

Colorado VETS-2-TRUCKS Program

IF YOU:

Are currently serving, close to military discharge or were discharged within the last 90 days, and have experience driving heavy military trucks with a safe driving record for at least the last 2 years,

You may qualify for a Colorado Commercial Driver License (CDL) without having to take the commercial driver skills test.

(Written test is still required.)

Benefits:

Save \$\$\$

- No \$200-\$400 cost of test
- No \$150-\$250 test vehicle rental
- No \$14 Learner's Permit

Save time

- No need to schedule testing appointment
- Quicker entry into workforce

Process:

1. Complete, sign and date the front page of the application for Military CDL Skills Test Waiver.
2. Have your Commanding Officer complete, sign and date the back.
3. Complete, sign and date the Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles CDL Unit 10-Year License Certification.
4. Submit the completed forms to the Colorado DMV CDL Unit either by fax to 303-205-5754 or by mail to:

Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles
CDL Unit Room 154
1881 Pierce St.
Lakewood, CO 80214

DMV will notify you by return mail regarding the results of your application for waiver.

5. If you have not already done so, arrange for a Department of Transportation Medical Examination through your physician or health care facility, and get your DOT Medical Card.
6. If you have not already passed the written test, study the Colorado CDL Manual for General Knowledge, Combination if you want a Class A CDL and Air Brakes (if applicable).
7. Once you've qualified for the waiver, you may go to any full-service Driver License office, take and pass the applicable written tests, provide your DOT medical card and purchase your full privilege CDL. (Rules for proof of identity, name, age and lawful presence and residential address still apply.)

For more information, please go to Colorado.gov/Revenue
Click on DMV, then Commercial Trucks (top of page).

The DMV developed the Colorado Vets-2-Trucks program in support of Governor John Hickenlooper's initiative to "Hire a Colorado Vet", which is offered through the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE).

Application for Military CDL Skills Test Waiver

Applicant Information				
If your military duties required you to operate a military motor vehicle that is the equivalent of a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) for at least two years immediately preceding your discharge from the military, you may apply for a Commercial Driver License (CDL) skills test waiver. You will still be required to pass any CDL knowledge (written) tests. This waiver is available only for the equivalent class of vehicle and only if you either are currently active military or were active within 90 days of this date. Skills testing for passenger vehicles cannot be waived.				
Name	DOB	Sex	State/Driver License Number	Application Date
Residence Address		City	State	Zip
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Driver Record Certification				
Do you currently hold a valid operator's license issued by any state?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If you answered NO you cannot continue with the waiver process</i>				
During the 2-year period immediately preceding today's date:				
1. Have you been licensed by more than one state at the same time?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If you answered YES, you do not qualify</i>				
2. Has your driving privilege been suspended, revoked, canceled, denied or disqualified by any state?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If you answered YES, you do not qualify</i>				
3. Have you been convicted of any of the following? <i>If the answer is YES to any of these, you do not qualify for the waiver.</i>				
(a) Operating any motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol as prescribed by state law			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(b) Operating any motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(c) Having an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater while operating a CMV			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(d) Refusing to take an alcohol test as required by a State jurisdiction under its implied consent law			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(e) Leaving the scene of an accident			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(f) Using any motor vehicle to commit a felony			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(g) Operating any motor vehicle while your license was revoked, suspended, canceled or denied or disqualified			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(h) Causing a fatality through the negligent operation of a motor vehicle (including motor vehicle manslaughter, homicide by motor vehicle, negligent homicide, careless driving resulting in death)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
4. How many times have you been convicted of the following? (use zeros as appropriate)				
(a) Speeding in excess of 15 mph or more above the posted speed limit in any motor vehicle				
(b) Driving recklessly in any motor vehicle, as defined by State or local law or regulation				
(c) Making improper or erratic lane changes in any motor vehicle				
(d) Following the vehicle ahead too closely in any motor vehicle				
(e) Violating State or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control arising in connection with a fatal accident in any motor vehicle				
(f) Driving a CMV without obtaining a CDL				
(g) Driving a CMV without a CDL in the driver's possession				
(h) Driving a CMV without the proper class of CDL and/or endorsements				
(i) Violating a State or local law or ordinance on M.V. traffic control prohibiting texting while driving any motor vehicle...				
(j) Violating a State or local law or ordinance on motor vehicle traffic control restricting or prohibiting the use of a hand held mobile telephone while driving any motor vehicle				
(k) Total Convictions (If the answer is 2 or more , you do not qualify for the waiver)				
5. Have you been convicted of any military, State or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control in which you were also involved with a traffic accident, or is there a record of any M.V. accident in which you were deemed to be at fault?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If the answer is YES, you do not qualify for the waiver.</i>				
Certification of Driving Experience				
Are you currently or have you within the last 90 days been regularly employed in a military position requiring the operation of a military motor vehicle that is the equivalent of a CMV?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Were you exempted from 49 CFR 383.3(c)? (You would have been exempt if you drove a military CMV on state roads and highways while on active duty in the military)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
I have operated a vehicle representative of the CDL classifications I am applying for during the last two years of my current active service, OR; had two years' experience immediately preceding my recent military discharge.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If you answered NO to any one of these three questions you cannot continue with the waiver process</i>				
I certify under penalty of perjury that the information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that if there is false information on this application my CDL privileges may be canceled (49 CFR 383.73).				
Applicant's Signature			Date	

Commercial Driving Experience Certification

(To be completed by the applicant's current or final Commanding Officer, Officer in Charge or Provost Marshal)

Commanding Officer Name (Last, First, Middle)	Rank	Military Branch	Telephone Number
Street Address		Name of Base	
City		State	Zip
Mailing Address (Address, City, State, Zip)			



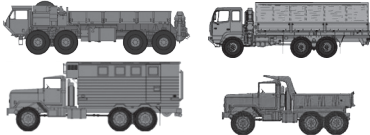
Applicant's Information

Applicant's Name

Is currently serving or did serve within the last 90 days in a military position requiring operation of a CMV equivalent Yes No Discharge Date:

For at least 2 years immediately preceding discharge from the military, operated a CMV equivalent representative of the class of CMV the driver applicant expects to operate with the CDL Yes No Service Date From: Service Date To:

Circle the highest class of vehicle that the applicant has been continuously driving

Class	Vehicle Description	Examples of Vehicles in the Group
A	5th Wheel-Truck Tractor/Semi Trailer Any combination of vehicles with a GCWR of 26,001 or more pounds provided the GVWR of the vehicle(s) being towed is in excess of 10,000 pounds	
A	Pintle Hook - Truck Trailer Combination Any combination of vehicles with a GCWR of 26,001 or more pounds provided the GVWR of the vehicle(s) being towed is in excess of 10,000 pounds.	
B	Any single vehicle with a GVWR of 26,001 or more pounds or any such vehicle towing a vehicle not in excess of 10,000 pounds GVWR.	

Vehicle equipped with a full air brake system Yes No

Vehicle equipped with an air-over-hydraulic braking system Yes No

Vehicle transmission Automatic Manual

I certify that I am an officer in the United States Armed Forces and that I am currently or was the applicant's final Commanding Officer, Officer in Charge or Provost Marshal. I also certify that the applicant's duties in the military required the operation of the vehicle as described above for at least two years prior to applicant's discharge from the military. Uniform of Article 136, Uniform Code of Military Justice or 10 U.S.C. 1044A

Print Name / Rank

Signature Date

Office Use Only

Application Approved

Application Dis-Approved Reason for Dis-Approval:

Signature of Reviewer Date

COLORADO DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES CDL UNIT 10 YEAR LICENSE CERTIFICATION

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act (MCSIA) of 1999 (49CFR384.206) requires any individual who is applying for, renewing or transferring a Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) to provide to the licensing jurisdiction, a list of all states in which they have been issued any type of license in the past 10 years. The regulation also requires that the licensing jurisdiction obtain the driving history from those states listed.

In accordance with this MCSIA regulation, please fill out the form below.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Date					
Last Name			First Name	Middle Name	Suffix
BIRTH DATE			IF CURRENTLY LICENSED, PROVIDE STATE AND LICENSE NUMBER		
Month	Day	Year	State	License Number	
LIST ALL STATES AND CORRESPONDING DRIVER’S LICENSE NUMBERS (IF AVAILABLE) WHERE YOU HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY LICENSED WITHIN THE PAST 10 YEARS					
State	License Number		State	License Number	
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I DO CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT.					
Applicant Signature				Date	