

CDL Medical Information

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations require ALL Commercial Driver License (CDL) holders to certify in one of four categories (A-D) prior to any issuance of a Commercial Driver License or Commercial Learner Permit.

Those certifying in non-excepted interstate or intrastate commerce (Category A or C) must also ensure medical documentation on file with the state issuing agency is current and remains updated.

Failure to present valid medical documentation, when required, will result in the denial of the issuance of the CDL. Failure to maintain current medical documentation on file may result in CDL disqualification.

CDL holders can no longer claim exemption from medical certification requirements if they are not currently operating in non-excepted interstate or intrastate commerce. Medical certification must be maintained or you must downgrade to a non-commercial license.

You can update the medical certification online using the CDL Self-Certification System located at <https://services.flhsmv.gov/CDLMedCert/> or at any Lee County Tax Collector office. An office service fee of \$6.25 will apply when processed at a tax collector office.

Note - If you self-certify in an excepted category (B or D) and later change to a non-excepted category (A or C) you must re-certify in the appropriate category and provide proof of valid medical certification to avoid COL disqualification.



Check your record:
<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/check>



CDL Knowledge Exams are available by appointment only.

To schedule an appointment:

1 Go to **LeeTC.com**

2 Click

 **SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT**

3 Select

Driver License/ID Card/CDL

4 Check the box next to

CDL Knowledge Test 

For more information about
CDLs & Endorsements
(ex: HazMat, Passenger/School Bus)
visit **LeeTC.com/commercial-driver-license.**



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FLORIDA **Commercial Driver License** CERTIFICATION



“Thank you for your interest in learning more about earning your Commercial Driver License (CDL). We hope this information is helpful as you research the different types of CDLs available, as well as the medical certification needed.”



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Lee County Tax Collector

Visit our official website at **LeeTC.com**

Important Documents:

To obtain your CDL you must provide:

- 1 Primary Identification (ex: birth certificate or passport)
- 1 Social Security (ex: original Social Security Card, W2 or 1099 form)
- 2 Proofs of Address (ex: lease agreement, electricity or water bill, pay stub dated within 60 days)

Note: There may be instances when additional documents will be required



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For detailed information regarding needed documents, or visit

**LeeTC.com/
commercial-driver-license**

CDL Facts:

- Issuance of a Florida driver license or ID card cancels any previous out of state license or ID
- Basic vision acuity testing required for each original or renewal driver license issuance
- All original or renewal CDL issuances are subject to Real ID requirements
- Applicants with CDL issued after 2/7/22 must complete entry level driver training with a provider

Locate a training provider: <https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov>



Commercial Driver License Self Certification Categories

1 Category A - Non-excepted Interstate

Driver operates or expects to operate in interstate commerce and is required to maintain federal medical certification. **(Medical Examiner's Certificate Required)**

Interstate commerce means driving a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) transporting goods or passengers across state borders or driving a CMV for any portion of a direct shipment into or out of the state, even though that driver may not personally drive across a border. All CDL drivers may self-certify in Category A as long as they maintain a valid certificate and are not restricted to intrastate operation as described under Category C below. Drivers presently operating in interstate commerce and not exempt from federal medical certification (Category B) must self-certify in category A.

2 Category B - Excepted Interstate

Driver operates or expects to operate in interstate commerce but engages exclusively in operations that qualify driver for exception from the requirement to maintain federal Medical Examiner's Certificate. Drivers may self-certify in this category if they operate CMVs in interstate commerce, but only in the following circumstances:

- Driving for a federal, state, or local government agency.
- Occasional transportation of personal property by individuals neither for compensation nor in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise.
- Transport of medical patients or human corpses.
- Emergency operations.
- Custom harvesting.
- Beekeeping.

Drivers self-certifying in Category B will not be required to present valid medical certification to be issued or to retain their CDLs.

3 Category C - Non-excepted Intrastate

Driver operates or expects to operate only in intrastate commerce and is required to meet State of Florida medical certification requirements. (Medical Examiner's Certificate required).

Intrastate commerce means driving a CMV transporting goods or passengers without crossing a state border and not for any portion of a direct shipment into or out of the state. Drivers may self-certify in this category if they operate CMVs only in intrastate commerce. Drivers operating only in intrastate commerce are advised to consider self-certifying in the non-excepted interstate category (Category A) if eligible. Florida law requires most drivers operating in intrastate commerce, including most school bus drivers, to maintain certificate that also meets federal requirements for interstate commerce. Drivers operating only in intrastate commerce and not eligible to self-certify in Category A include drivers under 21 years of age and drivers with certain medical conditions who do not have a federally issued medical variance.

4 Category D - Excepted Intrastate

Driver operates or expect to operate only in intrastate commerce but engages exclusively in operations that qualify for exception from State of Florida Medical Examiner's Certificate requirements. Drivers may self-certify in this category if they operate CMVs only in intrastate commerce and only in the following circumstances:

- Transporting agricultural or forestry products between the farm or place of harvest and a market or first place of storage.
- Driving CMV's owned by electric or telephone utilities within 200 miles of where the vehicle is based.
- Operating private school busses with seating for fewer than 24 passengers.
- Operating as a driver/salesman within 100 miles of your workplace when CMV operation is incidental to your job and on the condition, you have had no traffic conviction in the past three (3) years.

Drivers self-certifying in Category D will not be required to present valid certificate to be issued or to retain their CDLs.

Start the process to obtain your Commercial Driver Licenses today! Visit [LeeTC.com](https://www.leeTC.com)