

**For CDL drivers to stay in compliance:** Complete this Medical Self-Certification Statement form **whenever you renew, upgrade, or obtain a new CDL or when your Medical status has changed.** Federal and state regulations require all Commercial Driver License (CDL) holders to certify their Medical status based on the type of operation in which they are engaged. Based on that certification, some drivers will be required to provide a copy of the Medical Examiner Certificate (Medical Card) to the South Dakota Driver License Program (DPS) so the information can be added to their driver record.

**If you need help selecting your status, see the back of this form.**

**Things to keep in mind when certifying your medical status:**

- If you are under the age of 21, by federal law, you may not certify (NI) or (EI).
- (NI) drivers will have to submit a Medical Card to DPS; whenever a new card is obtained or there is a change in a driver’s medical situation that results in a change to the Medical Card, that card must be resubmitted to DPS. You can email it to [dpscdlmedcert@state.sd.us](mailto:dpscdlmedcert@state.sd.us) or fax it to 605-773-3018.
- All “S” endorsement holders will have to submit a Medical Card whether certifying (NI) or (NA).
- You should certify the highest category that you may operate under. If you normally operate in intrastate commerce (within South Dakota only) but travel out of state once or twice a year, you must certify interstate because you will eventually leave the state at some point.
- If you want to operate in a higher category after already certifying something lower to DPS, you must come back into an Exam Station and recertify. You can change category levels at any time. You must obtain a new license each time you add or remove the “K” restriction from your commercial driver license.

Please check **only one** category and complete the information below:

- Non-Excepted Interstate (NI)** – I drive *interstate* (I or my cargo cross state lines) and I need a Medical Card to drive a commercial vehicle. I need to submit a copy of my Medical Card to the state any time I get a new card to maintain a valid CDL license.
- Excepted Interstate (EI)** – I drive *interstate* (I or my cargo cross state lines) and I do not need a Medical Card to drive a commercial vehicle because of one of the reasons listed on the back of this form.
- Excepted Intrastate (EA)** – I drive *intrastate* (I and my cargo do not cross state lines) and I do not need a Medical Card to drive a commercial vehicle.
- Non-Excepted Intrastate (NA)** – I drive *intrastate* (I and my cargo do not cross state lines) and I need a Medical Card to drive a commercial vehicle. (This is the correct category for drivers who have a South Dakota Diabetic Waiver).

I have read this document and certify the type of operation marked above is correct to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that my commercial privileges will be taken away if I do not comply with any requirement associated with the category of operation that I have selected.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Date of Birth	Driver License Number	

I have read this document and certify the type of operation marked above is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
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**What is 49 CFR 391?**

Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, parts 391.41-391.49, is the regulation for physical qualifications and examinations of CMV operators. Your Medical Card must be issued in accordance with 49 CFR 391.43 as proof that you are physically qualified under 49 CFR 391.45 to drive a commercial motor vehicle. Drivers meet these requirements when they legally obtain a Medical Card from a medical provider who is allowed to complete the form.

# Determining your Commercial Medical Certification Status

## INTERSTATE Commerce

If you or your cargo **DO** cross state lines

### Do you operate in any of these federally excepted categories?

- Transportation performed by any political subdivision
- Transportation of human corpses or sick and injured persons
- Operation of fire trucks and rescue vehicles while involved in emergency and related operations
- Operation of vehicles designed or used to transport between 9 and 15 passengers not for direct compensation
- Transportation of propane winter heating fuel during an emergency or responding to a pipeline emergency
- Farm custom operations: custom-harvesting operations, transporting farm machinery, supplies, or both, to or from a farm for custom-harvesting operations on a farm, or to transport custom-harvested crops to storage or market
- Seasonal transportation of bees in a commercial motor vehicle controlled and operated by a beekeeper
- Operation of private motor carrier of passengers (non-business)
- Occasional transport of personal property not for compensation or commercial enterprise

How do you operate your CMV?

## INTRASTATE Commerce

If you or your cargo **DO NOT** cross state lines

### Do you operate in any of these state excepted categories?

- School Bus drivers NOT crossing state lines.

No

Yes

No

Yes

### Nonexcepted Interstate

1. Self-certify (NI).
2. Submit a copy of your Medical Examiner's Certificate.

\*You must keep a current copy of your medical card on file with DPS. Failure to do so will result in the medical downgrade of your CDL status.

### Excepted Interstate

1. Self-certify (EI).

\*This applies to those who operate interstate but have an exception for the medical card.

### Excepted Intrastate

1. Self-certify (EA).
2. You **DO NOT** need to submit a medical card, however your CDL does need a "K" restriction.

\*The "K" restriction will show on your license identifying you as an intrastate only driver (when operating a CMV).

### Nonexcepted Intrastate

1. Self-certify (NA).
2. Submit a copy of your Medical Examiner's Certificate.
3. Your CDL does need a "K" restriction.

\*You must keep a current copy of your medical card on file with DPS. Failure to do so will result in the medical downgrade of your CDL status.  
\*\*The "K" restriction will show on your license identifying you as an intrastate only driver (when operating a CMV).