Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers

Speeding
- Driving an electric mobility device, toy vehicle or bicycle on highway (3 years)
- Driving a moped on interstate highway (3 years)
- Failure to exercise due care—collision with pedestrian (3 years)
- Unauthorized use of crossover on controlled highway (3 years)
- Driving/riding on sidewalk (3 years)

Other Violations
- Failure to give way in favor of overtaking vehicle (3 years)
- Changing course after signaling (3 years)
- Improper stopping on highway (3 years)
- Improper driving (3 years)
- Improper passing on the right (3 years)
- Improper passing (3 years)
- Speeding 1–9 mph above the posted speed limit (3 years)
- Failure to have sufficient undercarriage clearance at a railroad crossing (3 years)

Railroad Crossings
- Other Violations
- Failure to give way when abreast of another car (3 years)
- Driving through safety zone (3 years)
- Driving over fire hose (3 years)

Turning/Backing
- Improper turn (3 years)
- Improper U-turn (3 years)
- Violation of right turn on red (3 years)
- Violation of left turn on red (3 years)

Signs/Signals
- Failure to obey highway sign (3 years)
- Evading traffic control device (3 years)

Lights
- Driving without lights/excessive lights (3 years)
- Failure to dim headlights (3 years)
- Parking without proper lights displayed (3 years)
- Inadequate hazard lights (3 years)

Licenses/Permits
- No Virginia driver’s license (3 years)
- No Virginia license plate (3 years)
- Failure to obtain a driver’s license (3 years)
- No driver’s license—vehicle/motorcycle (3 years)
- Failure to have license revalidated (3 years)
- Learner’s permit violation (3 years)
- Permitting unlicensed person to drive (3 years)
- Driving in violation of restricted license (restrictions related to physical limitation, such as mechanical control device) (3 years)

Commercial Motor Vehicles
- Driving commercial motor vehicle in left lane of interstate (3 years)
- Driving in excess of 13 hours in a 24-hour period (3 years)
- Driving public passenger-carrying vehicle under age (3 years)
- Driving bus transporting school children without a safety belt (3 years)
- Driving school bus without license (3 years)
- Driving school bus under age (3 years)
- Using wireless device while operating school bus (3 years)
- Vehicle height exceeds limit for tunnels (3 years)

Three Point Violations

Speeding
- Speeding 1–9 mph above the posted speed limit (3 years)
- Impeding traffic, slow speed (5 years)

Passing/Driving
- Improper passing (3 years)
- Improper passing on the right (3 years)
- Improper driving (3 years)
- Improper stopping on highway (3 years)
- Changing course after signaling (3 years)
- Coasting with gears in neutral (3 years)
- Failure to give way in favor of overtaking vehicle (3 years)
- Failure to give way when abreast of another car (3 years)
- Driving through safety zone (3 years)
- Driving over fire hose (3 years)

Commercial Driver Improvement Program

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A Different Kind of Crash Course

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Demerit points are assigned when you commit a traffic violation. The number of years that the conviction stays on your DMV record in parentheses beside each violation.

DMV also posts to your record traffic violations that do not carry demerit points. These, however, are not listed in this brochure. Demeirt points will also be assigned to your record for traffic convictions incurred in other states. The length of time that a conviction stays on your record depends on the severity of the violation. If you hold a commercial driver’s license or permit or you receive an order or notice of revocation, suspension, disqualification or cancellation, your convictions could remain on your record even longer than specified in this brochure.

DMV demerit points remain on your record for two years from the date that you commit the offense. The dates that demerit points are removed from your driving record are not related to the dates that convictions are removed from your record.

Your insurance company may also assign points on your insurance record; however, DMV demerit points are not related to insurance company points. Insurance company points are developed by individual companies.

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**Six Point Violations**

**Reckless Driving (Felony or Misdemeanor)**
- Reckless driving—speeding in excess of 80 mph (11 years)
- Reckless driving—speeding 20 mph or more above the posted speed limit (11 years)
- Reckless driving—racing (11 years)
- Reckless driving—passing or overtaking an emergency vehicle (11 years)
- Reckless driving—passing a school bus (11 years)
- Reckless driving—passing on the crest of a hill (11 years)
- Reckless driving—passing at a railroad crossing (11 years)
- Reckless driving—passing two vehicles abreast (11 years)
- Reckless driving—driving two vehicles abreast (11 years)
- Reckless driving—driving too fast for conditions (11 years)
- Reckless driving—failing to give a proper signal (11 years)
- Reckless driving—faulty brakes/improper control (11 years)
- Reckless driving—on parking lots, etc. (11 years)
- Reckless driving—with an obstructed view (11 years)
- Reckless driving—generally (11 years)

**Driving Under the Influence**
- Possess or consume alcoholic beverage while operating a school bus transporting children (*
- Driving while intoxicated (11 years)
- Driving while intoxicated felony (11 years)
- Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs (11 years)
- Driving under the influence of drugs (11 years)
- Driving after illegally consuming alcohol (persons under age 21) (3 years)
- Driving while intoxicated—maiming (11 years)
- Involuntary manslaughter/alcohol (11 years)
- Refusing blood/breath test (11 years)
- Driving while your license is suspended or revoked for driving while intoxicated (11 years)
- Driving while your license is revoked for driving while intoxicated—maiming (11 years)
- Driving while your license is revoked for driving while intoxicated—voluntary manslaughter (11 years)
- Operating without ignition interlock—DMV requirement (11 years)

**Manslaughter**
- Manslaughter (11 years)
- Involuntary manslaughter (11 years)
- Involuntary manslaughter/aggregated (11 years)

**Habitual Offenders**
- Driving after being declared a habitual offender (11 years)
- Allowing a person to drive when suspended for habitual offender and/or driving while intoxicated (3 years)

**Licenses/Permits**
- Driving on suspended license (11 years)
- Driving while your license is suspended or revoked (11 years)
- Driving while your license is suspended or revoked for non-payment of court fines and costs (11 years)
- Driving under suspension or revocation before giving proof of financial responsibility (11 years)

**Commercial Motor Vehicles**
- Driving commercial motor vehicle while disqualified (*)
- Driving commercial motor vehicle with blood alcohol .04 percent or more (*)
- Driving commercial motor vehicle with blood alcohol .08 percent or more (*)
- Driving commercial motor vehicle under influence of drugs, (*)
- Driving commercial motor vehicle under influence of drug/alcohol (*)
- Refusing blood/breath test while operating commercial motor vehicle (*)
- Violating out of service order (15 years)

**Other Violations**
- Speeding 20 mph or more above the posted speed limit (5 years)
- Injuring person while racing—felony (11 years)
- Causing death of a person while racing (11 years)
- Failure to stop at the scene of a crash—serious (11 years)
- Failure to stop at the scene of a crash—death (11 years)
- Failure to stop at the scene of a crash—property damage of $1,000 or more (11 years)
- Fail to change lanes/slow down for vehicle displaying flashing lights—death (11 years)
- Vehicular assault or willful stopping, impeding or damaging vehicle (11 years)
- Blocking access to service facility (11 years)
- Attempting to elude police—felony (11 years)
- Misdemeanor (3 years)
- Operating unsafe vehicle (3 years)

**Four Point Violations**

**Reckless Driving/Speeding**
- Reckless driving—failure to stop before entering a highway (11 years)
- Speeding (5 years)
- Speeding 10-14 mph above the posted speed limit (5 years)
- Speeding 15-19 mph above the posted speed limit (5 years)
- Speeding 10-19 mph above the posted speed limit (5 years)

**Passing**
- Passing when unsafe (3 years)
- Passing to the left of approaching vehicle (3 years)

**Stopping/Yielding**
- Failure to drive to the right and stop for police/line/emergency vehicle (3 years)
- Failure to stop for pedestrian with white cane (3 years)
- Failure to stop and yield right-of-way (3 years)
- Failure to yield right-of-way (3 years)
- Failure to yield when turning left (3 years)
- Failure to yield to funeral procession (3 years)

**Keeping to the Right**
- Failure to drive on right half of highway or street (3 years)
- Failure to keep to the right when crossing an intersection (3 years)
- Driving to the left of rotary traffic island (3 years)

**Following/Signaling**
- Following too closely (3 years)
- Failure to signal before moving from curb (3 years)
- Improper signal (3 years)

**Railroad Crossings**
- Failure to obey railroad crossing signal (3 years)
- Failure to stop at railroad grade crossing (3 years)
- Failure to keep to the right at a railroad crossing (3 years)
- Failure to stop passenger-carrying vehicle at railroad grade crossing (3 years)
- Railroad crossing/standing (3 years)
- Improper operation of crawler-type tractor over railroad crossing (3 years)

An asterisk (*) indicates that the conviction remains on your record permanently.