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familiar with the driver's medical history and has advised the driver that the substance will not adversely affect the driver's ability to safely operate a commercial motor vehicle; and

(13) Has no current clinical diagnosis of alcoholism.

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#### **§ 391.43 Medical examination; certificate of physical examination.**

(a) Except as provided by paragraph (b) of this section, the medical examination must be performed by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners under subpart D of part 390 of this chapter.

(b) Exceptions:

(1) A licensed ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist may perform the part of the medical examination that involves visual acuity, field of vision, and the ability to recognize colors as specified in § 391.41(b)(10).

(2) A certified VA medical examiner must only perform medical examinations of veteran operators.

(c) Medical examiners shall:

(1) Be knowledgeable of the specific physical and mental demands associated with operating a commercial

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motor vehicle and the requirements of this subpart, including the medical advisory criteria prepared by the FMCSA as guidelines to aid the medical examiner in making the qualification determination; and

(2) Be proficient in the use of and use the medical protocols necessary to adequately perform the medical examination required by this section.

(d) Any driver authorized to operate a commercial motor vehicle within an exempt intracity zone pursuant to § 391.62 of this part shall furnish the examining medical examiner with a copy of the medical findings that led to the issuance of the first certificate of medical examination which allowed the driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle wholly within an exempt intracity zone.

(e) Any driver operating under a limited exemption authorized by § 391.64 shall furnish the medical examiner with a copy of the annual medical findings of the ophthalmologist or optometrist, as required under § 391.64. If the medical examiner finds the driver qualified under the limited exemption in § 391.64, such fact shall be noted on the Medical Examiner's Certificate.

(f) The medical examination shall be performed, and its results shall be recorded on the Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, set out in this paragraph (f):

Form MCSA-5875

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MEDICAL RECORD #

(or sticker)

**SECTION 1. Driver Information** (to be filled out by the driver)

<b>PERSONAL INFORMATION</b>				
Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial:	Date of Birth:	Age:
Street Address:		City:	State/Province:	Zip Code:
Driver's License Number:		Issuing State/Province:	Phone:	
E-Mail (optional):		CLP/CDL Applicant/Holder*: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
		Driver ID Verified By**: _____		
Has your USDOT/FMCSA medical certificate ever been denied or issued for less than 2 years? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not Sure				

\*CLP/CDL Applicant/Holder: See instructions for definitions.

\*\*Driver ID Verified By: Record what type of photo ID was used to verify the identity of the driver, e.g., CDL, driver's license, passport.

<b>DRIVER HEALTH HISTORY</b>	
Have you ever had surgery? If "yes," please list and explain below. <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not Sure	
<div></div>	
Are you currently taking medications (prescription, over-the-counter, herbal remedies, diet supplements)? If "yes," please describe below. <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not Sure	
<div></div>	

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

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**DRIVER HEALTH HISTORY** (continued)

Do you have or have you ever had:	Yes	No	Not Sure		Yes	No	Not Sure
1. Head/brain injuries or illnesses (e.g., concussion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	16. Dizziness, headaches, numbness, tingling, or memory loss	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Seizures/epilepsy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	17. Unexplained weight loss	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Eye problems (except glasses or contacts)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	18. Stroke, mini-stroke (TIA), paralysis, or weakness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Ear and/or hearing problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	19. Missing or limited use of arm, hand, finger, leg, foot, toe	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Heart disease, heart attack, bypass, or other heart problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	20. Neck or back problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Pacemaker, stents, implantable devices, or other heart procedures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	21. Bone, muscle, joint, or nerve problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. High blood pressure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	22. Blood clots or bleeding problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. High cholesterol	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	23. Cancer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Chronic (long-term) cough, shortness of breath, or other breathing problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	24. Chronic (long-term) infection or other chronic diseases	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Lung disease (e.g., asthma)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	25. Sleep disorders, pauses in breathing while asleep, daytime sleepiness, loud snoring	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Kidney problems, kidney stones, or pain/problems with urination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	26. Have you ever had a sleep test (e.g., sleep apnea)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. Stomach, liver, or digestive problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	27. Have you ever spent a night in the hospital?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. Diabetes or blood sugar problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	28. Have you ever had a broken bone?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Insulin used	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	29. Have you ever used or do you now use tobacco?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14. Anxiety, depression, nervousness, other mental health problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	30. Do you currently drink alcohol?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15. Fainting or passing out	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	31. Have you used an illegal substance within the past two years?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
				32. Have you ever failed a drug test or been dependent on an illegal substance?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other health condition(s) not described above:

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure

Did you answer "yes" to any of questions 1-32? If so, please comment further on those health conditions below:

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

**CMV DRIVER'S SIGNATURE**

I certify that the above information is accurate and complete. I understand that inaccurate, false or missing information may invalidate the examination and my Medical Examiner's Certificate, that submission of fraudulent or intentionally false information is a violation of 49 CFR 390.35, and that submission of fraudulent or intentionally false information may subject me to civil or criminal penalties under 49 CFR 390.37 and 49 CFR 386 Appendices A and B.

Driver's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2. Examination Report** (to be filled out by the medical examiner)**DRIVER HEALTH HISTORY REVIEW**

Review and discuss pertinent driver answers and any available medical records. Comment on the driver's responses to the "health history" questions that may affect the driver's safe operation of a commercial motor vehicle (CMV).

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

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Last Name: _____		First Name: _____		DOB: _____		Exam Date: _____	
<b>TESTING</b>							
Pulse Rate: _____		Pulse rhythm regular: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		Height: _____ feet _____ inches		Weight: _____ pounds	
<b>Blood Pressure</b>		<b>Systolic</b>		<b>Diastolic</b>		<b>Urinalysis</b>	
Sitting						Urinalysis is required. Numerical readings must be recorded.	
Second reading (optional)							
Other testing if indicated				Protein, blood, or sugar in the urine may be an indication for further testing to rule out any underlying medical problem.			
<b>Vision</b> <small>Standard is at least 20/40 acuity (Snellen) in each eye with or without correction. At least 70° field of vision in horizontal meridian measured in each eye. The use of corrective lenses should be noted on the Medical Examiner's Certificate.</small>				<b>Hearing</b> <small>Standard: Must first perceive whispered voice at not less than 5 feet OR average hearing loss of less than or equal to 40 dB, in better ear (with or without hearing aid).</small>			
<b>Acuity</b>		<b>Uncorrected</b>		<b>Corrected</b>		<b>Horizontal Field of Vision</b>	
Right Eye: 20/ _____		20/ _____		Right Eye: _____ degrees			
Left Eye: 20/ _____		20/ _____		Left Eye: _____ degrees			
Both Eyes: 20/ _____		20/ _____		<b>Yes</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> <input type="radio"/>			
Applicant can recognize and distinguish among traffic control signals and devices showing red, green, and amber colors							
Monocular vision				<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>			
Referred to ophthalmologist or optometrist?				<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>			
Received documentation from ophthalmologist or optometrist?				<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>			
<b>PHYSICAL EXAMINATION</b>							
<p>The presence of a certain condition may not necessarily disqualify a driver, particularly if the condition is controlled adequately, is not likely to worsen, or is readily amenable to treatment. Even if a condition does not disqualify a driver, the Medical Examiner may consider deferring the driver temporarily. Also, the driver should be advised to take the necessary steps to correct the condition as soon as possible, particularly if neglecting the condition could result in a more serious illness that might affect driving.</p> <p>Check the body systems for abnormalities.</p>							
<b>Body System</b>		<b>Normal</b>		<b>Abnormal</b>		<b>Body System</b>	
1. General		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		8. Abdomen	
2. Skin		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		9. Genito-urinary system including hernias	
3. Eyes		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		10. Back/spine	
4. Ears		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		11. Extremities/joints	
5. Mouth/throat		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		12. Neurological system including reflexes	
6. Cardiovascular		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		13. Gait	
7. Lungs/chest		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>		14. Vascular system	
<p>Discuss any abnormal answers in detail in the space below and indicate whether it would affect the driver's ability to operate a CMV. Enter applicable item number before each comment.</p>							
<small>(Attach additional sheets if necessary)</small>							

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Please complete only one of the following (Federal or State) Medical Examiner Determination sections:

**MEDICAL EXAMINER DETERMINATION (Federal)**

Use this section for examinations performed in accordance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41–391.49):

- ☐ Does not meet standards (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Meets standards in 49 CFR 391.41; qualifies for 2-year certificate
- ☐ Meets standards, but periodic monitoring required (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_
- Driver qualified for: ☐ 3 months ☐ 6 months ☐ 1 year ☐ other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Wearing corrective lenses ☐ Wearing hearing aid ☐ Accompanied by a waiver/exemption (specify type): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Accompanied by a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate ☐ Qualified by operation of 49 CFR 391.64 (Federal)
- ☐ Driving within an exempt intracity zone (see 49 CFR 391.62) (Federal)
- ☐ Determination pending (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Return to medical exam office for follow-up on (must be 45 days or less): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Medical Examination Report amended (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_
- (if amended) Medical Examiner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Incomplete examination (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_

If the driver meets the standards outlined in 49 CFR 391.41, then complete a Medical Examiner's Certificate as stated in 49 CFR 391.43(h), as appropriate.

I have performed this evaluation for certification. I have personally reviewed all available records and recorded information pertaining to this evaluation, and attest that, to the best of my knowledge, I believe it to be true and correct.

Medical Examiner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Name (please print or type): \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Certificate Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's State License, Certificate, or Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Issuing State: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ MD ☐ DO ☐ Physician Assistant ☐ Chiropractor ☐ Advanced Practice Nurse☐ Other Practitioner (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

National Registry Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Certificate Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MEDICAL EXAMINER DETERMINATION (State)**

*Use this section for examinations performed in accordance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41-391.49) with any applicable State variances (which will only be valid for intrastate operations):*

☐ Does not meet standards in 49 CFR 391.41 with any applicable State variances (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Meets standards in 49 CFR 391.41 with any applicable State variances

☐ Meets standards, but periodic monitoring required (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_

Driver qualified for: ☐ 3 months ☐ 6 months ☐ 1 year ☐ other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Wearing corrective lenses ☐ Wearing hearing aid ☐ Accompanied by a waiver/exemption (specify type): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Accompanied by a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate ☐ Grandfathered from State requirements (State) \_\_\_\_\_

**If the driver meets the standards outlined in 49 CFR 391.41, with applicable State variances, then complete a Medical Examiner's Certificate, as appropriate.**

I have performed this evaluation for certification. I have personally reviewed all available records and recorded information pertaining to this evaluation, and attest that, to the best of my knowledge, I believe it to be true and correct.

Medical Examiner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Name (please print or type): \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Certificate Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's State License, Certificate, or Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Issuing State: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ MD ☐ DO ☐ Physician Assistant ☐ Chiropractor ☐ Advanced Practice Nurse

☐ Other Practitioner (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

National Registry Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Examiner's Certificate Expiration Date:

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**Instructions for Completing the Medical Examination Report Form (MCSA-5875)****I. Step-By-Step Instructions****Driver:****Section 1: Driver Information**

- **Personal Information:** Please complete this section using your name as written on your driver's license, your current address and phone number, your date of birth, age, driver's license number and issuing state.
  - **CLP/CDL Applicant/Holder:** Check "yes" if you are a commercial learner's permit (CLP) or commercial driver's license (CDL) holder, or are applying for a CLP or CDL. CDL means a license issued by a State or the District of Columbia which authorizes the individual to operate a class of a commercial motor vehicle (CMV). A CMV that requires a CDL is one that: (1) has a gross combination weight rating or gross combination weight of 26,001 pounds or more inclusive of a towed unit with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) or gross vehicle weight (GVW) of more than 10,000 pounds; or (2) has a GVWR or GVW of 26,001 pounds or more; or (3) is designed to transport 16 or more passengers, including the driver; or (4) is used to transport either hazardous materials requiring hazardous materials placards on the vehicle or any quantity of a select agent or toxin.
  - **Driver ID Verified By:** The Medical Examiner/staff completes this item and notes the type of photo ID used to verify the driver's identity such as, commercial driver's license, driver's license, or passport, etc.
  - **Has your USDOT/FMCSA medical certificate ever been denied or issued for less than two years?** Please check the correct box "yes" or "no" and if you aren't sure check the "not sure" box.
- **Driver Health History:**
  - **Have you ever had surgery:** Please check "yes" if you have ever had surgery and provide a written explanation of the details (type of surgery, date of surgery, etc.)
  - **Are you currently taking medications (prescription, over-the-counter, herbal remedies, diet supplements):** Please check "yes" if you are taking any diet supplements, herbal remedies, or prescription or over the counter medications. In the box below the question, indicate the name of the medication and the dosage.
  - **#1-32:** Please complete this section by checking the "yes" box to indicate that you have, or have ever had, the health condition listed or the "No" box if you have not. Check the "not sure" box if you are unsure.
  - **Other Health Conditions not described above:** If you have, or have had, any other health conditions not listed in the section above, check "Yes" and in the box provided and list those condition(s).
  - **Any yes answers to questions #1-32 above:** If you have answered "yes" to any of the questions in the Driver Health History section above, please explain your answers further in the box below the question. For example, if you answered "yes" to question #5 regarding heart disease, heart attack, bypass, or other heart problem, indicate which type of heart condition. If you checked "yes" to question #23 regarding cancer, indicate the type of cancer. Please add any information that will be helpful to the Medical Examiner.
- **CMV Driver Signature and Date:** Please read the certification statement, sign and date it, indicating that the information you provided in Section 1 is accurate and complete.

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**Medical Examiner:****Section 2: Examination Report**

- **Driver Health History Review:** Review answers provided by the driver in the driver health history section and discuss any “yes” and “not sure” responses. In addition, be sure to compare the medication list to the health history responses ensuring that the medication list matches the medical conditions noted. Explore with the driver any answers that seem unclear. Record any information that the driver omitted. As the Medical Examiner conducting the driver’s physical examination you are required to complete the entire medical examination even if you detect a medical condition that you consider disqualifying, such as deafness. Medical Examiners are expected to determine the driver’s physical qualification for operating a commercial vehicle safely. Thus, if you find a disqualifying condition for which a driver may receive a Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration medical exemption, please record that on the driver’s Medical Examiner’s Certificate, Form MCSA-5876, as well as on the Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875.
- **Testing:**
  - **Pulse rate and rhythm, height, and weight:** record these as indicated on the form.
  - **Blood Pressure:** record the blood pressure (systolic and diastolic) of the driver being examined. A second reading is optional and should be recorded if found to be necessary.
  - **Urinalysis:** record the numerical readings for the specific gravity, protein, blood and sugar.
  - **Vision:** The current vision standard is provided on the form. When other than the Snellen chart is used, give test results in Snellen-comparable values. When recording distance vision, use 20 feet as normal. Record the vision acuity results and indicate if the driver can recognize and distinguish among traffic control signals and devices showing red, green, and amber colors; has monocular vision; has been referred to an ophthalmologist or optometrist; and if documentation has been received from an ophthalmologist or optometrist.
  - **Hearing:** The current hearing standard is provided on the form. Hearing can be tested using either a whisper test or audiometric test. Record the test results in the corresponding section for the test used.
- **Physical Examination:** Check the body systems for abnormalities and indicate normal or abnormal for each body system listed. Discuss any abnormal answers in detail in the space provided and indicate whether it would affect the driver’s ability to safely operate a commercial motor vehicle.

*In this next section, you will be completing either the Federal or State determination, not both.*

- **Medical Examiner Determination (Federal):** Use this section for examinations performed in accordance with the FMCSRs (49 CFR 391.41-391.49). Complete the medical examiner determination section completely. When determining a driver’s physical qualification, please note that English language proficiency (49 CFR part 391.11: General qualifications of drivers) is not factored into that determination.
  - **Does not meet standards:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be not qualified and provide an explanation of why the driver does not meet the standards in 49 CFR 391.41.
  - **Meets standards in 49 CFR 391.41; qualifies for 2-year certification:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be qualified and will be issued a 2-year Medical Examiner’s Certificate.



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- **Meets standards, but periodic monitoring is required:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be qualified but needs periodic monitoring and provide an explanation of why periodic monitoring is required. Select the corresponding time frame that the driver is qualified for, and if selecting “other” specify the time frame.
  - **Determination that driver meets standards:** Select all categories that apply to the driver’s certification (e.g., wearing corrective lenses, accompanied by a waiver/exemption, driving within an exempt intracity zone, etc.).
- **Determination pending:** Select this option when more information is needed to make a qualification decision and specify a date, on or before the 45 day expiration date, for the driver to return to the medical exam office for follow-up. This will allow for a delay of the qualification decision for as many as 45 days. If the disposition of the pending examination is not updated via the National Registry on or before the 45 day expiration date, FMCSA will notify the examining medical examiner and the driver in writing that the examination is no longer valid and that the driver is required to be re-examined.
  - **MER amended:** A Medical Examination Report Form (MER), MCSA-5875, may only be amended while in determination pending status for situations where new information (e.g., test results, etc.) has been received or there has been a change in the driver’s medical status since the initial examination, but prior to a final qualification determination. Select this option when a Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, is being amended; provide the reason for the amendment, sign and date. In addition, initial and date any changes made on the Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875. A Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, cannot be amended after an examination has been in determination pending status for more than 45 days or after a final qualification determination has been made. The driver is required to obtain a new physical examination and a new Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, should be completed.
- **Incomplete examination:** Select this when the physical examination is not completed for any reason (e.g., driver decides they do not want to continue with the examination and leaves) other than situations outlined under determination pending.
- **Medical Examiner information, signature and date:** Provide your name, address, phone number, occupation, license, certificate, or registration number and issuing state, national registry number, signature and date.
- **Medical Examiner’s Certificate Expiration Date:** Enter the date the **driver’s** Medical Examiner’s Certificate (MEC) expires.
- **Medical Examiner Determination (State):** Use this section for examinations performed in accordance with the FMCSRs ([49 CFR 391.41–391.49](#)) with any applicable State variances (which will only be valid for intrastate operations). Complete the medical examiner determination section completely.
  - **Does not meet standards in [49 CFR 391.41](#) with any applicable State variances:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be not qualified and provide an explanation of why the driver does not meet the standards in [49 CFR 391.41](#) with any applicable State variances.
  - **Meets standards in [49 CFR 391.41](#) with any applicable State variances:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be qualified and will be issued a 2-year Medical Examiner’s Certificate.

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- **Meets standards, but periodic monitoring is required:** Select this option when a driver is determined to be qualified but needs periodic monitoring and provide an explanation of why periodic monitoring is required. Select the corresponding time frame that the driver is qualified for, and if selecting "other" specify the time frame.
  - **Determination that driver meets standards:** Select all categories that apply to the driver's certification (e.g., wearing corrective lenses, accompanied by a waiver/exemption, etc.).
  - **Medical Examiner information, signature and date:** Provide your name, address, phone number, occupation, license, certificate, or registration number and issuing state, national registry number, signature and date.
  - **Medical Examiner's Certificate Expiration Date:** Enter the date the **driver's** Medical Examiner's Certificate (MEC) expires.
- II. If updating an existing exam, you must resubmit the new exam results, via the Medical Examination Results Form, MCSA-5850, to the National Registry, and the most recent dated exam will take precedence.
- III. To obtain additional information regarding this form go to the Medical Program's page on the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's website at <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulations/medical>.

(g) Upon completion of the medical examination required by this subpart: port and provide his or her full name, office address, and telephone number on the Report.

(1) The medical examiner must date and sign the Medical Examination Re-

(2)(i) Before June 23, 2025, if the medical examiner finds that the person examined is physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in accordance with § 391.41(b), he or she must complete a certificate in the form prescribed in paragraph (h) of this section and furnish the original to the person who was examined. The examiner must provide a copy to a prospective or current employing motor carrier who requests it.

(ii) On or after June 23, 2025, if the medical examiner identifies that the person examined will not be operating a commercial motor vehicle that requires a commercial driver's license or a commercial learner's permit and finds that the driver is physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in accordance with § 391.41(b), he or she must complete a certificate in the form prescribed in paragraph (h) of this section and furnish the original to the person who was examined. The examiner must provide a copy to a prospective or current employing motor carrier who requests it.

(3) On or after June 23, 2025, if the medical examiner finds that the person examined is not physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in accordance with § 391.41(b), he or she must inform the person examined that he or she is not physically qualified, and that this information will be reported to FMCSA. All medical examiner's certificates previously issued to the person are not valid and no longer satisfy the requirements of § 391.41(a).

(4) Beginning December 22, 2015, if the medical examiner finds that the determination of whether the person examined is physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in accordance with § 391.41(b) should be delayed to receive additional information or to conduct further examination in order for the medical examiner to make such determination, he or she must inform the person examined that the additional information must be provided or the further examination completed within 45 days, and that the pending status of the examination will be reported to FMCSA.

(5)(i)(A) Once every calendar month, beginning May 21, 2014 and ending on June 22, 2018, the medical examiner

must electronically transmit to FMCSA, via a secure Web account on the National Registry, a completed CMV Driver Medical Examination Results Form, MCSA-5850. The Form must include all information specified for each medical examination conducted during the previous month for any driver who is required to be examined by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners.

(B) Beginning June 22, 2018 by midnight (local time) of the next calendar day after the medical examiner completes a medical examination for any driver who is required to be examined by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners, the medical examiner must electronically transmit to FMCSA, via a secure FMCSA-designated Web site, a completed CMV Driver Medical Examination Results Form, MCSA-5850. The Form must include all information specified for each medical examination conducted for each driver who is required to be examined by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners in accordance with the provisions of this subpart E, and should also include information for each driver who is required by a State to be examined by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners in accordance with the provisions of this subpart E and any variances from those provisions adopted by such State.

(ii) Beginning on June 22, 2015, if the medical examiner does not perform a medical examination of any driver who is required to be examined by a medical examiner listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners during any calendar month, the medical examiner must report that fact to FMCSA, via a secure FMCSA-designated Web site, by the close of business on the last day of such month.

(h) The medical examiner's certificate shall be completed in accordance with the following Form MCSA-5876, Medical Examiner's Certificate:

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Form MCSA-5876

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**Medical Examiner's Certificate**  
(for Commercial Driver Medical Certification)

I certify that I have examined **Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ in accordance with (please check only one):

☐ the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41-391.49) and, with knowledge of the driving duties, I find this person is qualified, and, if applicable, only when (check all that apply) **OR**

☐ the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41-391.49) with any applicable State variances (which will only be valid for intrastate operations), and, with knowledge of the driving duties, I find this person is qualified, and, if applicable, only when (check all that apply):

☐ Wearing corrective lenses ☐ Accompanied by a \_\_\_\_\_ waiver/exemption ☐ Driving within an exempt intracity zone (49 CFR 391.62) (Federal)

☐ Wearing hearing aid ☐ Accompanied by a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate ☐ Qualified by operation of 49 CFR 391.64 (Federal)

☐ Grandfathered from State requirements (State)

The information I have provided regarding this physical examination is true and complete. A complete Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, with any attachments embodies my findings completely and correctly, and is on file in my office.

**Medical Examiner's Certificate Expiration Date**  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Medical Examiner's Signature</b>	<b>Medical Examiner's Telephone Number</b>	<b>Date Certificate Signed</b>
_____	_____	_____
<b>Medical Examiner's Name (please print or type)</b>	<input type="radio"/> MD <input type="radio"/> Physician Assistant <input type="radio"/> Advanced Practice Nurse	
_____	<input type="radio"/> DO <input type="radio"/> Chiropractor <input type="radio"/> Other Practitioner (specify) _____	
<b>Medical Examiner's State License, Certificate, or Registration Number</b>	<b>Issuing State</b>	<b>National Registry Number</b>
_____	_____	_____

<b>Driver's Signature</b>	<b>Driver's License Number</b>	<b>Issuing State/Province</b>
_____	_____	_____
<b>Driver's Address</b>	<b>CLP/CDL Applicant/Holder</b>	
Street Address: _____ City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip Code: _____	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	

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(i) Each original (paper or electronic) completed Medical Examination Report and a copy or electronic version of each medical examiner's certificate must be retained on file at the office of the medical examiner for at least 3 years from the date of examination. The medical examiner must make all records and information in these files available to an authorized representative of FMCSA or an authorized Federal, State, or local enforcement agency representative, within 48 hours after the request is made.

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## § 391.44 Physical qualification standards for an individual who does not satisfy, with the worse eye, either the distant visual acuity standard with corrective lenses or the field of vision standard, or both.

(a) *General.* An individual who does not satisfy, with the worse eye, either the distant visual acuity standard with corrective lenses or the field of vision standard, or both, in § 391.41(b)(10)(i) is physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce provided:

(1) The individual meets the other physical qualification standards in § 391.41 or has an exemption or skill performance evaluation certificate, if required; and

(2) The individual has the vision evaluation required by paragraph (b) of this section and the medical examination required by paragraph (c) of this section.

(b) *Evaluation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist.* Prior to the examination required by § 391.45 or the expiration of a medical examiner's certificate, the