

# FAQ

## **What is the third-party CDL regulation?**

The purpose of this regulation is to establish the policies, procedures, operational instructions, and requirements for third-party certified commercial driver license testing organizations to administer commercial driver license skills tests. The DMV will create and enforce policies and procedures for the program.

## **Why would someone choose third-party testing?**

Some individuals opt for third-party testing for convenience, faster scheduling, and potentially more flexible testing locations.

## **How do I find a third-party CDL testing provider?**

You can find a list of approved third-party testing providers on the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) website.

## **What are the eligibility requirements for third-party CDL testing?**

Please refer to Regulation 2226 for the complete list of requirements

[2226 Third-Party Commercial Driver License Skills Testing](#)

## **Is third-party testing available for all CDL endorsements?**

All third-party testing organizations may not offer testing for every Class CDL and/or endorsement. It is essential to contact the specific provider.

## **How much does third-party CDL testing cost?**

Fees are determined by the TPTO.

## **How do I schedule a CDL skills test with a third-party provider?**

Scheduling procedures vary, contact the testing organization directly for assistance.

## **What happens if I fail the CDL skills test with a third-party provider?**

Procedures for retaking the test and any associated fees are determined by the testing organization.

## **Is the third-party CDL test result recognized by all states?**

Verify with your state's licensing agency to ensure they recognize the results from Delaware's third-party testing organization.

**Are there any required items that must be submitted with the application?**

Yes, organizations must also submit the below items along with their third-party testing application.

1 - **Samples of contracts**

2 - **List of scheduled fees**

<b>Course of Instruction</b>	<b>Fee</b>
CDL Class A Skills Exam	
CDL Class B Skills Exam	
CDL Class C Skills Exam	
School Bus Skills Exam	
Passenger Skills Exam	
CDL Class Upgrades	
Remove Restrictions	
Other: please specify	

3 - **Federal and State Criminal Background Check** for all owners/skills Testers (ST)

**REQUIREMENTS**

All third-party testing organizations applying for a license are required to provide a copy of their State and Federal criminal history for all owners, partners, and skill examiners that includes all arrests and charges, including any that occurred in other states. Report must include any charges that are pending, dismissed or nolle prosequi.

Records are required to have been issued within the last 6 months.

Each criminal background check must be placed in a sealed envelope with the individual's name on the outside. **DO NOT EMAIL BACKGROUND CHECKS.**

Deliver in person to:

**Delaware DMV**

CDL Unit

303 Transportation Circle

Dover, DE 19901

OR by mail to:  
**Delaware DMV**  
CDL Unit  
P.O. Box 698  
Dover, DE 19903

Delaware criminal background checks may be obtained at <https://uenroll.identogo.com>. Use service code: **27RVGT**

Federal criminal background checks may be obtained at [Rap Sheets \(Identity History Summary Checks\) — FBI.](#)

It is the applicant's obligation to ensure their application and criminal history meet the standards set forth by the Regulation. There will be no reimbursement for any monies expended in connection with the application process if the application is denied.

#### 4 - **Surety Bond**

5 - If providing vehicles attach a list with **VIN, tag number, GVWR, and GCVWR**

6 - **Commercial general liability insurance** and **Workman's Compensation Insurance**

7 - **Business license**

8 - A **zoning authority letter** for test site with this application

9 - Proposal for a **primary and secondary test route** for the standard route and one modified skills test route consisting of the below:

#### **PRIMARY AND SECONDARY TEST ROUTE FOR STANDARD ROUTE REQUIREMENTS**

- Four left and four right turns including turns at traffic lights, stop signs, and uncontrolled intersections.
- Two sets of lane change maneuvers. Each set should include a lane change to the left and one to the right.
- A straight section of an urban business street at least two miles long that travels through at minimum two through intersections and two intersections where a stop must be made. Route should also include signalized intersections.
- One uncontrolled railroad crossing. May be simulated if none are available.
- Two curves: one to the left and one to the right.
- A section of a four-lane controlled access expressway or a rural section of a highway at least two miles in length.
- A roadside start and stop that requires the driver to pull the vehicle safely over stopping outside the normal flow of traffic.
- Two low clearance, weight restriction, or traffic signs scenarios that require the driver to observe vehicle height and/or weight restrictions.
- **SCHOOL BUS ONLY** – a lightly traveled street or road that contains a landmark to point out to the driver as the location to discharge school students. Driver must demonstrate and describe the procedure for discharging students.

## **MODIFIED ROAD TEST REQUIREMENTS**

- Two left turns
- Two right turns
- One intersection where vehicle must stop
- One through intersection
- Section of test should include driving through an urban area
- One set of lane changes
- One curve to either the left or the right
- Either expressway driving or limited access highway driving
- Either a roadside start and stop or a railroad crossing
- **TESTING FOR E, L and Z RESTRICTIONS ONLY**
  - E = no manual transmission equipped
  - L = no air brake equipped CMV
  - Z = no full air brake equipped CMV