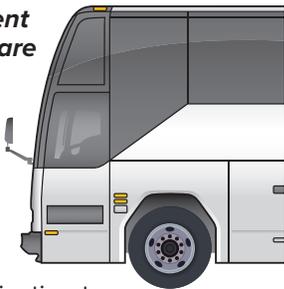


- Overall Medical Certification Status (Certified, Not Certified, Not Required)
- Self-Certification Driving Type on file with DMV (NA, NI, EA, EI)
- Expiration date of Medical Certificate on file with DMV

MyDMV is a free service offered by DMV. For additional information and to enroll please visit: <https://my.dmv.ny.gov/crm/>

### I RECEIVED A NOTIFICATION OF LICENSE DOWNGRADE – DOES THIS MEAN I CAN'T DRIVE?

*If you don't have a current Medical Certificate you are not permitted to drive commercially.*



If you do have a current Medical Certificate and you have sent a copy to DMV, your Medical Certificate can be used as proof of medical certification to roadside enforcement for up to 15 days from the issue date of the Medical Certificate.

### WHAT IF MY LICENSE HAS BEEN DOWNGRADED?

Once a downgrade occurs, a driver must go into a DMV office to amend their license record back to a commercial license and obtain a new license document.

The Med Cert Unit cannot amend your license back to a commercial status, even if your updated Medical Certificate is recorded after the license downgrade occurs.

Please remember, if your license is downgraded:

- The CDL in your possession is no longer valid.
- Your license record will be changed to a Non-CDL license.
- A new Non-CDL license is not mailed to you – *if you no longer want your CDL you may request a regular driver license replace-*

*ment online at:* <https://transact.dmv.ny.gov/PhotoDocDuplicate/>

- Amendment back to a CDL must be done in person at a DMV office, and an amendment fee will apply.

### HOW CAN MY CURRENT EMPLOYER OR PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER GET MY MEDICAL CERTIFICATION INFORMATION?

Current or prospective employers (an employer you have submitted an application for employment to) are entitled to apply and receive a CDL Abstract (also known as Motor Vehicle Record/ MVR) containing your medical certification information through DMV's License Event Notification Service (LENS).

### VALUABLE WEBSITES AT A GLANCE

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles: <http://dmv.ny.gov/>

DMV License Event Notification Service (LENS) Info and Enrollment: <http://dmv.ny.gov/dmv-records/>

[License-event-notification-service-lens-accounts](http://dmv.ny.gov/dmv-records/)

Medical Certification Information: <http://www.dmv.ny.gov/cdl-medcert.htm>

Enroll in MyDMV: <https://my.dmv.ny.gov/crm/>

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA): <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/>

National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners: <https://nationalregistry.fmcsa.dot.gov/NRPublicUI/home.seam>

Request a Duplicate NYS License Document: <https://transact.dmv.ny.gov/PhotoDocDuplicate/>



# FEDERAL MEDICAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL DRIVERS



## WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

### Self-Certification Requirements

Federal regulations require all New York State Commercial Drivers (CDL and Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) Class A, B or C), to certify to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) the type of commercial motor vehicle operation they perform, each time they complete a license transaction (not including change of address or requests for a duplicate license document). Drivers must choose one of four federal driving types.

The four Federal driving types are:

**Non-Excepted Interstate – NI**  
Medical Certificate Required

**Non-Excepted Intrastate – NA**  
Medical Certificate Required

**Excepted Interstate – EI**  
Medical Certificate Not Required

**Excepted Intrastate – EA**  
Medical Certificate Not Required

*For an explanation of the four federally defined driving types please visit: <http://www.dmv.ny.gov/cdl-medcert.htm>*

### Medical Certification Requirements

If the type of driving you perform requires a USDOT Medical Examiner's Certificate (Medical Certificate), you are required to submit a Medical Certificate to the DMV along with the self-certification.

*CDL drivers must keep an updated (valid, unexpired) copy of their Medical Certificate on file with DMV at all times.*

## WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES AS A CDL/CLP DRIVER?

- NI/NA Drivers: To avoid the loss of your commercial driving privilege, an updated copy of your Medical Certificate must be received and processed to your license record by the DMV Medical Certification Unit prior to the expiration of the Medical Certificate you have on file with DMV.

**Note:** DMV does not remind drivers when their Medical Examiner's Certificate is about to expire.

*You should allow at least 20 days for DMV to receive and process your updated certificate.*

- If the type of driving you perform changes you must visit a DMV office and change the driving type on your license file, to ensure your license record matches the type of driving you perform.

## HOW DO I UPDATE MY MEDICAL CERTIFICATE WITH DMV?

There are three ways drivers can submit updated copies of their Medical Certificate to the DMV: \*\*

- Fax: (518) 486-4421 or (518) 486-3260.
- Email: [dmv.sm.CDLMedCertUnit@dmv.ny.gov](mailto:dmv.sm.CDLMedCertUnit@dmv.ny.gov)
- Mail: NYS Department of Motor Vehicles  
Medical Certification Unit  
PO Box 2601  
Albany, NY 12220-0601

**\*\*When submitting your Medical Certificate using any of the methods above, please be sure to include your contact information (phone number and/or email address) with your document.**

DMV Offices will accept Medical Certificates for new CLP/CDL transactions (except duplicates) only when:

- No Medical Certificate is on file;
- The Medical Certificate on file is expired; or
- The Medical Certificate on file will expire within the next 60 days.

## AM I REQUIRED TO VISIT A SPECIAL DOCTOR TO OBTAIN A US DOT MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATE?

Yes. Medical Certificates issued on or after May 21, 2014 must be issued by a doctor listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners, and must contain the doctor's National Registry ID number.

For additional information about the National Registry or to find a certified doctor in your area please visit the Federal website at:

<https://nationalregistry.fmcsa.dot.gov/NRPublicUI/home.seam>

### Before you leave your doctor's office:

- Make sure your doctor provides you with your Medical Certificate so you can send a copy to DMV. Doctors are not sending the information to DMV at this time.
- Make sure your Medical Certificate is completely filled out, signed by you and your doctor, the issue and expiration dates are valid (cannot be issued for more than 2 years), and all information is clear and legible.

## WHY WAS MY MEDICAL CERTIFICATE RETURNED TO ME WITH A LETTER?

- DMV will reject any Medical Certificates issued on or after May 21, 2014 that were not issued by a doctor on the National Federal Medical Registry, and do not contain the Doctor's National Registry ID number.
- DMV will also reject any Medical Examiner's Certificates that are incomplete, issued for a time period greater than two years, or are illegible.

*A rejected Medical Certificate will cause a delay in updating your license record and may result in a commercial license downgrade.*



## HOW CAN I TELL IF DMV RECEIVED MY UPDATED CERTIFICATE?

Drivers who enroll in MyDMV can verify the following Self-Certification and Medical Certification information: