

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Required to Provide Service

No driver may operate a limousine providing limousine service unless the driver is physically qualified to drive under Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 391.41, paragraphs (a) and (b).

Before driving a limousine providing limousine service, a driver must have a valid medical examiner's certificate under Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 391.43. A copy of the medical examiner's certificate must be given to the limousine operator who employs the driver.

A limousine operator must keep a copy of the certificate showing that a driver meets the physical qualification requirements.

A driver must carry a signed medical examiner's certificate when operating a limousine.

Waiver for Physical Defects

A person who is not physically qualified to drive under Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 391.41, paragraph (b)(1) or (b)(2), and who is otherwise qualified to drive a motor vehicle, may drive a limousine providing limousine service if the commissioner grants a waiver to that person under Minnesota Rule 8880, parts 8850.7250 to 8850.7675. For purposes of this subpart, the term "carrier," as used in parts 8850.7250 to 8850.7675, means a limousine operator.

Certification Process

- Find a Certified Medical Examiner at a the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners Registration https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/national-registry-certified-medical-examiners-search
- Get your DOT medical exam by the certified medical examiner
- Receive a signed medical examiner's certificate
- Carry signed medical examiner's certificate with you and provide a copy to the limousine operator

Frequently Asked Questions

What are medical waivers? Medical waivers are exceptions for disqualifying conditions (deaf/hard-of-hearing; insulin-dependent diabetic, physical loss or impairment of a foot, leg, hand, arm, hand or finger(s), and vision).

A person who is not physically qualified to drive a limousine due to certain physical conditions but who meets the other physical qualifications may drive a limousine if that person is granted a Medical Waiver.

How do I get a waiver?

The Medical Waiver Application Packet is available online at www.dot.state.mn.us/cvo/medicalwaivers.html or by calling the MnDOT Office of Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations at 651-366-3700.

Can I have a temporary medical waiver during the application process?

There are no provisions for a temporary medical waiver during the application and review process.

How do I replace a lost waiver?

Contact the MnDOT Office of Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations at 651-366-3674

What is the cost for a waiver?

There is no cost for the waiver. Physicians or other medical examiners may assess a fee.

How long is a waiver valid?

When a Medical Waiver is granted, it will expire on the same date as the expiration date on the Medical Examiner's Certificate. It is the Medical Waiver recipient's responsibility to keep the Medical Examiner's Certificate and Medical Waiver current.

Can a waiver be revoked?

Yes. The commissioner may revoke a waiver only after the person to whom it was granted is given notice of the proposed revocation and has been allowed an opportunity for hearing under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14. Falsifying information in the waiver application, information in the renewal application, or information required by a medical evaluation, by either the applicant or limousine operator, is prohibited.

When a vehicle passes a safety inspection, what happens next?

The inspector gives the inspection report to the driver and a copy is sent to the provider. Providers need to present the inspection report to MnDOT and pay for the decal. MnDOT will issue the decal immediately upon payment.

How much do decals cost?

Each decal costs \$80.00. This is in addition to the \$150 fee for the initial limousine permit application.

What payment forms are accepted?

Our office accepts cash, check or credit card.

Where should the decal be displayed on a limousine?

A limousine identification decal must be securely affixed to the lower corner of the limousine windshield on the passenger side of the vehicle. A decal must not be obscured and must be easy to read when the vehicle is stationary. A limousine may bear only one decal.

May I transfer the decal to another limousine?

No. A limousine identification decal may not be transferred to another limousine and must be removed if a limousine operator stops using the limousine to provide limousine service.