Medical Qualification FAQ – Waivers – Q4

**Description: CANANDIAN DRIVER –REQUIREMENTS FOR DRIVER WITH PROSTHESIS**

**Q4:  Can a Canadian driver apply for a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) certificate to drive in the United States?**

**A4:**  The reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada does not permit drivers who do not meet the medical fitness requirements of Canada to drive in the United States. Both countries agree that Canadian drivers who do not meet the medical provisions in the National Safety Code of Canada but have a waiver by one of the Canadian Provinces or territories would not be qualified to operate a CMV in the United States. The National Safety Code states that a driver must wear a prosthesis and demonstrate his/her ability in an on-road test. Some of the Canadian provinces have not adopted the National Safety Code.

If a driver has no prosthesis when entering the United States., the driver is not qualified to operate here.

It is not necessary for a Canadian driver to apply for a Skill Performance Evaluation certificate to drive in the United States. A valid commercial driver’s license issued by a Canadian Province or Territory is proof of medical fitness to drive. If a Canadian driver is required to wear prosthesis, the driver must wear the prosthesis while operating a commercial vehicle in the U.S. If a driver has no prosthesis when entering the U.S., the driver is not qualified to operate here.