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New entry-level commercial driver's license regulations

The New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division is complying with new federal regulations that set baseline training requirements for new Commercial Driver's License (CDL) applicants.

The new regulations apply to first-time Class A or B CDL applicants; Class B license holders who want to upgrade to a Class A license and first-time applicants for a passenger, school bus or hazardous materials endorsement.

MVD now must check the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Training Provider Registry to ensure that applicants have completed the following federal entry-level training requirements:

- Skills test for obtaining a Class A or Class B CDL for the first time
- Skills test for all upgrades
- Skills test for obtaining a passenger (P) or school bus (S) endorsement for the first time
- Knowledge test for obtaining a hazardous materials (H) endorsement for the first time.

The federal regulations do have exceptions for some classes of drivers. More information about the requirements and how they affect drivers and training providers are available from the FMCSA at [Training Provider Registry \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/training-provider-registry).

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