

### Tips for Identifying Valid Social Security Cards

The following chart lists the changes in the SSN card with effective dates.

DATE	CHANGE IN SSN CARD
2002	<b>Thirty-first version of the SSN card</b> (12/2002). Instructions updated for clarity, to ask that the NH report changes in name, U.S. citizenship or alien status to SSA and not allow others to use SSN. The instruction “do not carry it with you” added to the back of the card.
2004	<b>Thirty-second version of the SSN card</b> (03/2004). The language, “DO NOT CARRY IT WITH YOU” is added to the face of the card and the anti-copy VOID pattern is removed. In April 2004 the restrictive legend, VALID FOR WORK WITH INS AUTHORIZATION is changed to show INS change to DHS.
2006-2007	<b>Thirty-third version of the SSN card</b> (11-2006). Left side of SSN card carrier includes an explanation of the date printed under signature line on SSN card. Right side of carrier provides instructions for signing card. Beginning 04/07, the date the card is issued is printed under the signature line. Beginning 9/08/07, the number holder’s name will always be printed on two lines, with the last name printed directly below the first and middle names.
2007	<b>Thirty-fourth version of the SSN card</b> (10-2007). The 10-2007 version of the SSN card includes additional security features. Some of the more recognizable features are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A unique non-repeating spiral design, replacing the existing marbled pattern. The new pattern will be the same or a very similar color to the current background and will continue to be erasable.</li> <li>• Color shifting inks added to the face of the card; very recognizable since it is used in currency.</li> <li>• A latent image on the face of the card, visible only when the document is viewed at specific angles.</li> </ul>