

This is an example driver employment application. Carriers do not need to use this exact form, but must have a completed and signed employment application for all drivers that contains the information listed in [49 CFR 391.21](#).

DRIVER EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

[COMPANY NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, AND EMAIL]
An Equal Opportunity Employer

COMPLETE IN FULL OR IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

APPLICANT INFORMATION					
FIRST NAME		MIDDLE NAME		LAST NAME	
PHONE		EMAIL			
DATE OF BIRTH		SOCIAL SECURITY #			
DATE OF APPLICATION		POSITION APPLIED FOR	DATE AVAILABLE FOR WORK		

Do you have legal right to work in the United States? YES NO

PREVIOUS THREE YEARS RESIDENCY					
<i>Attach additional sheet if more space is needed</i>					
	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	# OF YEARS AT ADDRESS
CURRENT					
MAILING					
PREVIOUS					
PREVIOUS					
PREVIOUS					

LICENSE INFORMATION				
No person who operates a commercial motor vehicle shall at any time have more than one driver's license (49 CFR 383.21). I certify that I do not have more than one motor vehicle license, the information for which is listed below. Include all licenses held for the past 3 years; attach additional sheets if needed.				
STATE	LICENSE #	TYPE/CLASS	ENDORSEMENTS	EXPIRATION DATE
PREVIOUSLY HELD LICENSES				

DRIVING EXPERIENCE				
CLASS OF EQUIPMENT	TYPE OF EQUIPMENT (VAN, TANK, FLAT, ETC.)		DATE FROM	DATE TO
STRAIGHT TRUCK				
TRACTOR & SEMI-TRAILER				
TRACTOR & 2 TRAILERS				
TRACTOR & TANKER				
OTHER				

ACCIDENT RECORD FOR THE PAST 3 YEARS

Attach additional sheet if more space is needed. Check this box if none

DATES (List most recent first)	NATURE OF ACCIDENT (Head-on, rear-end, upset, etc.)	# FATALITIES	# INJURIES	CHEMICAL SPILLS (Y/N)

TRAFFIC CONVICTIONS AND FORFEITURES FOR THE PAST 3 YEARS (OTHER THAN PARKING VIOLATIONS)

Attach additional sheet if more space is needed. Check this box if none

DATE CONVICTED (Month/Year)	VIOLATION	STATE OF VIOLATION	PENALTY (Forfeited bond, collateral and/or points)

Have you ever been denied a license, permit, or privilege to operate a motor vehicle? YES NO

If yes, explain

Has any license, permit, or privilege ever been suspended or revoked? YES NO

If yes, explain

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.21) require that all applicants wishing to drive a commercial vehicle list all employment for the last three (3) years. ***In addition, if you have driven a commercial vehicle previously, you must provide employment history for an additional seven (7) years (for a total of ten (10) years). Any gaps in employment in excess of one (1) month must be explained.***

Start with the last or current position, including any military experience, and work backwards (attach separate sheets if necessary). You are required to list the complete mailing address, including street number, city, state, zip; and complete all other information.

CURRENT (MOST RECENT) EMPLOYER					
NAME			PHONE		
ADDRESS					
POSITION HELD			FROM MO/YR	TO MO/YR	
REASON FOR LEAVING				SALARY	
EXPLAIN ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT (Include month/year & reason)					

While employed here, were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations?

YES NO

Was the job designated as a safety-sensitive function in any Department of Transportation-regulated mode subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing as required by 49 CFR, part 40?

YES NO

SECOND (MOST RECENT) EMPLOYER

NAME				PHONE		
ADDRESS						
POSITION HELD		FROM MO/YR		TO MO/YR		
REASON FOR LEAVING				SALARY		
EXPLAIN ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT (Include month/year & reason)						
While employed here, were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations?						<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Was the job designated as a safety-sensitive function in any Department of Transportation-regulated mode subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing as required by 49 CFR, part 40?						<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

THIRD (MOST RECENT) EMPLOYER

NAME				PHONE		
ADDRESS						
POSITION HELD		FROM MO/YR		TO MO/YR		
REASON FOR LEAVING				SALARY		
EXPLAIN ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT (Include month/year & reason)						
While employed here, were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations?						<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Was the job designated as a safety-sensitive function in any Department of Transportation-regulated mode subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing as required by 49 CFR, part 40?						<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

EDUCATION

SCHOOL	NAME & LOCATION	COURSE OF STUDY	YEARS COMPLETED	GRADUATE Y N	DETAILS
High School				<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
College				<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Other				<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Please list any other qualifications that you have and which you believe should be considered.

TO BE READ AND SIGNED BY APPLICANT

I authorize you to make investigations (including contacting current and prior employers) into my personal, employment, financial, medical history, and other related matters as may be necessary in arriving at an employment decision. I hereby release employers, schools, health care providers, and other persons from all liability in responding to inquiries and releasing information in connection with my application.

In the event of employment, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or interview(s) may result in discharge. I also understand that I am required to abide by all rules and regulations of the Company.

I understand that the information I provide regarding my current and/or prior employers may be used, and those employer(s) will be contacted for the purpose of investigating my safety performance history as required by 49 CFR 391.23. I understand that I have the right to:

- Review information provided by current/previous employers;
- Have errors in the information corrected by previous employers, and for those previous employers to resend the corrected information to the prospective employer; and
- Have a rebuttal statement attached to the alleged erroneous information, if the previous employer(s) and I cannot agree on the accuracy of the information.

This certifies that I completed this application, and that all entries on it and information in it are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Note: A motor carrier may require an applicant to provide more information than that required by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations.

Applicant Signature		Date	
Applicant Name (printed)			

PART 391

Qualification of Drivers

Applicability (391.1)

Persons who drive commercial motor vehicles are subject to minimum qualification as specified in 49 CFR Part 391. The rules in this part also establish minimum duties of motor carriers with respect to the qualifications of their drivers. As well, a motor carrier who employs himself/herself as a driver must comply with both the rules in this part that apply to motor carriers and the rules in this part that apply to drivers (i.e. owner operators with authority).

General Exemptions (391.2)

Farm custom operation

The rules in 49 CFR Part 391 do not apply to a driver who drives a commercial motor vehicle controlled and operated by a person engaged in custom-harvesting operations, as specified in 49 CFR section 391.2(a), if the commercial motor vehicle is used to—

- Transport farm machinery, supplies, or both, to or from a farm for custom harvesting operations on a farm; or
- Transport custom harvested crops to storage or market.

Aparian industries

The rules in 49 CFR Part 391 do not apply to a driver who is operating a commercial motor vehicle controlled and operated by a beekeeper engaged in the seasonal transportation of bees as specified in 49 CFR section 391.2(b).

Certain farm vehicle drivers

As specified in 49 CFR section 391.2(c), the rules in 49 CFR Part 391 do not apply to a farm vehicle driver except a farm vehicle driver who drives an articulated (combination) commercial motor vehicle as defined in 49 CFR section 390.5. (For limited exemptions for farm vehicle drivers of articulated commercial motor vehicles reference 49 CFR section 391.67.)

Driver Requirements/Responsibilities (391.11 & 391.13)

A driver must meet the following requirements and responsibilities:

- Be at least 21 years of age;
- Speak and read English well enough to converse with the general public, understand highway traffic signals, respond to official questions, and be able to make legible entries on reports and records;
- Be able to drive the vehicle safely;
- Be in good health and physically able to perform all duties of a driver;
- Possess a valid medical certificate;
- Have only one valid commercial motor vehicle operator's license;
- Provide an employing motor carrier with a list of all motor vehicle violations or a signed statement that driver has not been convicted of any motor vehicle violations during the past 12 months. A disqualified driver must not be allowed to drive a commercial motor vehicle for any reason;
- Qualified to drive a CMV;
- Pass a driver's road test or equivalent; and,
- Know how to safely load and properly block, brace, and secure the cargo.

Driver Qualification File Checklist (391.51)

Every motor carrier must have a qualification file for each regularly employed driver.

The file must include:

DRIVER'S APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT (391.21)

A person will not be allowed to drive a commercial motor vehicle unless he/she has completed and signed an application for employment.

DRIVING RECORD FROM STATE AGENCY (INQUIRY) – 3 YEARS (391.23(a)(1) & (b))

The driver's driving record for the preceding three years.



DRIVER'S ROAD TEST CERTIFICATE (391.31) OR EQUIVALENT (391.33)

A person must not be allowed to drive a commercial motor vehicle until he/she has successfully completed a road test and has been issued a certificate, or a copy of the license or certificate which the motor carrier accepted as equivalent to the driver's road test pursuant to CFR section 391.33.



INQUIRY TO STATE AGENCIES FOR DRIVING RECORD (391.25(c)(1))

Request driving record annually for each driver.



ANNUAL REVIEW OF DRIVING RECORD (391.25(c)(2))

The motor carrier must annually review/certify the driving records for all drivers operating a commercial vehicle to determine whether or not they meet the minimum requirements for safe driving and have no disqualifying offenses pursuant to 49 CFR section 391.15. A note stating the results of this review shall be included in the Driver's Qualification File.



ANNUAL DRIVER'S CERTIFICATION OF VIOLATIONS (391.27)

At least once every 12 months, a motor carrier must require each driver that it employs to prepare and furnish a list of all violations of motor vehicle traffic laws and ordinances during the previous 12 months.

NOTE: Drivers who have provided information required by 49 CFR section 383.31 need not repeat that information in this annual list of violations.



MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATE (391.43)

The driver must pass a medical examination conducted by a licensed medical examiner as defined in 49 CFR section 390.5. A driver must be issued a Medical Examiner's Certificate, which must be carried at all times and must be renewed every two years unless the medical examiner specifies a date of less than two years on the certificate.

- SKILL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (SPE) CERTIFICATE (391.49)**

If applicable, drivers with Impairment or amputation of a limb must maintain SPE certificate.

- ENTRY - LEVEL DRIVER TRAINING CERTIFICATE (380.509(b))**
- LONGER COMBINATION VEHICLE DRIVER TRAINING CERTIFICATE (380.401) OR CERTIFICATE OF GRANDFATHERING (if applicable) (380.111)**

Driver Investigation History File Checklist (391.53)

Each motor carrier must maintain files relating to the investigation into the safety performance history of a new or perspective driver. This data must only be used for the hiring decision. This file must be maintained in a secure location with controlled access and must include:



INQUIRY TO PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS – 3 YEARS

An investigation of the driver's:

- Employment record during the preceding three years. (49 CFR section 391.23(d)(1))
- Accident history during the preceding three years. (49 CFR section 391.23(d)(2))
- Alcohol and Control Substance testing records during the preceding three years. (49 CFR section 391.23(e))

- CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL TESTING DRIVER RELEASE FORM IF APPLICABLE (391.53(b)(1))**

- NOTES OF RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM THE ABOVE INVESTIGATIONS (391.3(b)(2))**

Examples of Physical Requirements (391.41)

- Has no loss of a foot, a leg, a hand, or an arm, or has been granted a skill performance evaluation certificate pursuant to 49 CFR section 391.49.
- Has no impairment of a hand or finger which interferes with prehension or power grasping or has been granted a skill performance evaluation certificate pursuant to 49 CFR section 391.49.
- Has no impairment of an arm, foot, or leg which interferes with the ability to perform normal tasks associated with operating a CMV or has been granted a skill performance evaluation certificate pursuant to 49 CFR section 391.49.
- Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus currently requiring insulin for control or has been issued a diabetic or vision exemption.
- Has no current clinical diagnosis or any disqualifying heart disease.
- Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of a respiratory dysfunction.
- Has no current clinical diagnosis of high blood pressure.
- Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of arthritis.
- Has no clinical diagnosis or clinical history of epilepsy.
- Has no mental, nervous, organic, or functional disease or psychiatric disorder.
- Has 20/40 vision or better with or without corrective lenses.
- Has distant binocular acuity of at least 20/40 in both eyes with or without corrective lenses.
- Has the ability to recognize the colors (red, green and amber) of traffic signals.
- Has hearing to perceive a forced whisper voiced equals to or greater than 5 feet with or without hearing aid or average hearing loss in the better ear equals or less than 40 dB.
- Has no history of drug use or any other substance identified in Schedule 1.
- Has no clinical diagnosis of alcoholism.



Forms to Use

Shown on following pages and available at Web address as shown:

- 54** Driver Qualification File Checklist:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/drqualif.pdf>
- 55-56** Application for Employment:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/application.pdf>
- 57-61** Request for Information from Previous Employer:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/requestforinfo.pdf>
- 62** 3 Years' Inquiry to State Agency for Driver's Record: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/inquirystateagency.pdf>
- 62** Annual Inquiry to State Agency for Driver's Record: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/inquirystateagency.pdf>
- 63** Annual Review of Driving Record:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/annualreview.pdf>
- 64** Driver's Certification of Violations:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/drcertviolat.pdf>
- 65** Driver's Road Test Examination:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/drrdtestexam3.pdf>
- 66-74** Medical Examination Report and Medical Examiner's Certificate:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/safetyprograms/Medical-Report.pdf>
- 75** Multiple-Employer Drivers:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/eta/multipleemployerdr.pdf>

DRIVER QUALIFICATION FILE CHECKLIST

- Driver's Application For Employment
(49 CFR 391.21)
- Inquiry To Previous Employers – 3 Years
(49 CFR 391.23(A) (2) & (C))
- Inquiry To State Agencies – 3 Years
(49 CFR 391.23(A) (1) & (B))

Inquiry To State Agencies – Annual
(49 CFR 391.25(A) & (C))
- Annual Review Of Driving Record
(49 CFR 391.25)
- Annual Driver's Certification Of Violations
(49 CFR 391.27)
- Driver's Road Test Certificate or Equivalent*
(49 CFR 391.31)
- Medical Examiner's Certificate*
(49 CFR 391.43)
- Multiple-Employer Drivers
(49 CFR 391.63)

*NOTE: DRIVERS MUST BE ISSUED COPIES OF THESE CERTIFICATES.
DRIVERS NEED ONLY HAVE A COPY OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S
CERTIFICATE IN THEIR POSSESSION WHILE DRIVING

APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

COMPANY _____ STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE _____

NAME _____ (FIRST) (MIDDLE) (Maiden Name, if any) (LAST)

ADDRESS _____ (STREET) (CITY) (STATE & ZIP CODE) HOW LONG? _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____ HIRE DATE _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PREVIOUS THREE YEARS RESIDENCY

(STREET) (CITY) (STATE & ZIP CODE) # YEARS _____

(STREET) (CITY) (STATE & ZIP CODE) # YEARS _____

(STREET) (CITY) (STATE & ZIP CODE) # YEARS _____

(ATTACH SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

LICENSE INFORMATION

Section 383.21 FMCSR states "No person who operates a commercial motor vehicle shall at any time have more than one driver's license". I certify that I do not have more than one motor vehicle license, the information for which is listed below.

STATE	LICENSE NO.	TYPE	EXPIRATION DATE

DRIVING EXPERIENCE

CLASS OF EQUIPMENT	TYPE OF EQUIPMENT (VAN, TANK, FLAT, ETC.)	DATES FROM	DATES TO	APPROX. NO. OF MILES (TOTAL)
STRAIGHT TRUCK				
TRACTOR AND SEMI-TRAILER				
TRACTOR - TWO TRAILERS				
OTHER				

ACCIDENT RECORD FOR PAST 3 YEARS OR MORE (ATTACH SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

DATES	NATURE OF ACCIDENT (HEAD-ON, REAR-END, UPSET, ETC.)	NUMBER FATALITIES	NUMBER INJURIES	CHEMICAL SPILLS
				YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
				YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
				YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

TRAFFIC CONVICTIONS AND FORFEITURES FOR THE PAST 3 YEARS (OTHER THAN PARKING VIOLATIONS)

DATE CONVICTED (month/year)	VIOLATION	STATE OF VIOLATION LOCATION	PENALTY (forfeited bond, collateral and/or points)

(ATTACH SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

A. Have you ever been denied a license, permit or privilege to operate a motor vehicle? YES ____ NO ____

If yes, explain _____

B. Has any license, permit or privilege ever been suspended or revoked? YES ____ NO ____

If yes, explain _____

**EMPLOYMENT RECORD
(ATTACH SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)**

Applicants that desire to drive in intrastate/interstate commerce must provide the following information on all employers during the previous three years. You must give the same information for all employers you have driven a commercial motor vehicle for the seven years prior to the initial three years (total of ten years employment record).

Must list the complete mailing address: street number and name, city, state and zip code.

LAST EMPLOYER: NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

POSITION HELD _____ FROM _____ TO _____ SALARY _____

REASONS FOR LEAVING _____

ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT AND/OR UNEMPLOYMENT MUST BE EXPLAINED. INCLUDE DATES (MONTH/YEAR) AND REASON. _____

Were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) while employed by the previous employer? Yes No

Was the previous job position designated as a safety sensitive function in any DOT regulated mode, subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing requirements as required by 49 CFR Part 40? Yes No

SECOND LAST EMPLOYER: NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

POSITION HELD _____ FROM _____ TO _____ SALARY _____

REASONS FOR LEAVING _____

ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT AND/OR UNEMPLOYMENT MUST BE EXPLAINED. INCLUDE DATES (MONTH/YEAR) AND REASON. _____

Were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) while employed by the previous employer? Yes No

Was the previous job position designated as a safety sensitive function in any DOT regulated mode, subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing requirements as required by 49 CFR Part 40? Yes No

THIRD LAST EMPLOYER: NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

POSITION HELD _____ FROM _____ TO _____ SALARY _____

REASONS FOR LEAVING _____

ANY GAPS IN EMPLOYMENT AND/OR UNEMPLOYMENT MUST BE EXPLAINED. INCLUDE DATES (MONTH/YEAR) AND REASON. _____

Were you subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) while employed by the previous employer? Yes No

Was the previous job position designated as a safety sensitive function in any DOT regulated mode, subject to alcohol and controlled substances testing requirements as required by 49 CFR Part 40? Yes No

TO BE READ AND SIGNED BY APPLICANT

I authorize you to make sure investigations and inquiries to my personal, employment, financial or medical history and other related matters as may be necessary in arriving at an employment decision. (Generally, inquiries regarding medical history will be made only if and after a conditional offer of employment has been extended.) I hereby release employers, schools, health care providers and other persons from all liability in responding to inquiries and releasing information in connection with my application.

In the event of employment, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or interview(s) may result in discharge. I understand, also, that I am required to abide by all rules and regulations of the Company.

"I understand that information I provide regarding current and/or previous employers may be used, and those employer(s) will be contacted, for the purpose of investigating my safety performance history as required by 49 CFR 391.23(d) and (e). I understand that I have the right to:

- Review information provided by current/previous employers;
- Have errors in the information corrected by previous employers and for those previous employers to re-send the corrected information to the prospective employer; and
- Have a rebuttal statement attached to the alleged erroneous information, if the previous employer(s) and I cannot agree on the accuracy of the information."

_____ DATE

_____ APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

This certifies that I completed this application, and that all entries on it and information in it are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

_____ DATE

_____ APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Note: A motor carrier may require an applicant to provide information in addition to the information required by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations.

SAFETY PERFORMANCE HISTORY RECORDS REQUEST

PART 1:	TO BE COMPLETED BY PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEE			
I, (Print Name) _____ First _____ M.I. _____ Last _____ Social Security Number _____ Hereby authorize: _____ Date of Birth _____ Previous Employer: _____ Email: _____ Street: _____ Telephone: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Fax No.: _____ To release and forward the information requested by section 3 of this document concerning my Alcohol and Controlled Substances Testing records within the previous 3 years from _____. (employment application date)				
To: Prospective Employer: _____ Attention: _____ Telephone: _____ Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ In compliance with §40.25(g) and 391.23(h), release of this information must be made in a written form that ensures confidentiality, such as fax, email, or letter. Prospective employer's fax number: _____ Prospective employer's email address: _____ _____ Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____ This information is being requested in compliance with §40.25(g) and 391.23.				
PART 2:	TO BE COMPLETED BY PREVIOUS EMPLOYER			
ACCIDENT HISTORY				
The applicant named above was employed by us. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>				
Employed as _____ from (m/y) _____ to (m/y) _____				
1. Did he/she drive motor vehicle for you? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, what type? Straight Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Tractor-Semitrailer <input type="checkbox"/> Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Cargo Tank <input type="checkbox"/> Doubles/Triples <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____				
2. Reason for leaving your employ: Discharged <input type="checkbox"/> Resignation <input type="checkbox"/> Lay Off <input type="checkbox"/> Military Duty <input type="checkbox"/> If there is no safety performance history to report, check here <input type="checkbox"/> , sign below and return.				
ACCIDENTS: Complete the following for any accidents included on your accident register (§390.15(b)) that involved the applicant in the 3 years prior to the application date shown above, or check <input type="checkbox"/> here if there is no accident register data for this driver.				
1.	Date	Location	# Injuries	# Fatalities
2.				
3.				
Please provide information concerning any other accidents involving the applicant that were reported to government agencies or insurers or retained under internal company policies: _____ _____ _____				
Any other remarks: _____ _____ _____				
Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____				

PREVIOUS EMPLOYER – COMPLETE PAGE 2 PART 3

PART 3:	TO BE COMPLETED BY PREVIOUS EMPLOYER
DRUG AND ALCOHOL HISTORY	
<p>If driver was not subject to Department of Transportation testing requirements while employed by this employer, please check here <input type="checkbox"/>, fill in the dates of employment from _____ to _____, complete bottom of Part 3, sign, and return.</p> <p>Driver was subject to Department of Transportation testing requirements from _____ to _____.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Has this person had an alcohol test with the result of 0.04 or higher alcohol concentration? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Has this person tested positive or adulterated or substituted a test specimen for controlled substances? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Has this person refused to submit to a post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, or follow-up alcohol or controlled substance test? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Has this person committed other violations of Subpart B of Part 382, or Part 40? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> If this person has violated a DOT drug and alcohol regulation, did this person complete a SAP-prescribed rehabilitation program in your employ, including return-to-duty and follow-up tests? If yes, please send documentation back with this form. YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> For a driver who successfully completed a SAP's rehabilitation referral and remained in your employ, did this driver subsequently have an alcohol test result of 0.04 or greater, a verified positive drug test, or refuse to be tested? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> <p>In answering these questions, include any required DOT drug or alcohol testing information obtained from prior previous employers in the previous 3 years prior to the application date shown on page 1.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Company: _____</p> <p>Street: _____</p> <p>City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone: _____</p> <p>Part 3 Completed by (Signature): _____ Date: _____</p>	

PART 4a:	TO BE COMPLETED BY PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER
<p>This form was (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Faxed to previous employer <input type="checkbox"/> Mailed <input type="checkbox"/> Emailed <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p>By: _____ Date: _____</p>	
PART 4b:	TO BE COMPLETED BY PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER
<p>Complete below when information is obtained.</p> <p>Information received from: _____</p> <p>Recorded by: _____ Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>	

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE THE SAFETY PERFORMANCE HISTORY RECORDS REQUEST

<p>PAGE 1 PART 1: Prospective Employee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the information required in this section • Sign and date • Submit to the Prospective Employer <p>PAGE 2 PART 4a: Prospective Employer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the information • Send to Previous Employer <p>PAGE 1 PART 2: Previous Employer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the information required in this section • Sign and date • Turn form over to complete SIDE 2 SECTION 3 	<p>PAGE 2 PART 3: Previous Employer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the information required in this section • Sign and date • Return to Prospective Employer <p>PAGE 2 PART 4b: Prospective Employer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Record receipt of the information • Retain the form
--	---

**RECORDS REQUEST FOR
DRIVER/APPLICANT SAFETY PERFORMANCE HISTORY**

This request is made by the driver/applicant in compliance with the Department of Transportation regulations.

§391.23(i)(2)	Drivers who have previous Department of Transportation regulated employment history in the preceding three years, and wish to review previous employer-provided investigative information must submit a written request to the prospective employer, which may be done at any time, including when applying, or as late as thirty (30) days after being employed or being notified of denial of employment. The prospective employer must provide this information to the applicant within five (5) business days of receiving the written request. If the prospective employer has not yet received the requested information from the previous employer(s), then the five-business-days deadline will begin when the prospective employer receives the requested safety-performance history information. If the driver has not arranged to pick up or receive the requested records within thirty (30) days of the prospective employer making them available, the prospective motor carrier may consider the driver to have waived his/her request to review the records.
----------------------	--

PART 1:	COMPLETED BY THE DRIVER/APPLICANT	
TO:	Prospective Employer: _____	
	Street/P.O. Box: _____	
	City, State, Zip: _____	Telephone # _____
FROM:	Driver/Applicant: _____ Social Security/I.D. # _____	
	Street: _____	
	City, State, Zip: _____	Telephone # _____
I am submitting this written request to obtain copies of my Department of Transportation Safety Performance History for the preceding three years. I understand, for records requested from a prospective employer, that I must arrange to pick up or receive the requested records within thirty (30) days of the records being made available or I have waived my request to review the records.		
This information should be: <input type="checkbox"/> sent to me at the above address. <input type="checkbox"/> I will arrange to pick up.		
Driver/Applicant Signature: _____		Date: ____ / ____ / ____ M D Y

PART 2:	COMPLETED BY THE PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER	
The information must be provided to the applicant within five (5) business days of receiving the written request. If the prospective employer has not yet received the requested information from the previous employer(s), then the five-business-days deadline will begin when the prospective employer receives the requested safety performance history information.		
Information supplied to:		
Name: _____		
Street: _____		
City, State, Zip: _____		
Comments: _____		
By:		
Signature/person providing information	Telephone #	Release Date: ____ / ____ / ____ M D Y

**SAFETY PERFORMANCE HISTORY INFORMATION
DRIVER/APPLICANT REBUTTAL**

This rebuttal is made by the driver/applicant in compliance with the Department of Transportation regulations.

- §391.23(j)(3)** Drivers wishing to rebut information in records received pursuant to paragraph (i) of this section must send the rebuttal to the previous employer with instructions to include the rebuttal in that driver's safety performance history.
- §391.23(j)(4)** After October 29, 2004, within five business days of receiving a rebuttal from a driver, the previous employer must:
- (i) Forward a copy of the rebuttal to the prospective motor carrier employer;
 - (ii) Append the rebuttal to the driver's information in the carrier's appropriate file, to be included as part of the response for any subsequent investigating prospective employers for the duration of the three-year data retention requirements.

PART 1:	COMPLETED BY THE DRIVER/APPLICANT
TO: Previous Employer: _____ Street/P.O. Box: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____	
FROM: Driver/Applicant: _____ Social Security # _____ Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone No.: _____	
I have submitted this rebuttal to my previous employer requesting that it be attached to my Safety Performance History and provided to subsequent prospective employers.	
Reason for the rebuttal (attach documents as necessary): <hr/> <hr/>	
I request that this rebuttal be sent to the attached list of motor carriers. Driver/Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____ M D Y	

PART 2:	COMPLETED BY THE PREVIOUS EMPLOYER
Received by: Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____ M D Y	

**CORRECTION REQUEST
OF
ERRONEOUS SAFETY PERFORMANCE HISTORY INFORMATION**

This request is made by the driver/applicant in compliance with the Department of Transportation regulations, §391.23, investigations and inquiries, paragraphs (j)(1) and (2) as printed below.

- §391.23(j)(1)** Driver wishing to request correction of erroneous information in records received pursuant to paragraph (i) of this section must send the request for the correction to the previous employer that provided the records to the prospective employer.
- §391.23(j)(2)** After October 29, 2004, the previous employer must either correct and forward the information to the prospective motor carrier employer, or notify the driver within 15 days of receiving a driver's request to correct the data that it does not agree to correct the data. If the previous employer corrects and forwards the data as requested, that employer must also retain the corrected information as part of the driver's safety performance history record and provide it to subsequent prospective employers when requests for this information are received. If the previous employer corrects the data and forwards it to the prospective motor carrier employer, there is no need to notify the driver.

PART 1:	COMPLETED BY THE DRIVER/APPLICANT
<p>TO: Prospective Employer: _____ Street/P.O. Box: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone # _____</p> <p>FROM: Driver/Applicant: _____ Social Security/I.D. # _____ Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone # _____</p> <p>I request correction of erroneous information in my Safety Performance History. Please forward to the following prospective employer: Company Name: _____ Attention: _____ Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____</p> <p>Explanation of desired correction (attach documents as necessary) _____ _____ _____</p>	
Driver/Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____ M D Y Driver: Retain COPY 4 DRIVER RECORD for your files, Submit copies 1, 2, and 3 to your previous employer.	

PART 2:	COMPLETED BY THE PREVIOUS EMPLOYER
<p>Disposition of the requested information:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Information was corrected and forwarded to the prospective motor carrier employer. <input type="checkbox"/> The driver was notified on ____ / ____ / ____ that the previous employer does not agree to correct the data. Return copy 3 to the driver.</p> <p>Information sent to: Company Name: _____ Attention: _____ Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____</p> <p>Comments: _____ _____</p>	
By: _____ Release Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Signature/person providing information Telephone # _____ M D Y	

PART 3:	COMPLETED BY THE PROSPECTIVE MOTOR CARRIER EMPLOYER
The corrected information was received on ____ / ____ / ____ Prospective Employer: _____ Location: _____ Received by: _____ Signature _____ Title _____	

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY PROGRAM
INQUIRY TO STATE AGENCY FOR
DRIVER'S RECORD
391.23**

(Driver's Name)

(Driver's Operator's Lic. No.)

(Driver's Social Sec. No.)

Dear _____,

The above listed individual has made application with us for employment as a driver. Applicant has indicated that the above numbered operator's license or permit has been issued by your State to applicant and it is in good standing.

In accordance with Section 391.23(a)(1) and (b) of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, we are required to make inquiry into the driving record during the preceding 3 years of every State in which an applicant-driver has held a motor vehicle operator's license or permit during those 3 years.

Therefore, please certify to us what the individual's driving record is for the preceding 3 years, or certify that no record exists if that be the case.

In the event that this inquiry does not satisfy your requirements for making such inquiries, please send us such forms of yours as are necessary for us to complete our inquiry into the driving record of this individual.

Respectfully yours,

Signature of individual making inquiry

(printed) Name of person making inquiry

Title of person making inquiry

Motor Carrier Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY PROGRAM
ANNUAL REVIEW OF DRIVING RECORD
391.25**

Name (Last, First, M.I.) (Soc. Sec. No.)

This day I reviewed the driving record of the above named driver in accordance with 391.25 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. I considered any evidence that the driver has violated applicable provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations and the Hazardous Materials Regulations. I considered the driver's accident record and any evidence that he/she violated laws governing the operation of motor vehicles, and gave great weight to violations, such as speeding, reckless driving and operation while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, that indicate that the driver has exhibited a disregard for the safety of the public. Having done the above, I find that:

- [] the driver meets the minimum requirements for safe driving, or
[] the driver is disqualified to drive a motor vehicle pursuant to 391.15

Date of Review

Motor Carrier's Name

Reviewed by: Signature and title

Date of Review

Motor Carrier's Name

Reviewed by: Signature and title

Date of Review

Motor Carrier's Name

Reviewed by: Signature and title

**MOTOR VEHICLE
DRIVER'S CERTIFICATION
OF VIOLATORS
391.27**

I certify that the following is a true and complete list of traffic violations (other than parking violations) for which I have been convicted or forfeited bond or collateral during the past 12 months.

Date	Offense	Location	Type of Vehicle Operated

If no violations are listed above, I certify that I have not been convicted or forfeited bond or collateral on account of any violation required to be listed during the past 12 months.

(Date of Certification)

(Driver's Signature)

(Motor Carrier's Name)

(Motor Carrier's Address)

(Reviewed by: Signature)

(Title)

cer tificA te of Driver's roAD test

Instructions: If the road test is successfully completed, the person who gave it shall complete a certificate of the driver's road test. The original or copy of the certificate shall be retained in the employing motor carrier's driver qualification file of the person examined and a copy given to the person who was examined.
(49 CFR 391.31(e)(f)(g))

cer tificA tion of roAD test

Driver's Name _____

Social Security Number _____

Operator's or Chauffeur's License Number _____

State _____

Type of Power Unit _____

Type of Trailer(s) _____

If passenger carrier, type of bus _____

This is to certify that the above-named driver
was given a road test under my supervision on
_____, 20_____, consisting
of approximately _____ miles of driving.

It is my considered opinion that this driver
possesses sufficient driving skill to operate safely
the type of commercial motor vehicle listed above.

(Signature of Examiner)

(Title)

(Organization and Address of Examiner)

**Medical Examination Report
FOR COMMERCIAL DRIVER FITNESS DETERMINATION**

649-F (6045)

1. DRIVER'S INFORMATION Driver completes this section

Driver's Name (Last, First, Middle)		Social Security No.	Birthdate M / D / Y	Age	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	New Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up <input type="checkbox"/>	Date of Exam
Address	City, State, Zip Code	Work Tel: ()	Home Tel: ()	Driver License No.	License Class <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> Other	State of Issue	

2. HEALTH HISTORY Driver completes this section, but medical examiner is encouraged to discuss with driver.

Yes	No	Yes	No				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lung disease, emphysema, asthma, chronic bronchitis			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney disease, dialysis			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Liver disease			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Digestive problems			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes or elevated blood sugar controlled by: <input type="checkbox"/> diet <input type="checkbox"/> pills <input type="checkbox"/> insulin			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Nervous or psychiatric disorders, e.g., severe depression <input type="checkbox"/> medication _____			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Stroke or paralysis <input type="checkbox"/> finger, toe <input type="checkbox"/> spinal injury or disease			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic low back pain			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular, frequent alcohol use <input type="checkbox"/> Narcotic or habit forming drug use			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of, or altered consciousness			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath			
Eye disorders or impaired vision (except corrective lenses) <input type="checkbox"/> Ear disorders, loss of hearing or balance <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease or heart attack, other cardiovascular condition <input type="checkbox"/> medication _____							
Heart surgery (valve replacement/bypass, angioplasty, pacemaker) <input type="checkbox"/> High blood pressure <input type="checkbox"/> Muscular disease <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath							

For any YES answer, indicate onset date, diagnosis, treating physician's name and address, and any current limitation. List all medications (including over-the-counter medications) used regularly or recently.

I certify that the above information is complete and true. I understand that inaccurate, false or missing information may invalidate the examination and my Medical Examiner's Certificate.

Driver's Signature _____

Date _____

Medical Examiner's Comments on Health History (The medical examiner must review and discuss with the driver any "yes" answers and potential hazards of medications, including over-the-counter medications, while driving. This discussion must be documented below.)

TESTING (Medical Examiner completes Section 3 through 7) Name: Last, _____

First, _____
Middle, _____

3. VISION

Standard: At least 20/40 acuity (Snellen) in each eye with or without correction. At least 70 degrees peripheral in horizontal meridian measured in each eye. The use of corrective lenses should be noted on the Medical Examiner's Certificate.

INSTRUCTIONS: When other than the Snellen chart is used, give test results in Snellen-comparable values. In recording distance vision, use 20 feet as a ratio with 20 as numerator and the smallest type read at 20 feet as denominator. If the applicant wears corrective lenses, these should be worn while visual acuity is being tested. If the driver habitually wears contact lenses, or intends to do so while driving, sufficient evidence of good tolerance and adaptation to their use must be obvious. **Monocular drivers are not qualified.**

Numerical readings must be provided.

ACUITY	UNCORRECTED	CORRECTED	HORIZONTAL FIELD OF VISION
Right Eye	20/	20/	Right Eye ○
Left Eye	20/	20/	Left Eye ○
Both Eyes	20/	20/	

Complete next line only if vision testing is done by an ophthalmologist or optometrist

Date of Examination _____ Name of Ophthalmologist or Optometrist (print) _____ Tel. No. _____

License No./ State of Issue _____

Signature _____

4. HEARING

Standard: a) Must first perceive forced whispered voice ≥ 5 ft., with or without hearing aid, or b) average hearing loss in better ear ≤ 40 dB
 Check if hearing aid used for tests. Check if hearing aid required to meet standard.

INSTRUCTIONS: To convert audiometric test results from ISO to ANSI, -14 dB from ISO for 500Hz, -10dB for 1,000 Hz, -8.5 dB for 2000 Hz. To average, add the readings for 3 frequencies tested and divide by 3.

Numerical readings must be recorded.

a) Record distance from individual at which forced whispered voice can first be heard.	Right ear \ Feet	Left Ear \ Feet
--	---------------------	--------------------

b) If audiometer is used, record hearing loss in decibels. (acc. to ANSI Z24.5-1951)

Right Ear			Left Ear		
500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz
Average:			Average:		

5. BLOOD PRESSURE/PULSE RATE

Numerical readings must be recorded. Medical Examiner should take at least two readings to confirm BP.

Blood Pressure	Systolic	Diastolic	Reading	Category	Expiration Date	Recertification
Driver qualified if $\leq 140/90$.			140-159/90-99	Stage 1	1 year	1 year if $\leq 140/90$. One-time certificate for 3 months if 141-159/91-99.
Pulse Rate: <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular			160-179/100-109	Stage 2	One-time certificate for 3 months.	1 year from date of exam if $\leq 140/90$
Record Pulse Rate: _____			$\geq 180/110$	Stage 3	6 months from date of exam if $\leq 140/90$	6 months if $\leq 140/90$

6. LABORATORY AND OTHER TEST FINDINGS

URINE SPECIMEN	SP. GR.	PROTEIN	BLOOD	SUGAR
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Numerical readings must be recorded.

Urinalysis is required. Protein, blood or sugar in the urine may be an indication for further testing to rule out any underlying medical problem.
 Other Testing (Describe and record) _____

7. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Height: _____ (in.) Weight: _____ (lbs.)

Name: Last, First, Middle,

The presence of a certain condition may not necessarily disqualify a driver, particularly if the condition is controlled adequately, is not likely to worsen or is readily amenable to treatment. Even if a condition does not disqualify a driver, the medical examiner may consider deferring the driver temporarily. Also, the driver should be advised to take the necessary steps to correct the condition as soon as possible particularly if the condition, if neglected, could result in more serious illness that might affect driving.

Check YES if there are any abnormalities. Check NO if the body system is normal. Discuss any YES answers in detail in the space below, and indicate whether it would affect the driver's ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely. Enter applicable item number before each comment. If organic disease is present, note that it has been compensated for. See *Instructions to the Medical Examiner* for guidance.

BODY SYSTEM	CHECK FOR:	YES*	NO	BODY SYSTEM	CHECK FOR:	YES*	NO
1. General Appearance	Marked overweight, tremor, signs of alcoholism, problem drinking, or drug abuse.			7. Abdomen and Viscera	Enlarged liver, enlarged spleen, masses, bruits, hernia, significant abdominal wall muscle weakness.		
2. Eyes	Pupillary equality, reaction to light, accommodation, ocular motility, ocular muscle imbalance, extraocular movement, nystagmus, exophthalmos. Ask about retinopathy, cataracts, aphakia, glaucoma, macular degeneration and refer to a specialist if appropriate.			8. Vascular System	Abnormal pulse and amplitude, carotid or arterial bruits, varicose veins.		
3. Ears	Scarring of tympanic membrane, occlusion of external canal, perforated eardrums.			9. Genito-urinary System	Hernias.		
4. Mouth and Throat	Irremediable deformities likely to interfere with breathing or swallowing.			10. Extremities- Limb impaired. Driver may be subject to SPE certificate if otherwise qualified.	Loss of impairment of leg, foot, toe, arm, hand, finger, Perceptible limp, deformities, atrophy, weakness, paralysis, clubbing, edema, hypotonia. Insufficient grasp and prehension in upper limb to maintain steering wheel grip. Insufficient mobility and strength in lower limb to operate pedals properly.		
5. Heart	Murmurs, extra sounds, enlarged heart, pacemaker, implantable defibrillator.			11. Spine, other musculoskeletal	Previous surgery, deformities, limitation of motion, tenderness.		
6. Lungs and chest, not including breast examination	Abnormal chest wall expansion, abnormal respiratory rate, abnormal breath sounds including wheezes or alveolar rales, impaired respiratory function, cyanosis. Abnormal findings on physical exam may require further testing such as pulmonary tests and/ or xray of chest.			12. Neurological	Impaired equilibrium, coordination or speech pattern; asymmetric deep tendon reflexes, sensory or positional abnormalities, abnormal patellar and Babinski's reflexes, ataxia.		

***COMMENTS:** _____**Note certification status here.** See Instructions to the Medical Examiner for guidance.

- Meets standards in 49 CFR 391.41; qualifies for 2 year certificate
 Does not meet standards
 Meets standards, but periodic monitoring required due to _____
 Driver qualified only for: 3 months 6 months 1 year Other _____
- Temporarily disqualified due to (condition or medication): _____
- Return to medical examiner's office for follow up on _____
- If meets standards, complete a Medical Examiner's Certificate as stated in 49 CFR 391.43(h). (Driver must carry certificate when operating a commercial vehicle.)

- Wearing corrective lenses
 Wearing hearing aid
 Accompanied by a _____ waiver/ exemption. Driver must present exemption at time of certification.
 Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate
 Driving within an exempt intracity zone (See 49 CFR 391.62)
 Qualified by operation of 49 CFR 391.64
 Medical Examiner's signature _____
 Medical Examiner's name _____
 Address _____
 Telephone Number _____

49 CFR 391.41 Physical Qualifications for Drivers

THE DRIVER'S ROLE

Responsibilities, work schedules, physical and emotional demands, and lifestyles among commercial drivers vary by the type of driving that they do. Some of the main types of drivers include the following: turn around or short relay (drivers return to their home base each evening); long relay (drivers drive 9-11 hours and then have at least a 10-hour off-duty period); straight through haul (cross country drivers); and team drivers (drivers share the driving by alternating their 5-hour driving periods and 5-hour rest periods).

The following factors may be involved in a driver's performance of duties: abrupt schedule changes and rotating work schedules, which may result in irregular sleep patterns and a driver beginning a trip in a fatigued condition; long hours; extended time away from family and friends, which may result in lack of social support; tight pickup and delivery schedules, with irregularity in work, rest, and eating patterns, adverse road, weather and traffic conditions, which may cause delays and lead to hurried loading or unloading cargo in order to compensate for the lost time; and environmental conditions such as excessive vibration, noise, and extremes in temperature. Transporting passengers or hazardous materials may add to the demands on the commercial driver.

There may be duties in addition to the driving task for which a driver is responsible and needs to be fit. Some of these responsibilities are: coupling and uncoupling trailer(s) from the tractor, loading and unloading trailer(s) (sometimes a driver may lift a heavy load or unload as much as 50,000 lbs. of freight after sitting for a long period of time without any stretching period); inspecting the operating condition of tractor and/or trailer(s) before, during and after delivery of cargo; lifting, installing, and removing heavy tire chains; and, lifting heavy tarps to cover open top trailers. The above tasks demand agility, the ability to bend and stoop, the ability to maintain a crouching position to inspect the underside of the vehicle, frequent entering and exiting of the cab, and the ability to climb ladders on the tractor and/or trailer(s). In addition, a driver must have the perceptual skills to monitor a sometimes complex driving situation, the judgment skills to make quick decisions, when necessary, and the manipulative skills to control an oversize steering wheel, shift gears using a manual transmission, and maneuver a vehicle in crowded areas.

§391.45 PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR DRIVERS

(a) A person shall not drive a commercial motor vehicle unless he is physically qualified to do so and, except as provided in §391.67, has on his person the original, or a photographic copy, of a medical examiner's certificate that he is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle.

(b) A person is physically qualified to drive a motor vehicle if that person:

(1) Has no loss of a foot, a leg, a hand, or an arm, or has been granted a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate (formerly Limb Waiver Program) pursuant to §391.49.

(2) Has no impairment of: (i) A hand or finger which interferes with prehension or power grasping; or (ii) An arm, foot, or leg which interferes with the ability to perform normal tasks associated with operating a commercial motor vehicle; or any other significant limb defect or limitation which interferes with the ability to perform normal tasks associated with operating a commercial motor vehicle; or has been granted a SPE Certificate pursuant to §391.49.

(3) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus currently requiring insulin for control;

(4) Has no current clinical diagnosis of myocardial infarction, angina pectoris, coronary insufficiency, thrombosis, or any other cardiovascular disease of a variety known to be accompanied by syncope, dyspnea, collapse, or congestive cardiac failure.

(5) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of a respiratory dysfunction likely to interfere with his ability to control and drive a commercial motor vehicle safely.

(6) Has no current clinical diagnosis of high blood pressure likely to interfere with his ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely.

(7) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of rheumatic, arthritic, orthopedic, muscular, neuromuscular, or vascular disease which interferes with his ability to control and operate a commercial motor vehicle safely.

(8) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a commercial motor vehicle;

(9) Has no mental, nervous, organic, or functional disease or psychiatric disorder likely to interfere with his ability to drive a commercial motor vehicle safely;

(10) Has distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in each eye without corrective lenses or visual acuity separately corrected to 20/40 (Snellen) or better with corrective lenses, distant binocular acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in both eyes with or without corrective lenses, field of vision of at least 70 degrees in the horizontal meridian in each eye, and the ability to recognize the colors of traffic signals and devices showing standard red, green and amber;

(11) First perceives a forced whispered voice in the better ear not less than 5 feet with or without the use of a hearing aid, or, if tested by use of an audiometric device, does not have an average hearing loss in the better ear greater than 40 decibels at 500 Hz, 1,000 Hz and 2,000 Hz with or without a hearing device when the audiometric device is calibrated to the American National Standard (formerly ASA Standard) Z224.5-1951;

(12) (i) Does not use a controlled substance identified in 21 CFR 1308.11 Schedule I, an amphetamine, a narcotic, or any other habit-forming drug. (ii) Exception: A driver may use such a substance or drug, if the substance or drug is prescribed by a licensed medical practitioner who: (A) Is familiar with the driver's medical history and assigned duties; and (B) Has advised the driver that the prescribed substance or drug will not adversely affect the driver's ability to safely operate a commercial motor vehicle; and (13) Has no current clinical diagnosis of alcoholism.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

General Information

The purpose of this examination is to determine a driver's physical qualification to operate a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) in interstate commerce according to the requirements in 49 CFR 391.41-49. Therefore, the medical examiner must be knowledgeable of these requirements and guidelines developed by the FMCSA to assist the medical examiner in making the qualification determination. The medical examiner should be familiar with the driver's responsibilities and work environment and is referred to the section on the form, **The Driver's Role**.

In addition to reviewing the **Health History** section with the driver and conducting the physical examination, the medical examiner should discuss common prescriptions and over-the-counter medications relative to the side effects and hazards of these medications while driving. Educate the driver to read warning labels on all medications. History of certain conditions may be cause for rejection, particularly if required by regulation, or may indicate the need for additional laboratory tests or more stringent examination perhaps by a medical specialist. These decisions are usually made by the medical examiner in light of the driver's job responsibilities, work schedule and potential for the conditions to render the driver unsafe.

Medical conditions should be recorded even if they are not cause for denial, and they should be discussed with the driver to encourage appropriate remedial care. This advice is especially needed when a condition, if neglected, could develop into a serious illness that could affect driving.

If the medical examiner determines that the driver is fit to drive and is also able to perform non-driving responsibilities as may be required, the medical examiner signs the medical certificate which the driver must carry with his/her license. The certificate must be dated. **Under current regulations, the certificate is valid for two years, unless the driver has a medical condition that does not prohibit driving but does require more frequent monitoring.** In such situations, the medical certificate should be issued for a shorter length of time. The physical examination should be done carefully and at least as complete as is indicated by the attached form. Contact the FMCSA at (202) 366-1790 for further information (a vision exemption, qualifying drivers under 49 CFR 391.64, etc.).

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations -Advisory Criteria-

Loss of Limb: §391.41(b)(1)	Diabetes §391.41(b)(3)
A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person: <i>Has no loss of a foot, leg, hand or an arm, or has been granted a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate pursuant to Section 391.49.</i>	A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person: <i>Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus currently requiring insulin for control.</i> Diabetes mellitus is a disease which, on occasion, can result in a loss of consciousness or disorientation in time and space. Individuals who require insulin for control have conditions which can get out of control by the use of too much or too little insulin, or food intake not consistent with the insulin dosage. Incapacitation may occur from symptoms of hypoglycemic or hyperglycemic reactions (drowsiness, semiconsciousness, diabetic coma or insulin shock).
Limb Impairment: §391.41(b)(2)	The administration of insulin is, within itself, a complicated process requiring insulin, syringe, needle, alcohol sponge and a sterile technique. Factors related to long-haul commercial motor vehicle operations, such as fatigue, lack of sleep, poor diet, emotional conditions, stress, and concomitant illness, compound the dangers, the FMCSA has consistently held that a diabetic who uses insulin for control does not meet the minimum physical requirements of the FMCSRs.
A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person: <i>Has no impairment of: (i) A hand or finger which interferes with prehension or power grasping; or (ii) An arm, foot, or leg which interferes with the ability to perform normal tasks associated with operating a commercial motor vehicle; or (iii) Any other significant limb defect or limitation which interferes with the ability to perform normal tasks associated with operating a commercial motor vehicle; or (iv) Has been granted a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate pursuant to Section 391.49.</i>	Hypoglycemic drugs, taken orally, are sometimes prescribed for diabetic individuals to help stimulate natural body production of insulin. If the condition can be controlled by the use of oral medication and diet, then an individual may be qualified under the present rule. CMV drivers who do not meet the Federal diabetes standard may call (202) 366-1790 for an application for a diabetes exemption. (See Conference Report on Diabetic Disorders and Commercial Drivers and Insulin-Using Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers at: http://www.fmsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm)
Cardiovascular Condition §391.41(b)(4)	A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person: <i>Has no current clinical diagnosis of myocardial infarction, angina pectoris, coronary insufficiency, thrombosis or any other cardiovascular disease of a variety known to be accompanied by syncope, dyspnea, collapse or congestive cardiac failure.</i> The term "has no current clinical diagnosis of" is specifically designed to encompass: "a clinical diagnosis of" (1) a current cardiovascular condition, or (2) a cardiovascular condition which has not fully stabilized regardless of the time limit. The term "known to be

Interpretation of Medical Standards

Since the issuance of the regulations for physical qualifications of commercial drivers, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has published recommendations called Advisory Criteria to help medical examiners in determining whether a driver meets the physical qualifications for commercial driving. These recommendations have been condensed to provide information to medical examiners that (1) is directly relevant to the physical examination and (2) is not already included in the medical examination form. The specific regulation is printed in italics and its reference by section is highlighted.

accompanied by" is designed to include a clinical diagnosis of a cardiovascular disease (1) which is accompanied by symptoms of syncope, dyspnea, collapse or congestive cardiac failure, and/or (2) which is likely to cause syncope, dyspnea, collapse or congestive cardiac failure.

It is the intent of the FMCSRs to render unqualified, a driver who has a current cardiovascular disease which is accompanied by and/or likely to cause symptoms of syncope, dyspnea, collapse, or congestive cardiac failure. However, the subjective decision of whether the nature and severity of an individual's condition will likely cause symptoms of cardiovascular insufficiency is on an individual basis and qualification rests with the medical examiner and the motor carrier. In those cases where there is an occurrence of cardiovascular insufficiency (myocardial infarction, thrombosis, etc.), it is suggested before a driver is certified that he or she have a normal resting and stress electrocardiogram (ECG), no residual complications and no physical limitations, and is taking no medication likely to interfere with safe driving.

Coronary artery bypass surgery and pacemaker implantation are remedial procedures and thus, not unqualifying. Implantable cardioverte defibrillators are disqualifying due to risk of syncope. Coumadin is a medical treatment which can improve the health and safety of the driver and should not, by its use, medically disqualify the commercial driver. The emphasis should be on the underlying medical condition(s) which require treatment and the general health of the driver. The FMCSA should be contacted at (202) 368-1790 for additional recommendations regarding the physical qualification of drivers on coumadin.

(See Cardiovascular Advisory Panel Guidelines for the Medical examination of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers at: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Respiratory Dysfunction

§391.41(b)(5)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of a respiratory dysfunction likely to interfere with ability to control and drive a commercial motor vehicle safely.

Since a driver must be alert at all times, any change in his or her mental state is in direct conflict with highway safety. Even the slightest impairment in respiratory function under emergency conditions (when greater oxygen supply is necessary for performance) may be detrimental to safe driving.

There are many conditions that interfere with oxygen exchange and may result in incapacitation, including emphysema, chronic asthma, carcinoma, tuberculosis, chronic bronchitis and sleep apnea. If the medical examiner detects a respiratory dysfunction, that in any way is likely to interfere with the driver's ability to safely control and drive a commercial motor vehicle, the driver must be referred to a specialist for further evaluation and therapy. Anticoagulation therapy for deep vein thrombosis and/or pulmonary thromboembolism is not unqualifying once optimum dose is achieved, provided lower extremity venous examinations remain normal and the treating physician gives a favorable recommendation.

(See Conference on Pulmonary/Respiratory Disorders and Commercial Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Hypertension

§391.41(b)(6)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no current clinical diagnosis of high blood pressure likely to interfere with ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely.

Hypertension alone is unlikely to cause sudden collapse; however, the likelihood increases when target organ damage, particularly cerebral vascular disease, is present. This regulatory criteria is based on FMCSAs Cardiovascular Advisory Guidelines for the Examination of CMV Drivers, which used the Sixth Report of the Joint National Committee on Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure (1997).

Stage 1 hypertension corresponds to a systolic BP of 140-159 mmHg and/or a diastolic BP of 90-99 mmHg. The driver with a BP in this range is at low risk for hypertension-related acute incapacitation and may be medically certified to drive for a one-year period. Certification examinations should be done annually thereafter and should be at or less than 140/90. If less than 160/100, certification may be extended one time for 3 months.

A blood pressure of 160-179 systolic and/or 100-109 diastolic is considered Stage 2 hypertension, and the driver is not necessarily unqualified during evaluation and institution of treatment. The driver is given a one time certification of three months to reduce his or her blood pressure to less than or equal to 140/90. A blood pressure in this range is an absolute indication for anti-hypertensive drug therapy. Provided treatment is well tolerated and the driver demonstrates a BP value of 140/90 or less, he or she may be certified for one year from date of the initial exam. The driver is certified annually thereafter.

A blood pressure at or greater than 180 (systolic) and 110 (diastolic) is considered Stage 3, high risk for an acute BP-related event. The driver may **not** be qualified, even temporarily, until reduced to 140/90 or less and treatment is well tolerated. The driver may be certified for 6 months and biannually (every 6 months) thereafter if at recheck BP is 140/90 or less.

Annual recertification is recommended if the medical examiner does not know the severity of hypertension prior to treatment.

An elevated blood pressure finding should be confirmed by at least two subsequent measurements on different days. Treatment includes nonpharmacologic and pharmacologic modalities as well as counseling to reduce other risk factors. Most antihypertensive medications also have side effects, the importance of which must be judged on an individual basis. Individuals must be alerted to the hazards of these medications while driving. Side effects of somnolence or syncope are particularly undesirable in commercial drivers.

Secondary hypertension is based on the above stages.

Evaluation is warranted if patient is persistently hypertensive

on maximal or near-maximal doses of 2-3 pharmacologic agents. Some causes of secondary hypertension may be amenable to surgical intervention or specific pharmacologic disease.

(See Cardiovascular Advisory Panel Guidelines for the Medical Examination of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Rheumatic, Arthritic, Orthopedic, Muscular, Neuromuscular or Vascular Disease §391.41(b)(7)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of rheumatic, arthritic, orthopedic, muscular, neuromuscular or vascular disease which interferes with the ability to control and operate a commercial motor vehicle safely.

Certain diseases are known to have acute episodes of transient muscle weakness, poor muscular coordination (ataxia), abnormal sensations (paresthesia), decreased muscular tone (hypotonia), visual disturbances and pain which may be suddenly incapacitating. With each recurring episode, these symptoms may become more pronounced and remain for longer periods of time. Other diseases have more insidious onsets and display symptoms of muscle wasting (atrophy), swelling and paresthesia which may not suddenly incapacitate a person but may restrict his/her movements and eventually interfere with the ability to safely operate a motor vehicle. In many instances these diseases are degenerative in nature or may result in deterioration of the involved area.

Once the individual has been diagnosed as having a rheumatic, arthritic, orthopedic, muscular, neuromuscular or vascular disease, then he/she has an established history of that disease. The physician, when examining an individual, should consider the following: (1) the nature and severity of the individual's condition (such as sensory loss or loss of strength); (2) the degree of limitation present (such as range of motion); (3) the likelihood of progressive limitation (not always present initially but may manifest itself over time); and (4) the likelihood of sudden incapacitation. If severe functional impairment exists, the driver does not qualify. In cases where more frequent monitoring is required, a certificate for a shorter period of time may be issued. (See Conference on Neurological Disorders and Commercial Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Epilepsy §391.41(b)(8)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a motor vehicle.

Epilepsy is a chronic functional disease characterized by seizures or episodes that occur without warning, resulting in loss of voluntary control which may lead to loss of consciousness and/or seizures. Therefore, the following drivers cannot be qualified: (1) a driver who has a medical history of epilepsy; (2) a driver who has a current clinical diagnosis of epilepsy; or (3) a driver who is taking antiseizure medication.

If an individual has had a sudden episode of a nonepileptic seizure or loss of consciousness of unknown cause which did not require antiseizure medication, the decision as to whether that person's condition will likely cause loss of consciousness or loss of ability to control a motor vehicle is made on an individual basis by the medical examiner in consultation with the treating physician. Before certification is considered, it is suggested that a 6 month waiting period elapse from the time of the episode. Following the waiting period, it is suggested that the individual have a complete neurological examination. If the results of the examination are negative and antiseizure medication is not required, then the driver may be qualified.

In those individual cases where a driver has a seizure or an episode of loss of consciousness that resulted from a known medical condition (e.g., drug reaction, high temperature, acute infectious disease, dehydration or acute metabolic disturbance), certification should be deferred until the driver has fully recovered from that condition and has no existing residual complications, and not taking antiseizure medication.

Drivers with a history of epilepsy/ seizures off antiseizure medication and seizure-free for 10 years may be qualified to drive a CMV in interstate commerce. Interstate drivers with a history of a single unprovoked seizure may be qualified to drive a CMV in interstate commerce if seizure-free and off antiseizure medication for a 5-year period or more.

(See Conference on Neurological Disorders and Commercial Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Mental Disorders

§391.41(b)(9)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no mental, nervous, organic or functional disease or psychiatric disorder likely to interfere with ability to drive a motor vehicle safely.

Emotional or adjustment problems contribute directly to an individual's level of memory, reasoning, attention, and judgment. These problems often underlie physical disorders. A variety of functional disorders can cause drowsiness, dizziness, confusion, weakness or paralysis that may lead to incoordination, inattention, loss of functional control and susceptibility to accidents while driving. Physical fatigue, headache, impaired coordination, recurring physical ailments and chronic "haggling" pain may be present to such a degree that certification for commercial driving is inadvisable. Somatic and psychosomatic complaints should be thoroughly examined when determining an individual's overall fitness to drive.

Disorders of a periodically incapacitating nature, even in the early stages of development, may warrant disqualification.

Many bus and truck drivers have documented that "nervous trouble" related to neurotic, personality, or emotional or adjustment problems is responsible for a significant fraction of their preventable accidents. The degree to which an individual is able to appreciate, evaluate and adequately respond to environmental strain and emotional stress is critical when assessing an individual's mental alertness and flexibility to cope with the stresses of commercial motor vehicle driving.

When examining the driver, it should be kept in mind that individuals who live under chronic emotional upsets may have deeply ingrained maladaptive or erratic behavior patterns. Excessively antagonistic, instinctive, impulsive, openly aggressive, paranoid or severely depressed behavior greatly interfere with the driver's ability to drive safely. Those individuals who are highly susceptible to frequent states of emotional instability (schizophrenia, affective psychoses, paranoia, anxiety or depressive neuroses) may warrant disqualification. Careful consideration should be given to the side effects and interactions of medications in the overall qualification determination. See Psychiatric Conference Report for specific recommendations on the use of medications and potential hazards for driving.

(See Conference on Psychiatric Disorders and Commercial Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/mhedreports.htm>)

Vision

§391.41(b)(10)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in each eye with or without corrective lenses or visual acuity separately corrected to 20/40 (Snellen) or better with corrective lenses, distant binocular acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in both eyes with or without corrective lenses, field of vision of at least 70 degrees in the horizontal meridian in each eye, and the ability to recognize the colors of traffic signals and devices showing standard red, green, and amber.

The term "ability to recognize the colors of" is interpreted to mean if a person can recognize and distinguish among traffic control signals and devices showing standard red, green and amber, he or she meets the minimum standard, even though he or she may have some type of color perception deficiency. If certain color perception tests are administered, (such as Ishihara, Pseudoisochromatic, Yarn) and doubtful findings are discovered, a controlled test using signal red, green and amber may be employed to determine the driver's ability to recognize these colors.

Contact lenses are permissible if there is sufficient evidence to indicate that the driver has good tolerance and is well adapted to their use. Use of a contact lens in one eye for near distance visual acuity and another lens in the other eye for near vision is not acceptable, nor telescopic lenses acceptable for the driving of commercial motor vehicles.

If an individual meets the criteria by the use of glasses or contact lenses, the following statement shall appear on the Medical Examiner's Certificate: "Qualified only if wearing corrective lenses."

CMV drivers who do not meet the Federal vision standard may call (202) 366-1790 for an application for a vision exemption.
(See Visual Disorders and Commercial Drivers at:
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Hearing

§391.41(b)(11)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

First perceives a forced whispered voice in the better ear at not less than 5 feet with or without the use of a hearing aid, or, if tested by use of an audiometric device, does not have an average hearing loss in the better ear greater than 40 decibels at 500 Hz, 1,000 Hz, and 2,000 Hz with or without a hearing aid when the audiometric device is calibrated to American National Standard (formerly ADA Standard) Z24.5-1951.

Since the prescribed standard under the FMCSRs is the American Standards Association (ANSI), it may be necessary to convert the audiometric results from the ISO standard to the ANSI standard. Instructions are included on the Medical Examination report form.

If an individual meets the criteria by using a hearing aid, the driver must wear that hearing aid and have it in operation at all times while driving. Also, the driver must be in possession of a spare power source for the hearing aid.

For the whispered voice test, the individual should be stationed at least 5 feet from the examiner with the ear being tested turned toward the examiner. The other ear is covered. Using the breath which remains after a normal expiration, the examiner whispers words or random numbers such as 66, 18,

23, etc. The examiner should not use only sibilants (s sounding materials). The opposite ear should be tested in the same manner. If the individual fails the whispered voice test, the audiometric test should be administered.

If an individual meets the criteria by the use of a hearing aid, the following statement must appear on the Medical Examiner's Certificate "Qualified only when wearing a hearing aid."

(See Hearing Disorders and Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers at: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Drug Use

§39.41(b)(12)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Does not use a controlled substance identified in 21 CFR 1308.11.

Schedule I, an amphetamine, a narcotic, or any other habit-forming drug.
Exception: A driver may use such a substance or drug, if the substance or drug is prescribed by a licensed medical practitioner who is familiar with the driver's medical history and assigned duties; and has advised the driver that the prescribed substance or drug will not adversely affect the driver's ability to safely operate a commercial motor vehicle.

This exception does not apply to methadone. The intent of the medical certification process is to medically evaluate a driver to ensure that the driver has no medical condition which interferes with the safe performance of driving tasks on a public road. If a driver uses a Schedule I drug or other substance, an amphetamine, a narcotic, or any other habit-forming drug, it may be cause for the driver to be found medically unqualified. Motor carriers are encouraged to obtain a practitioner's written statement about the effects on transportation safety of the use of a particular drug.

A test for controlled substances is not required as part of this biennial certification process. The FMCSA or the driver's employer should be contacted directly for information on controlled substances and alcohol testing under Part 382 of the FMCSRs.

The term "uses" is designed to encompass instances of prohibited drug use determined by a physician through established medical means. This may or may not involve body fluid testing. If body fluid testing takes place, positive test results should be confirmed by a second test of greater specificity. The term "habit-forming" is intended to include any drug or medication generally recognized as capable of becoming habitual, and which may impair the user's ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely.

The driver is medically unqualified for the duration of the prohibited drug(s) use and until a second examination shows the driver is free from the prohibited drug(s) use. Recertification may involve a substance abuse evaluation, the successful completion of a drug rehabilitation program, and a negative drug test result. Additionally, given that the certification period is normally two years, the examiner has the option to certify for a period of less than 2 years if this examiner determines more frequent monitoring is required.

(See Conference on Neurological Disorders and Commercial Drivers and Conference on Psychiatric Disorders and Commercial Drivers at: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/medreports.htm>)

Alcoholism

§39.41(b)(13)

A person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person:

Has no current clinical diagnosis of alcoholism.

The term "current clinical diagnosis of" is specifically designed to encompass a current alcoholic illness or those instances where the individual's physical condition has not fully stabilized, regardless of the time element. If an individual shows signs of having an alcohol-use problem, he or she should be referred to a specialist. After counseling and/or treatment, he or she may be considered for certification.

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATE

I certify that I have examined and with knowledge of the driving duties, I find this person is qualified; and, if applicable, only when:

- wearing corrective lenses
- wearing hearing aid
- accompanied by a _____ waiver exemption
- accompanied by a _____
- driving within an exempt intracity zone (49 CFR 391.62)
- accompanied by a Skill Performance Evaluation Certificate (SPE)
- Qualified by operation of 49 CFR 391.64

The information I have provided regarding this physical examination is true and complete. A complete examination form with any attachment embodies my findings completely and correctly, and is on file in my office.

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S NAME (PRINT)	TELEPHONE	DATE
<input type="checkbox"/> MD <input type="checkbox"/> DO <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Assistant		<input type="checkbox"/> Chiropractor <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Practice Nurse

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE NO./ISSUING STATE

SIGNATURE OF DRIVER	DRIVER'S LICENSE NO.	STATE
ADDRESS OF DRIVER		

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE EXPIRATION DATE

MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER DRIVERS

Instructions: If a motor carrier employs a person as a multiple-employer driver (as defined in 49 CFR 390.5), the motor carrier shall comply with all requirements of Part 391, except the carrier need not—

- (1) Require the person to furnish an application for employment (391.21);
- (2) Make an inquiry into the person's driving record during the preceding three years to the appropriate State agency(s) and an investigation of the person's employment record during the preceding three years (391.23);
- (3) Perform annual review of the person's driving record (391.25); or
- (4) Require the person to furnish a record of violations or a certificate (391.27).

The checklist below may be helpful to ensure that required documents are obtained.

DRIVER QUALIFICATION FILE CHECKLIST

Name _____

Social Security Number _____

Driver's License Number _____

Type of License _____ State _____

In addition to the above information, copies of the following must be obtained.

- Medical Examiner's Certificate
- Road Test (or equivalent)
- Certificate of Road Test
- Controlled Substances Test

Diabetes and Vision Exemptions (Part 381, Subpart C)

An individual may apply for an exemption from the diabetes, 49 CFR section 391.41(b)(3), and vision standard, 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). If you do not currently meet the diabetes and/or the vision standard and are unable to obtain a medical card, you may be an eligible candidate.

See link for exemption packages:

<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rules-regulations/topics/medical/exemptions.htm>

Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate Program for Drivers with Missing or Impaired Arms, Hands, Fingers, Legs or Feet (391.49)

Drivers with physical impairments which affect their ability to safely operate CMVs according to their medical examiners, or with missing limbs (e.g., a hand or finger, an arm, foot or leg), are required to obtain SPE certificates.

SPE certificate application packets can be downloaded from the below site, or obtained by contacting FMCSA's Service Center (below) which is responsible for the territory in which the driver is a legal resident.

New Driver Application Package: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/safetyprograms/spe-certificate-package.pdf>

Renewal Package: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/safetyprograms/spe-certificate-renew-package.pdf>

For questions regarding the SPE certificate application packets and/or medical requirements, please contact:

Limited Exemptions (391.61-391.69)

391.61	Drivers who were regularly employed before January 1, 1971
391.62	Limited exemptions for intra-city zone drivers
391.63	Multiple-employer drivers
391.64	Grandfathering for certain drivers participating in vision and diabetes waiver study programs
391.65	Drivers furnished by other motor carriers
391.67	Farm vehicle drivers of articulated commercial motor vehicles
391.68	Private motor carrier of passengers (nonbusiness)
391.69	Private motor carrier of passengers (business)

Location	Address	Territory Included
Eastern Service Center	802 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite N Glen Burnie, MD 21061 Phone: (443) 703-2240	CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NJ, NH, NY, PA, PR, RI, VA, VT, WV
Midwestern Service Center	19900 Governors Drive, Suite 210 Olympia Fields, IL 60461 Phone: (708) 283-3577 • FAX: (708) 283-3579	IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MO, MN, NE, OH, WI
Southern Service Center	1800 Century Boulevard, N.E., Suite 1700 Atlanta, GA 30345-3220 Phone: (404) 327-7371 • FAX: (404) 327-7359	AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX
Western Service Center	1800 Century Boulevard, N.E., Suite 1700 Atlanta, GA 30345-3220 Phone: (404) 327-7370 • FAX: (404) 327-7359 (SPE inquiries for Western States are handled by the Southern Service Center)	American Samoa, AK, AZ, CA, CO, Guam, HI, ID, Mariana Islands, MT, ND, NM, NV, OR, SD, UT, WA, WY

Disqualifying Offenses (391.15)

A driver is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) on public highways for the following offenses:

- Revocation, suspension, or withdrawal of an operator's license.
- Conviction or forfeiture of bond for the following criminal offenses while driving a commercial motor vehicle:
 - Driving a CMV while under the influence of alcohol.
 - Driving a CMV while under the influence of a disqualifying drug or other controlled substance.
 - Transporting or possessing a disqualifying drug or controlled substance.
 - Leaving the scene of an accident that involves a CMV.
 - Using a CMV to commit a felony.
 - Using a CMV to violate an Out-of-Service Order.

Disqualifying Offense Penalties (391.15)

- A first offender is disqualified for one year following conviction or forfeiture (6 months for possession of a controlled substance).
- For a second offense within three years, a driver is disqualified for three years.

Additional Requirements

For additional requirements see:

Part 380 – Entry-Level Driver Training and Longer Combination Vehicle Driver Training
(page 11)

Part 382 – Controlled Substance and Alcohol Use and Testing *(page 15)*

Part 383 – Commercial Driver's License Standards *(page 21)*



NOTES:
