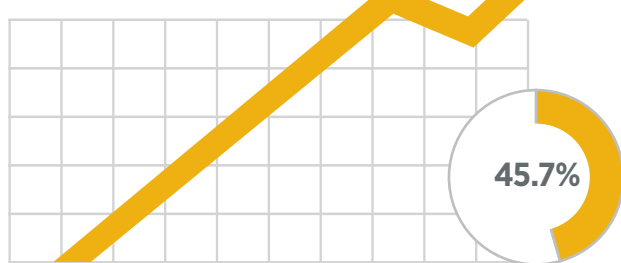


# Use Your Military Driving Experience to Transition Smoothly into a Civilian Career in Transportation

The transportation industry is expected to continue growing, with experts predicting a 36% freight volume increase over the next 11 years.



To keep up with industry demands and level-set driver shortages, the American Trucking Association predicts 1.1 million truck drivers need to be hired over the next decade.

The American Trucking Association estimates that total freight transportation revenue will grow 45.7% by 2031.

Truck drivers receive premium benefits like:



High Pay



Travel Opportunities



Spot Bonuses

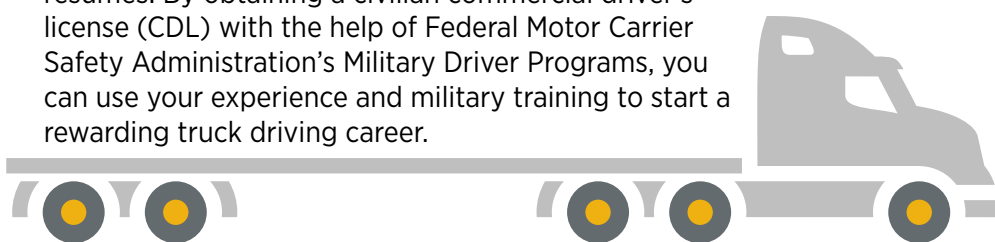


Flexible Hours



And more!

Transitioning military members and Veterans often find it difficult to translate their unique experience into the industry buzzwords that HR professionals look for on resumes. By obtaining a civilian commercial driver's license (CDL) with the help of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Military Driver Programs, you can use your experience and military training to start a rewarding truck driving career.



## Learn About FMCSA's Military Driver Programs

### Skills Test Waiver Program



You must pass three separate tests: the pre-trip inspection, road test and backing test that last hours.

**Military drivers with two years' recent experience can bypass the skills test!**

### Even Exchange Program



You must pass an hours-long timed knowledge test that can cover up to 10 sections from the commercial driver's license handbook.

**Qualified military drivers can get an exemption from the hours-long knowledge test!**

## Eligibility

### Skills Test Waiver Program:

Service members with a military license that have at least two years' experience safely driving heavy military vehicles can get a commercial driver's license without the skills test

**Even Exchange Program:** Military with certain occupational specialties can exchange their military commercial motor vehicle (CMV) training for a commercial driver's license. Available in the states listed below:



Illinois



Vermont



Georgia



Kansas



Virginia



New Mexico



Wisconsin



Missouri



Kentucky



North Carolina



South Carolina



West Virginia



North Dakota



Idaho



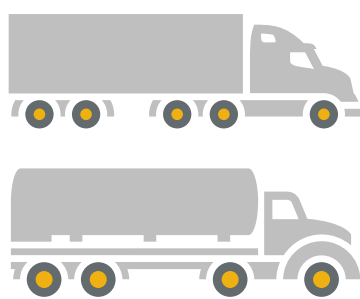
California

**Both programs require applicants to be current service members or have been in the military within the past 12 months. Applicants also need experience operating a military motor vehicle equivalent to a CMV and representative of the type of vehicle you expect to operate as a civilian truck driver.**

The below vehicle classes help us identify the highest class of vehicle you have experience driving in the military and helps predict what type of CDL class you will receive.

## Class A Vehicles

Any combination of vehicles that have a total weight of 26,001 or more pounds provided the weight of the vehicle(s) being towed is more than 10,000 pounds.



## Class B Vehicles

Any single vehicle with a GVWR of 26,001 or more pounds, including buses.



## Qualifying Occupational Specialties for Even Exchange Program



**Army**  
88M, 92F, 14T



**Air Force**  
2T1, 2F0, 3E2



**Marine Corps**  
3531



**Navy**  
EO

## Ready to apply for the Skills Test Waiver Program?

1. Complete the application for Military Skills Test Waiver.
2. Download the CDL application from your [State Driver License Agency \(SDLA\)](#).
3. Have a commanding officer or military representative sign your applications to verify your driving experience.
4. Submit your Skills Test Waiver and CDL application to your SDLA.

## Ready to apply for the Even Exchange Program?

1. Contact your State Driver License Agency for the Even Exchange Application (see state restrictions above).
2. Complete the Even Exchange Program application that your SDLA provides.
3. Have a commanding officer or military representative sign your application.
4. Submit your Even Exchange and CDL application to your SDLA.

“It was great to know that relevant skills from 10+ years of service in the Army can be applied when getting a Commercial Driver's License.”

- Evan Halladay  
Army Veteran & Truck Driver



Want to learn more?

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