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CDL Driving Skills Road Test

The Driver License Office does not administer the Driving Skills Road Test for Commercial Driver Licenses (CDL).

For more information and to schedule an appointment to take the required tests, please visit the Statewide Contracted Commercial Motor Vehicle Skill Test Sites website:

<https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-licenses-id-cards/commercial-motor-vehicle-drivers/third-party-skill-test-sites/>

The required Driving Skills Road Test includes **Pre-Trip, Basic Control Skill** (Maneuvers) and **Driving Skill** tests in a commercial motor vehicle as well as any tests needed to add or remove endorsements/restrictions on your driver license record (see below). This applies to first-time CDL applicants and anyone who is upgrading to a higher CDL class. Our office does not process Hazmat applications. The Hardee County Tax Collector's Office handles Hazmat endorsements. Please contact that office at 863.773.9144 to determine the requirements and documents needed to complete your transaction.

IMPORTANT! Before taking skills testing or removing the Air Brakes restriction, **you are required to obtain a temporary operational permit and hold it for 14 business days before** you are permitted to complete any skills testing. In order to obtain the permit, you must pass all required written exams for the applicable class and any endorsements. You must also self-certify your driving status and provide a current medical certification card, if required by your selected status. Please visit <http://www.flhsmv.gov/ddl/cdlmedicalcert.html> for more information.

Driving Skills Road Tests are required for every commercial license class as follows. (You must be prepared to take the test in the appropriate type of vehicle.)

■ Class A	■ Class B	■ Class C
Combination vehicle 26,001 lbs GVWR or more towing a trailer 10,000 lbs GVWR or more	Single vehicle 26,001 lbs GVWR or more	Single vehicle 26,000 lbs GVWR or less that requires a Passenger or Hazmat Endorsement

Pre-Trip, Basic Control Skill (Maneuvers), and the Driving Skills Road Test are required for first-time CDL issuances, upgrades, and when adding or removing endorsements/restrictions.

For more information, consult the CDL Driver handbook by visiting <http://www.flhsmv.gov/resources/>.

- A Driving Skills Road Test is required for the following endorsements. If interested in adding one or both of these endorsements, you must be prepared to take the test in the appropriate type of vehicle.
 - **Passenger (P)** - written exam must have already been completed and passed
 - **School Bus (S)** - written exam must have already been completed and passed

- If you take the Driving Skills Road Test in a commercial vehicle **not equipped with air brakes** or that is **not a tractor trailer**, one or both of the following restrictions will be added to your license. If you do not want these restrictions added, you must be prepared to take the test in the appropriate type of vehicle.
 - **No Air Brakes (1)** - written exam is required
 - **No Tractor Trailers (5)**

- Once you have passed all driving skills testing, an appointment is required to return to our Driver License Office and apply for a CDL license. Visit taxcollector.com to schedule an appointment. Every applicant must complete a [Driver License application](#).

NOTE: The information in this document is believed to be correct and is subject to change and is not warranted.
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**** THIS TRANSACTION MAY ONLY BE PROCESSED AT THE DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE ****