



Commercial Applicants Identification and Lawful Presence Checklist

General Information

- Every applicant for a Commercial Driver License (CDL) or Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) must provide proof of citizenship or lawful permanent residency at initial issuance.
- All documents must be unaltered certified originals, certified amended originals, or true copies certified by the issuing agency. Photocopies, notarized documents, and online printouts are not accepted. Miniature and wallet sized documents are not accepted.
- **You must provide your Social Security Number.** You can either present a document that shows your number (e.g. Social Security card, W2, 1099) or provide it verbally. Your Social Security Number will be verified through the Social Security Administration.
- U.S. citizens and permanent residents will receive a Real ID-compliant document. ★

Identification Documents

- Colorado applicants for a CLP must present a valid Colorado Driver's License.
- If you are transferring commercial privileges from another state, you are required to provide a valid CDL from that state.

Proof of Citizenship or Lawful Presence Documents

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| ☐ Valid, unexpired U.S. passport | ☐ Certified U.S. Birth Certificate |
| ☐ Certificate of Naturalization/Citizenship | ☐ Valid, unexpired full term Permanent Resident Card (I-551) |
| ☐ Consular Report of Birth Abroad | |

Residential Address

Bring **two** of the following:

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| ☐ First class mail (with dated postmark) | ☐ Bank Statement |
| ☐ Credit card statement | ☐ Pay Stub |
| ☐ Insurance Policy | ☐ Phone/Utility bill (with service address) |
| ☐ Rent receipt (not handwritten) | ☐ Vehicle registration/title |
| ☐ Lease agreement/mortgage statement | |

Document must show applicant's name and current Colorado residential (not P.O. Box) address - including street address, city, and state.

Document must be dated within **1 year** showing full date. Electronic documents are accepted for proof of residential address.

Check Your Name

If your Proof of Citizenship or Lawful Presence document does not show your full name (including middle name) or shows an initial, you must present an additional document to prove your full name.

If your documents show different names due to name change(s) you must provide at least one the following:

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| ☐ Certified Marriage Certificate | ☐ Certified U.S. divorce decree
(showing change of name) | ☐ Certified U.S. court order of name
change or U.S. adoption order |
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If you have had more than one name change you will need to bring as many documents as needed to connect the names shown.

Veteran/Military Indicators:

Bring your DD214 or Retired/Active Military ID to get a Veteran or Military Indicator added to your license or ID.

Organ, Eye & Tissue Donation:

You will be asked about organ, eye and tissue donation during your application. Please consider your choice in advance.

Exceptions Processing:

If, for reasons beyond your control, you cannot provide the required documents, you may be eligible for Exceptions Processing. Visit our website to learn more: [Colorado.gov/DMV/exceptions-processing](https://colorado.gov/DMV/exceptions-processing)

Translation / Interpreters

If you need language assistance to complete your application, a Pocketalk translation device is available at all offices. You may also bring a friend or family member to assist.

This handout is provided as a courtesy and may not apply to all situations.

Applicable statutes and rules can be found in 49 CFR 383.71, CRS Title 42 Article 2, and 1 CCR 204-30.