



# Texas Commercial Driver License Self-Certification Affidavit



Federal Regulations along with the State of Texas Administrative Rules require a commercial driver to certify in one of the 4 categories listed below to determine if a medical certificate is required. If you select category one (1) or three (3), you must present a valid medical certificate.

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>	<b>Maiden Name</b>
<b>Driver License Number</b>	<b>Birth Date</b>	<b>Social Security Number</b>	

I certify my commercial transportation is:

- Category 1. Non-excepted Interstate. I operate or expect to operate in interstate commerce, am both subject to and meet the qualification requirements under 49 CFR part 391, and am required to obtain a medical examiner's certificate by § 391.45. *(CDL-4, CDL-10 box 7, medical certificate is required)*
  
- Category 2. Excepted Interstate. I operate or expect to operate in interstate commerce, but engage exclusively in transportation or operations excepted under 49 CFR 390.3(f), 391.2, 391.68 or 398.3 from all or parts of the qualification requirements of 49 CFR part 391. *(CDL-10)*
  
- Category 3. Non-Excepted Intrastate. I operate or expect to operate in intrastate commerce, and am subject to the physical qualifications of 49 CFR Part 391. *(CDL-5 part b, medical certificate is required)*
  
- Category 4. Excepted Intrastate. I operate or expect to operate in intrastate commerce, and engage exclusively in transportation or operations that exempt me from meeting the medical standards of 49 CFR Part 391. *(CDL-5 part a)*

**I certify that I have read, understand and meet the above checked categories for a commercial driver license.**

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please email, fax, or mail the medical certificate (if applicable) and the Self-Certification affidavit to:

**Email (pdf format only):** [CDLMedCert@dps.texas.gov](mailto:CDLMedCert@dps.texas.gov)  
**Fax:** 512-424-2002  
**Mail:** Texas Department of Public Safety  
 Enforcement & Compliance Service  
 Attention: CDL Section  
 P.O. Box 4087  
 Austin, Texas 78773

**General Information**  
**A Guide for Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Holders**  
**New Medical Certification Requirements**

All CDL holders must provide a Self-Certification affidavit (CDL-7) no later than January 30, 2014 to the Department identifying the type of commercial motor vehicle operation in which they plan to operate. CDL holders operating in non-excepted interstate and non-excepted intrastate will be required to submit a current medical examiner's certificate and any variance they may have to the Department. Drivers who are required have a medical examiners certificate and fail to maintain a current medical certificate with the Department may lose their CDL.

**1) What is changing?** Texas will now collect your medical certificate information at the time of your commercial driver license transaction.

**2) What is not changing?** The driver physical qualification requirements will not change.

**3) When does this change start?** This change begins 5 March 2012.

**4) What are CDL holders required to do?**

1. You must determine the type of commerce in which you operate and self-certify to one of the following four categories (see list below).

- **Interstate non-excepted:** You are an Interstate non-excepted driver and must meet the Federal DOT medical card requirements (e.g. – you are “not excepted”).
- **Interstate excepted:** You are an Interstate excepted driver and do not have to meet the Federal DOT medical card requirements.
- **Intrastate non-excepted:** You are an Intrastate non-excepted driver and are required to meet the DOT medical requirements.
- **Intrastate excepted:** You are an Intrastate excepted driver and do not have to meet the DOT medical requirements.

2. If you are subject to the Department of Transportation (DOT) medical card requirements, provide a copy of each new DOT medical card to the Department prior to the expiration of the current DOT medical card.

**5) How do you determine the type of commerce in which you plan to operate?** Read the FAQ's for DOT medical certificate requirements located at [www.txdps.state.tx.us/driverlicense](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/driverlicense).

**6) How can you comply with the new requirements?** If you are applying for a new commercial driver license, or plan on renewing or obtaining a replacement before January 30, 2014, be sure to bring your DOT medical card if you have one, when you come to your local driver license office.

If you are a current commercial driver license holder and do not need to renew or obtain a replacement before January 30, 2014, print and complete a copy of the self-certification form (CDL-7) located on our website, and mail, fax, or email the self-certification form to the contact information below. If you are required to maintain a DOT medical certificate, be sure to send a copy of that and any variance you may have along with the Self-Certification affidavit.

**7) What if you have renewed your DOT medical certificate since the last time you sent one in to the Department?** To prevent your commercial driver license from being downgraded, you will need to send a copy of the new DOT medical certificate to the Department within 15 days of the DOT medical certificate issuance date.

**8) How to submit your medical certificates?**

Self-Certification affidavits (CDL-7) and DOT medical certificate information can be submitted to the Department through one of the following:

**Mail:** Texas Department of Public Safety  
Enforcement & Compliance Service  
Attention: CDL Section  
PO Box 4087  
Austin, Texas 78773

**Fax:** 512-424-2002/Attention: CDL Section

**Email:** [CDLMedCert@dps.texas.gov](mailto:CDLMedCert@dps.texas.gov) (Must be in pdf format)