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**Question:** Does the Electronic Logging Device (ELD) rule require that an ELD be able to both display electronically and print?

**Guidance**: **No. The display and print requirement serves as a backup to the data transfer methods. In the event that data transmission fails during a roadside inspection, the safety official must be able to view the required information without entering the commercial motor vehicle (CMV). This can be accomplished via either the ELD screen or a printout from the ELD, whichever is supported by the device. If a provider selects the display requirement as the backup method, the device is not required to meet the print requirement and vice versa.**

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