

COMMERCIAL DRIVERS SELF-CERTIFICATION

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New Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations went into effect on January 30, 2012, that require commercial driver's license holders to complete a self-certification form (PS33203), attesting to the type of commerce they are engaged in and whether or not they are subject to federal or state medical requirements.

Reference: Minnesota Statutes, sections 171.162, 221.031, and 221.0314, and 49 CFR 383.71 and 383.73

Who is affected?

- Anyone applying for a commercial driver's license (CDL), class A, B, or C.
- Anyone renewing a CDL.
- Anyone applying for a higher class CDL or adding an endorsement to a CDL.
- Any CDL holder whose medical examiner's certificate and/or waiver will soon expire or has expired.

Who is *not* affected?

These regulations *do not* apply to drivers that do not hold a commercial driver's license (CDL) and do not intend to apply for a CDL.



INTERSTATE OR INTRASTATE?

Check all that apply:

I transport cargo from one state to another state.
I transport cargo from the United States to a foreign country (for example, to Canada or Mexico).
I transport cargo from one point in a state to another in the same state, but during the trip, I cross into another state or foreign country.
Example: A driver delivers cargo from the Twin Cities to Angle Inlet in Northern Minnesota. To do so, the driver must travel through Canada to reach Angle Inlet.
I transport cargo within a single state, but the cargo begins or ends its trip in another state or foreign country.

Example 1: A driver transports cargo that was flown into the Twin Cities from Florida. The driver will deliver the cargo to a business in Bemidji. Even though the driver never leaves Minnesota, the cargo began its journey in Florida. That is interstate commerce.

Example 2: A driver picks up cargo in Roseville and delivers it to Duluth where it will be placed on a ship for delivery to Holland Harbor, Michigan. Although the driver is only operating in Minnesota, the cargo will end its journey in another state. That is interstate commerce.

If you *checked* any of the boxes above, you are engaged in *interstate* commerce. If you *did not* check any of the boxes and you only operate a commercial vehicle in one state, then you are probably engaged in *intrastate* commerce.

EXEMPT OR NON-EXEMPT?

Check all that apply:

I operate a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) as a federal, state or local government employee.
I operate a CMV to transport human corpses or sick or injured persons.
I operate a fire truck or rescue vehicle while involved in emergency and related operations.
I operate a CMV primarily to transport propane winter heating fuel when responding to an emergency condition requiring immediate response such as damage to a propane gas system after a storm or flooding.
I operate a CMV in response to a pipeline emergency such as a leak or rupture.
I operate a CMV for custom harvesting on a farm or to transport farm machinery and supplies used in the custom harvesting operation to and from a farm or within 150 miles of the farm. (This does not apply to the transport of hazardous materials requiring a placard or to combination vehicles.)
I am a beekeeper and operate a CMV for the seasonal transportation of bees.
I operate a CMV as a private motor carrier of passengers for non-business purposes.
I operate a CMV to transport migrant workers.

If you checked any of the boxes above, you are exempt and do not need a medical examiner's certificate.

Note: If you operate in both exempt and non-exempt commerce, you must obtain a medical examiner's certificate to be qualified to operate in both categories.

KEEP YOUR INFORMATION CURRENT

It is important that you keep your information current to prevent the loss of your commercial driving privilege and to avoid possible action by law enforcement officers.

Submit a new self-certification form (PS33203):

- Anytime the type of commerce you are engaged in changes (interstate/intrastate).
- Anytime your medical status changes (exempt/non-exempt).
- Whenever your medical examiner's certificate expires if you are required to have one. You will be required to present a current certificate.
- Whenever a medical waiver expires, if you are required to have one. You will be required to present a current waiver.

Submitting Self-Certification Form

Submit forms at:

- Any driver's license exam station
- Any driver's license application office

If you do not need to apply for a new driver's license, you may submit the form:

- By fax: (651) 297-4447
- By mail: Driver and Vehicle Services
 445 Minnesota Street, Ste. 180
 Saint Paul, MN 55101-5180

Ouestions? Contact DVS:

Office Locations: (651) 297-2005
CDL Information: (651) 297-5029
TTY/TDD: (651) 282-6555
Web: dvs.dps.mn.gov