**§383.73 – State Procedures**

**Guidance Q&A**

***Question 6:*** What is the specific role that the State Driver Licensing Agencies (SDLAs) will play as detailed in the entry-level driver training (ELDT) regulations?

***Guidance:*** SDLAs must verify that an entry-level driver has completed the required training before allowing the driver to proceed with testing. The point at which the SDLA must verify completion of entry-level driver training depends on the type of license or endorsement the applicant is seeking.

Specifically, the State must:

* Initiate and complete a check of the applicant’s driving record to ensure that the person is not subject to any disqualification under § 383.51, or any license disqualification under State law, does not have a driver’s license from more than one State or jurisdiction, and has completed the required training prescribed in subpart F of part 380;
* Check with CDLIS to determine whether the driver applicant already has been issued a CDL, whether the applicant’s license has been disqualified, or if the applicant has been disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle;
* Check before an applicant is issued a Class A or Class BCDL, or a passenger (P), school bus (S), or hazardous materials (H) endorsement, whether the applicant has completed the training required by subpart F of part 380 of this subchapter;
* Not conduct a skills test of an applicant for a Class A or Class B CDL, or a passenger (P) or school bus (S)endorsement until the State verifies electronically that the applicant completed the training prescribed in subpart F of part 380 of this subchapter.
* Not issue an upgrade to a Class A or Class B CDL, or a passenger (P), school bus(S), or hazardous materials (H)endorsement, unless the applicant has completed the training required by subpart F of part 380 of this subchapter.

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