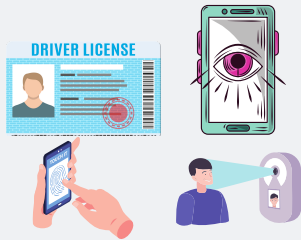


What would legally-mandated age verification on the internet actually look like in practice?

Several states across the U.S. have proposed or passed legislation that would require online services to verify the age and identity of their users before the user is allowed to access that service. What would that actually look like for you?

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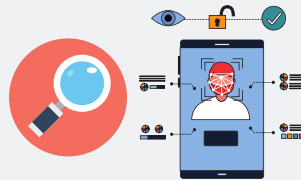
Uploading your I.D. to an online tech service



Everyone would be required to hand over a form of identification to tech companies to verify age and identity every time you access websites. This will include government-issued ID, like passports and driver's licenses, or biometric scans of your face.

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Verifying the legitimacy of you and your document



To meet compliance requirements, an online service would also need to verify the legitimacy of the document you upload and your identity, meaning they would have to work with the government to verify your identity.

3

Long-term storage of your personal data



Online services would be required to have a mechanism in place to store your data for when you'd like to use that service in the future. Forcing services to host sensitive data will make them a prime target for cyber criminals and predators.

Americans want more privacy and security online, not rules that could jeopardize our safety, undermine our constitutional rights and open up our most sensitive documents and information to bad actors. Learn more about the problems with these proposals at netchoice.org.