

Existing law requires that applicants for Classes "A", "B", and "C" commercial driver's licenses must correctly answer at least 80% of the questions on each knowledge test and successfully perform all of the required skills on the skills test to achieve passing scores.

New law provides that the skills test requirements applicable to Class "A", "B", and "C" commercial driver's licenses are waived if a driver meets one of the following requirements:

- (1) Certifies that, during the two-year period immediately prior to applying for a commercial driver's license, he has not had any of the following:
  - (a) More than one license, except for a military license.
  - (b) Any license suspended, revoked, or cancelled.
  - (c) Any convictions for any type of motor vehicle for the disqualifying offenses contained in Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations.
  - (d) More than one conviction for any type of motor vehicle for serious traffic violations contained in Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations.
  - (e) Any conviction for a violation of military, state, or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, arising in connection with any traffic accident, and has no record of an accident in which he or she was at fault.
- (2) Provides evidence and certifies that he is or was any of the following:
  - (a) Regularly employed within the last 90 days in a military position requiring operation of a commercial motor vehicle.
  - (b) Exempt from the commercial driver's license requirements in Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations.
  - (c) Operating a vehicle representative of the commercial motor vehicle the driver applicant operates or expects to operate, for at least the two years immediately preceding discharge from the military.

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(Adds R.S. 32:408(A)(5))