

RCW 46.25.080 License contents, classifications, endorsements, restrictions.

(1) The commercial driver's license must be marked "commercial driver's license" or "CDL," and must be, to the maximum extent practicable, tamperproof. It must include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- (a) The name and residence address of the person;
- (b) The person's color photograph;
- (c) A physical description of the person including sex, height, weight, and eye color;
- (d) Date of birth;
- (e) The person's social security number or any number or identifier deemed appropriate by the department;
- (f) The person's signature;
- (g) The class or type of commercial motor vehicle or vehicles that the person is authorized to drive, together with any endorsements or restrictions;
- (h) The name of the state; and
- (i) The dates between which the license is valid.

(2) Commercial driver's licenses may be issued with the classifications, endorsements, and restrictions set forth in this subsection. The holder of a valid commercial driver's license may drive all vehicles in the class for which that license is issued and all lesser classes of vehicles except motorcycles and vehicles that require an endorsement, unless the proper endorsement appears on the license.

- (a) Licenses may be classified as follows:
 - (i) Class A is a combination vehicle.
 - (ii) Class B is a heavy straight vehicle.
 - (iii) Class C is a small vehicle that is:
 - (A) Designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver; or
 - (B) Used in the transportation of hazardous materials.
 - (b) The following endorsements may be placed on a license:
 - (i) "H" authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle transporting hazardous materials.
 - (ii) "T" authorizes driving double and triple trailers.
 - (iii) "P" authorizes driving vehicles carrying passengers, other than school buses.
 - (iv) "N" authorizes driving tank vehicles.
 - (v) "X" represents a combination of hazardous materials and tank vehicle endorsements.
 - (vi) "S" authorizes driving school buses.
 - (c) The following restrictions may be placed on a license:
 - (i) "E" restricts the driver from operating a commercial motor vehicle equipped with a manual transmission.
 - (ii) "K" restricts the driver from interstate operation of a commercial motor vehicle.
 - (iii) "L" restricts the driver from operating a commercial motor vehicle equipped with air brakes.
 - (iv) "M" restricts the driver from operating class A passenger vehicles.
 - (v) "N" restricts the driver from operating class A and B passenger vehicles.
 - (vi) "O" restricts the driver from operating tractor-trailer commercial motor vehicles.
 - (vii) "V" means that the driver has been issued a medical variance.

(viii) "Z" restricts the driver from operating a commercial motor vehicle equipped with full air brakes.

(d) The license may be issued with additional endorsements and restrictions as established by rule of the director. [2013 c 224 § 9; 2011 c 227 § 2. Prior: 2004 c 249 § 8; 2004 c 187 § 5; 1996 c 30 § 2; 1989 c 178 § 10.]

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