



# Commercial Driver License Information



## COMMERCIAL LEARNER PERMIT (CLP)

All commercial license applicants must meet the following requirements and take the appropriate knowledge tests to receive a permit.

- **Minimum Age**  
You must be at least 21 years of age to operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce and 25 years of age to drive an over-length combination vehicle (70 feet). Applicants between 18 to 20 years of age may be granted a CDL for intrastate commerce only and cannot transport passengers for hire or hazardous materials requiring placards.
- **Medical Examination Card (if required)**  
You must certify the type of driving you do. If you are “non-excepted,” you must present a Medical Examination Card completed by a Certified Medical Examiner. See the license application or [www.dmvnv.com/certify](http://www.dmvnv.com/certify) for details.
- **Driving Record**  
When you apply for your CLP, you will be asked to **certify** that you don’t have a driver’s license from more than one state, **provide** a list of states in which you have held a driver’s license during the previous 10 years, and **certify** that your driver’s license is not currently suspended, revoked or cancelled in any state nor subject to any of these actions. The DMV will perform a national-level check of your driver history.
- **Proof of Identity**
  - **Additional Proof of Identity**  
If you were born in the United States, you must present your certified birth certificate or abstract or a U.S. passport. If you were born outside the United States, you will need a valid, unexpired foreign passport (including an I-94 stamp), a Permanent Resident card, or a Certificate of Naturalization. Documents must be originals. A legal name change must be documented by presenting a marriage certificate, divorce decree, adoption records, or court order. A complete list of acceptable documents is available at [www.dmvnv.com](http://www.dmvnv.com).
  - **Proof of Your Social Security Number**  
Social Security card, W-2, 1099, payroll stub with the number listed
  - **Proof of residency**  
Two forms of residency are required to be issued a CDL or CLP. Documents must show your name and Nevada residential address. A complete list of acceptable documents is available at [www.dmvnv.com](http://www.dmvnv.com).
  - **Your Current, State-Issued License**

## LICENSE CLASSES AND TESTS

All applicants for a commercial learner permit must take a vision test and the basic CDL knowledge test for the class of vehicle they wish to drive. There are additional tests for specific endorsements and vehicles equipped with air brakes.

| CLASS A  | CLASS B  | CLASS C   |
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| Combination Vehicles over 26,000 lbs.<br>Trailers over 10,000 lbs. | Buses, Trucks over 26,000 lbs.<br>Trailers under 10,001 lbs. | Under 26,001 lbs.<br>Trailers under 10,001 lbs. |

## ENDORSEMENTS

T – Double/Triple Trailers | P – Passengers | S – School Bus | N – Tanker Vehicle | H – Hazardous Materials | X – Hazmat Tanker

**Hazmat Endorsement:** You must possess a CDL, have valid identification and pass a fingerprint-based background check. You may not take the Hazmat knowledge test until the background check is completed. Proof of a background check will be required.

**Class C CDL:** This is needed only for a vehicle designed to transport 16 or more passengers including the driver or any size vehicle that requires a placard for hazardous materials. Weights are based on the manufacturer’s Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).

## CLP CONDITIONS

- All CLP applicants must hold a valid license
- A CLP is valid for 180 days from issuance
- All CDL tests are required for every other renewal
- A CLP must be held before a CDL can be issued
- A CLP must be held for 14 days prior to skills testing
- Third Party skills tests must be scheduled at least 4 days prior to testing

## CDL OFFICE LOCATIONS

All offices are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Las Vegas Area</b> | 4110 Donovan Way, North Las Vegas | <b>Reno/Sparks</b> | 810 E. Greg Street, Sparks |
| <b>Carson City</b>    | 555 Wright Way                    | <b>Elko</b>        | 3920 E. Idaho Street       |
| <b>Winnemucca</b>     | 3505 Construction Way             |                    |                            |

## CONTACT US

- Telephone** – Las Vegas Area (702) 486-4368 | Reno Area (775) 684-4368 | Rural - (877) 368-7828 | TDD - (775) 684-4904  
**Internet** – [www.dmvnv.com](http://www.dmvnv.com) – Manuals, Forms, Fees, Driver Histories and more