

#AreYouReady



Become a Military Under 21 Program Driver

You must be age 18-20 and have a qualified occupational classification:

Army

88M, Motor Transport Operator
92F, Fueller

Marine Corps

3531, Motor Vehicle Operator

Navy

EO, Equipment Operator

Air Force

2T1, Vehicle Operator

2F0, Fueller

3E2, Pavement and Construction Equipment Operator

How to Get a CDL



Step 1

Get a Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP)

(Permit fees vary by state: \$0 to \$78)

A) Get a CDL manual from the state driver's license agency (often a department or division of motor vehicles); it may be available online.

B) Study CDL requirements and laws.

C) Get at a medical examination: [<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/national-registry-certified-medical-examiners-search>]. You'll receive a Medical Exam Report Form & Medical Examiner's Certification you must turn in to get your CLP.

D) Submit the state application, fee, and required documents at the driver's license agency.

E) Complete and pass the vision test and knowledge exam.



Step 2

Get a Commercial Driver's License (CDL)

(License fees vary by state: \$15.50 to \$133.50)

A) Wait a minimum of 14 days (longer in some states) after receiving CLP before getting CDL.

B) Apply for an intrastate CDL. When you're hired by a participating company, you'll receive a waiver allowing you to drive Interstate.

C) Schedule driving skills testing (road exam) with your driver license agency. (Test fees vary from \$25 to \$275)

D) Borrow or rent a truck for the road test; you must be accompanied to the testing site by a CDL holder.

E) Complete and pass skills testing:

- Pre-trip inspection
- Basic vehicle controls
- Driving exam (on-road driving)



Explore CDL Funding Assistance

A) Apply for Service Reimbursement of Expenses for a Professional Credential (i.e., CDL)

Army

<https://www.cool.army.mil>

Marine Corps

<https://www.col.nav.mil/usmc>

Navy

<https://www.cool.navy.mil>

Air Force

<https://afvec.us.af.mil/afvec/Public/COOL>

B) Check with motor carriers participating in the Under 21 Military Driver Program at:
<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/under21militaryjobs>.

