Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | \$60 Certified Copy: \$15 and \$6 for each additional copy of the same record | Maine.gov |

Massachusetts

First, apply for [Waiver of Court Fees and Costs in Massachusetts](#).

- If you **are not** eligible for the Massachusetts fee waiver, you can apply for financial assistance with MTPC via [online application](#).
- If you **are** eligible, you can still apply for the costs associated with your other identity documents using the [same application](#).

| Item | Fee | For Further Information |
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| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | \$150 | Mass.gov Legal name changes for adults |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | \$15 | Mass.gov |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | \$15 | Check requirements for public notice here: mass.gov |
| MA Real ID License or MA Real ID Card | \$25 for Driver's License or Identification Card | Massachusetts RMV |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| MA Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | \$50 Certified Copy: \$32 (by mail) or \$20 (in person) | Mass.gov |

New Hampshire

Applicants who are unable to pay the application fee for legal reasons may be eligible for a waiver. The waiver application for the Motion to Waive Filing Fee (NHJB-2759-SUP) , is available [here](#).

| Item | Fee | For Further Information |
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| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | \$130 plus \$10 certification fee | NH Judicial Branch website |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | \$0 | NH Judicial Branch website |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | Publication is not required by statute, but may be ordered by the Court depending on the circumstance | NH Revised Statute § 547:3i and 550:4 |
| NH Real ID License or Real ID Card | \$0 to update name on License or ID, \$3 to update gender marker | NH Department of Motor Vehicles |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| NH Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | \$10 Certified Copy: \$15 | NH Department of State |

Rhode Island

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| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | Generally less than \$100, but varies depending on the city or town | Call your local probate court and ask them for clear instructions for the legal name change process, including the associated fees. |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | Not all cities/towns have a filing fee | Call your local probate court and ask them for clear instructions for the legal name change process, including the associated fees. |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | Publication is not required by statute, but may be ordered by the Court depending on the circumstance | Call your local probate court and ask them for clear instructions for the legal name change process, including the associated fees. |
| RI Real ID License or Real ID Card | \$27.50 for Driver's License or Identification Card* *Fee is waived for those 58 years and older | Rhode Island DMV |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| RI Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | \$10 Certified Copy: \$25 (by mail) or \$22 (in person) | RI Department of State |

Vermont

Applicants who are unable to pay the application fee for legal reasons may be eligible for a waiver. The waiver application, Application to Waive Filing Fees & Service Costs (form 228), is available [here](#). Learn more about the waiver process [here](#).

| Item | Fee | For Further Information |
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| Filing Fee for Legal Name Change | \$150 | Vermont Judiciary : See Probate Division Fees → Petition for change of name |
| Filing Fee Surcharge | None | Vermont Judiciary : See Probate Division Fees |
| Notice for Publication (if required) | Not required by law, but may be ordered by the Court depending on the circumstance | VT Title 15 § 811-718 |
| VT Real ID License or Real ID Card | \$24 for Driver's License or Identification Card | Vermont DMV |
| U.S. Passport Application or U.S. Passport Renewal | \$165 for First-Time Application \$130 for Renewal | U.S. Department of State |
| Social Security Card | \$0 | U.S. Social Security Administration |
| VT Birth Certificate Amendment Fee - Certified Copy of Amended Record | No fee to amend Certified Copy: \$10 | Vermont Department of Health |