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<p><b>Missing or Impaired Limb – (SPE or Skills Performance Evaluation)</b></p> <p>Documents: Med 13 Road skills for first issue</p>	<p>Virginia DMV has received permission to continue this program for 5 more years</p>	<p>If a driver is in all other ways qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle, the driver may submit a request for a Skills Performance Evaluation. The driver must submit to a physical evaluation to demonstrate strength, range of motion and proper fit and use of prosthesis (if applicable). With physician approval and an acceptable application, the driver will be given an opportunity to demonstrate the ability to operate a motor vehicle with road skills examiners certified by FMCSA.</p>	<p>The Commonwealth of Virginia DMV is administering Federal SPE standard waivers for all interstate and intrastate drivers. Interstate drivers receive a federal SPE certificate. Intrastate drivers receive a certificate that indicates the intrastate limitation.</p>
<p><b>Vision</b></p> <p>Documents: Med 4 with a Graphic Visual Field Analysis</p>	<p>Virginia DMV has recently evaluated this waiver and made changes that are more restrictive than the Federal Standards</p>	<p>The driver must have a visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen), corrected or uncorrected, in the better eye</p> <p>The driver must have a field of vision in each eye, including central and peripheral fields, of at least 70 degrees utilizing a testing modality which tests to at least 120 in the horizontal. Formal perimetry is required. The doctor must submit the formal perimetry for each eye and interpret the results in degrees of field of vision.</p> <p>The driver must have the ability to recognize the colors of traffic control signals and devices showing red, green, and amber.</p>	<p>The driver must have a visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen), corrected or uncorrected, in the better eye</p> <p>The driver must have a field of vision in each eye, including central and peripheral fields, of at least 70 degrees utilizing a testing modality which tests to at least 120 in the horizontal. Formal perimetry is required. The doctor must submit the formal perimetry for each eye and interpret the results in degrees of field of vision.</p> <p>The driver must have the ability to recognize the colors of traffic control signals and devices showing red, green, and amber.</p> <p>Whether sight is in one eye or both there must be a minimum horizontal field of 120 degrees. If the vision is in one eye only, there may be no other defects present.</p>

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<p><b>Insulin</b></p> <p><b>Documents for Non-excepted intrastate (NA) drivers:</b></p> <p>DOT long form (MCSA 5875), DOT Examiners Certificate (MCSA 5876) Form 5870</p> <p><b>Documents for excepted EI and EA drivers:</b></p> <p>Med 2 with BS logs Med 30 Med 4 Graphic Visual Field Analysis Driver agreement</p>		<p>As of November 19, 2018 the FMCSA will no longer require a Waiver/Variance for Drivers who take insulin to regulate Diabetes. The DOT examiner will evaluate the driver and issue a DOT card if the driver meets the physical requirements including diabetic control. A new form will be added (5870) which will be the diabetes assessment.</p>	<p><b>NA Drivers</b></p> <p>Virginia DMV will conform to the FMCSA ruling for drivers who are self-certified as Non-excepted intrastate.</p> <p>Effective November 19, 2018 when renewal of the Insulin waiver/exemption is due for drivers who are currently obtaining their waiver/variance from the Virginia DMV, drivers will submit a copy of the DOT Examiners Certificate (MCSA 5876), DOT long form (FMSA 5875) and form 5870 indicating that they have been approved by the DOT examiner.</p> <p><b>EI and EA Drivers</b></p> <p>DOT examiner approval is not required for drivers who are self-certified as Excepted. Virginia will continue to evaluate excepted drivers who come to DMVs attention, according the following criteria:</p> <p>Endocrinologist must approve CDL operation and stability of condition verified by blood sugar logs.</p> <p>The driver must have a visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen), corrected or uncorrected, in the better eye</p> <p>The driver must have a field of vision in each eye, including central and peripheral fields, of at least 70 degrees utilizing a testing modality which tests to at least 120 in the horizontal. Formal perimetry is required. The doctor must submit the formal perimetry for each eye and interpret the results in degrees of field of vision.</p> <p>The driver must have the ability to recognize the colors of traffic control signals and devices showing red, green, and amber.</p> <p>The required conditions include the following:</p> <p>I. Each individual must have a physical examination every year:</p> <p>The physical examination must first be conducted by an endocrinologist indicating the driver is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Free of insulin reactions. "Free of insulin reactions" in this context means that the individual has had:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A) No recurrent (two or more) hypoglycemic reactions resulting in a loss of consciousness or seizure within the past five years. A period of one year of demonstrated stability is required following the first episode of hypoglycemia,</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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			<p>(B) No recurrent hypoglycemic reactions requiring the assistance of another person within the past five years. A period of one year of demonstrated stability is required following the first episode of hypoglycemia, and</p> <p>(C) No recurrent hypoglycemic reactions resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning symptoms within the past five years. A period of one year of demonstrated stability is required following the first episode of hypoglycemia,</p> <p>2. Able to and has demonstrated willingness to properly monitor and manage his/her diabetes, and</p> <p>3. Will not likely suffer any diminution in driving ability due to his/her diabetic condition; and</p> <p>II. Each individual must agree to and must comply with the following conditions:</p> <p>(a) Carry a source of rapidly absorbable glucose at all times while driving;</p> <p>(b) Self-monitor blood glucose levels prior to driving and every two to four hours while driving using a portable glucose monitoring device equipped with a computerized memory;</p> <p>(c) Submit blood glucose records to the endocrinologist</p> <p>(d) Provide a copy of the endocrinologist's report to the DMV on renewal</p> <p>III. Each individual must provide a copy of the optometrist's or ophthalmologist's report indicating that there is no diabetic retinopathy and the individual meets the current vision standards as required by Virginia Code or qualify for a vision waiver. If there is any evidence of diabetic retinopathy, the individual must provide to the medical examiner or provider at the time of the annual medical examination a copy of the ophthalmologist's report indicating that the individual does not have unstable proliferative diabetic retinopathy.</p>

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<p><b>Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders</b></p> <p>Documents: Med 2 Med 30</p>		<p>On October 15, 2007, the MEP issued the following recommended criteria for evaluating whether an individual with epilepsy or a seizure disorder should be allowed to operate a CMV.</p> <p>Epilepsy diagnosis. If there is an epilepsy diagnosis, the applicant should be seizure-free for 8 years, on or off medication. If the individual is taking anti-seizure medication(s), the plan for medication should be stable for 2 years. Stable means no changes in medication, dosage, or frequency of medication administration. Recertification for drivers with an epilepsy diagnosis should be performed every year.</p> <p>Single unprovoked seizure. If there is a single unprovoked seizure (i.e., there is no known trigger for the seizure), the individual should be seizure-free for 4 years, on or off medication. If the individual is taking anti-seizure medication(s), the plan for medication should be stable for 2 years. Stable means no changes in medication, dosage, or frequency of medication administration. Recertification for drivers with a single unprovoked seizure should be performed every 2 years.</p> <p>Single provoked seizure. If there is a single provoked seizure (i.e., there is a known reason for the seizure), the Agency should consider specific criteria that fall into the following two categories: low-risk factors for recurrence and moderate-to-high risk factors for recurrence. Examples of low-risk factors for recurrence include seizures that were caused by a medication; by non-penetrating head injury with loss of consciousness less than or equal to 30 minutes; by a brief loss of consciousness not likely to recur while driving; by metabolic derangement not likely to recur; and by alcohol or illicit drug withdrawal. Examples of moderate-to-high-risk factors for</p>	<p>If there is an epilepsy diagnosis, the applicant should be seizure-free for 8 years, on or off medication. If the individual is taking anti-seizure medication(s), the plan for medication should be stable for 2 years. Stable means no changes in medication, dosage, or frequency of medication administration. Recertification for drivers with an epilepsy diagnosis should be performed every year.</p> <p>Single unprovoked seizure. If there is a single unprovoked seizure (i.e., there is no known trigger for the seizure), the individual should be seizure-free for 4 years, on or off medication. If the individual is taking anti-seizure medication(s), the plan for medication should be stable for 2 years. Stable means no changes in medication, dosage, or frequency of medication administration. Recertification for drivers with a single unprovoked seizure should be performed every 2 years.</p> <p>Single provoked seizure. If there is a single provoked seizure (i.e., there is a known reason for the seizure), DMV will consider specific criteria that fall into the following two categories: low-risk factors for recurrence and moderate-to-high risk factors for recurrence.</p> <p>Examples of low-risk factors for recurrence include seizures that were caused by a medication; by non-penetrating head injury with loss of consciousness less than or equal to 30 minutes; by a brief loss of consciousness not likely to recur while driving; by metabolic derangement not likely to recur; and by alcohol or illicit drug withdrawal.</p> <p>Examples of moderate-to-high-risk factors for recurrence include seizures caused by non-penetrating head injury with loss of consciousness or amnesia greater than 30 minutes, or penetrating head injury; intracerebral hemorrhage associated with a stroke or trauma; infections; intracranial hemorrhage; post-operative complications from brain surgery with significant brain hemorrhage; brain tumor; or stroke.</p> <p>Individuals with moderate to high-risk conditions should not be certified. Drivers with a history of a single provoked seizure with low risk factors for recurrence should be recertified every year</p>

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<b>Hearing</b>		<p>Submit an application for a waiver, have a clean driving record for 3 years, have a physician certify that the driver is in all other ways qualified</p>	<p>Waiver not offered since hearing is not monitored by the Virginia DMV.</p> <p>Individuals who are totally deaf are disqualified from operating a commercial vehicle. Individuals who have hearing with a hearing aid must be able to hear the skills examiner's instructions in order to be issued a CDL.</p>

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