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## Notification of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulation Changes in Regards to Commercial Driver Licenses and Commercial Learner's Permits

In order for Delaware to stay in compliance with the new Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) regulations that are effective July 8, 2015, an array of changes will occur. These changes will significantly impact the appearance as well as the restrictions and endorsements contained on the Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) or Commercial Driver's License (CDL). The CLP will no longer be in paper format, it will be a hard card with a gray banner. As of July 8, 2015, the only paper CLP that will be issued is the 90 day temporary hazmat. However, all of the CLPs and CDLs that are issued prior to July 8<sup>th</sup> will still be valid.

There are additional restriction and endorsement codes that will be added to the CDL and/or CLP. A few of the major restriction changes include the addition of the M, N, O, P, X, and Z restrictions. When carrying passengers, the CLP and CDL will clearly specify which vehicle type the applicant is restricted from operating, with the inclusion of the M and N restrictions. In addition, the CLP will state that passengers are not allowed in the commercial motor vehicle (CMV) when operating under a CLP. The following restrictions will be available on a CDL and CLP:

### CDL LICENSE RESTRICTION CODES

Code	Title
E	No Manual Transmission <i>equipped CMV</i>
K	CDL Intrastate Only
L	No Air Brake <i>equipped CMV</i>
M	No Class A passenger vehicle
N	No Class A and B passenger vehicle
O	No Tractor-Trailer <i>CMV-</i> <i>(Trailer with non-5<sup>th</sup> wheel - pintle hook/sliding hook)</i>
V	Medical Variance
Z	No Full air brake equipped CMV

### CLP PERMIT RESTRICTION CODES

Code	Title
K	CDL Intrastate Only
L	No Air Brake <i>equipped CMV</i>
M	No Class A passenger vehicle
N	No Class A and B passenger vehicle
P	No passengers in CMV bus
V	Medical Variance
X	No cargo in CMV tank vehicl

The Division will begin issuing school bus endorsements on the CLP, which must be accompanied by a P restriction. The following endorsements will be available on a CDL and CLP:

**CDL LICENSE ENDORSEMENT CODES**

**CLP PERMIT ENDORSEMENT CODES**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>T</b>	Doubles/Triples	<b>P</b>	Passenger
<b>P</b>	Passenger		

A CLP/CDL holder who is not a U.S. Citizen or a Lawful Permanent Resident of the U.S., but resides in the country legally, will be required to have the verbiage “NON-DOMICILED” on the face of the CLP or CDL. This will affect every applicant who bears a temporary foreign national status. For example, if the applicant provides an employment authorization card as proof of legal presence.

Commercial learner’s permit holders will be held to the same standards as commercial driver license holders. This includes disqualifications, convictions, and medical requirements. All applicants will have to provide a valid medical certificate and/or self-certify, which has been a requirement for all CDL holders, prior to receiving a CLP.

In order to be in alignment with FMCSA regulations, Delaware will implement a change in the scoring process for the final position for each of the skills maneuvers. Federal regulations now require the Division to convert from a one point deduction to a ten point deduction. The final position is calculated for straight-line backing, offset back-left, offset back-right, sight side parallel park, conventional parallel park, and the alley dock maneuver.

You can get a detailed description of FMCSA’s regulations at <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/>. You may also view 21 Del. C. Chapter 26, the “Uniform Commercial Driver License Act”, or our website at <http://dmv.de.gov/> for further explanation. If you have additional questions regarding these changes, feel free to contact us at 302-744-2650.

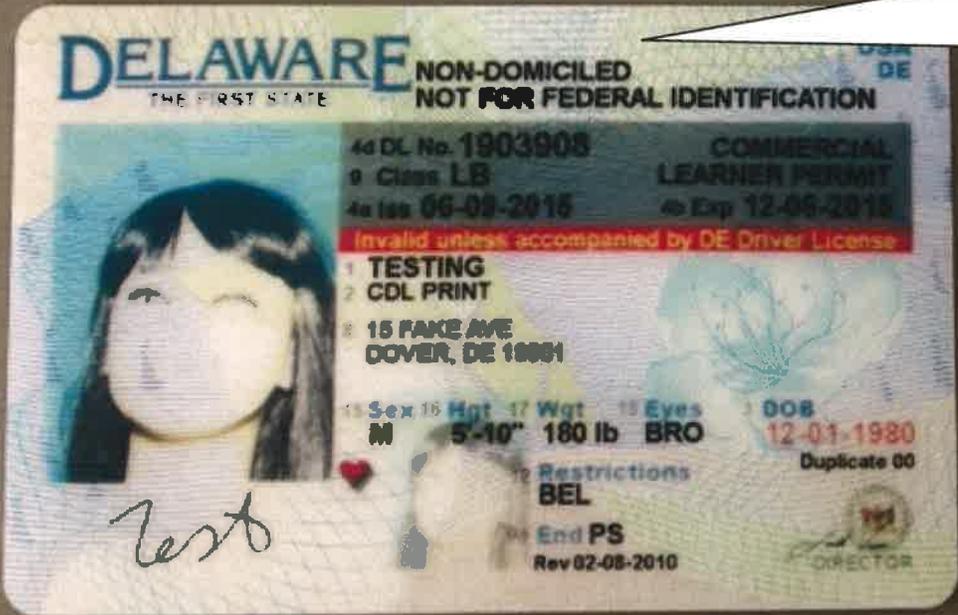
Commercial Driver License Department

Enclosed: copy of CLP





The verbiage "Invalid unless accompanied by DE Driver License" will be displayed with a red banner and yellow print



The verbiage "NON-DOMICILED" will be displayed on the top of the document