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Question: Are the original electronic logging device (ELD) records retained after edits are made, and accessible to drivers?

**Answer:** Yes. In accordance with 49 CFR [395.30(f)](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-395/subpart-B/section-395.30#p-395.30(f)), the original ELD records are retained even when allowed edits and annotations are made. If the driver cannot independently access the records from the ELD, the motor carrier must provide access on request. However, the right to access is limited to a six-month period, consistent with the period during which a motor carrier must retain drivers’ records of duty status (RODS).

**Contact Info:** FMCSA ELD Information, 1-800-832-5660 or ELD@dot.gov.

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