What Training Providers Need to Know

Training providers play an essential role in ensuring entry-level drivers are equipped with the knowledge to safely operate commercial motor vehicles (CMVs), for which a commercial learner’s permit (CLP) or commercial driver’s license (CDL) is required. The Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) regulations establish requirements training providers, States, and entry-level drivers must meet.

What does a training provider do?

Beginning February 7, 2022, in order to be listed on the Training Provider Registry, a training provider must:

- Provide Entry-Level Driver Training
  Training providers must self-certify that training meets the minimum Federal standards set forth in the ELDT regulations.

- Register with FMCSA
  For more details on training provider registration, see page 2.

- Submit Driver Training Certification
  Certification must be submitted by midnight of the second business day after the driver completes training.

What information will training providers be required to submit to FMCSA?

What types of training are covered by the ELDT regulations?

The training a driver must successfully complete to:

- Obtain a Class A or Class B CDL for the first time
- Upgrade an existing Class B CDL to a Class A CDL
- Obtain a school bus (S), passenger (P), or hazardous materials (H) endorsement for the first time

Driver certification information submitted to the Registry will include:

- Driver-trainee name, date of birth, and license/permit number and State of issuance
- CDL class/endorsement and type of training completed (behind-the-wheel or theory)
- Total number of clock hours spent behind-the-wheel (BTW) (if applicable)
- Training provider name, location, and TPR ID number
- Date of successful completion of training

Registered training providers will have two options for submitting:

Manual Entry
Enter manually in the Training Provider Registry web system

OR

TPR Web Service
For more information on setting up a web service interface to the Training Provider Registry, visit https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/DeveloperToolkit
Beginning February 7, 2022, any entity that provides training for entry-level drivers must be registered with FMCSA and listed on the Training Provider Registry. FMCSA will maintain the official list of registered, self-certified training providers on the Training Provider Registry website. Drivers will use this list to begin their training provider search.

What are the requirements a training provider must meet?
When registering, a training provider must self-certify that they meet the requirements in 49 CFR § 380.703.

These include requirements on:

- **CURRICULA**
  - Both theory and BTW instruction must cover all topics outlined in 49 CFR part 380 appendices A through E.

- **FACILITIES**
  - Classroom and range facilities must comply with all applicable Federal, State, and/or local requirements.

- **INSTRUCTORS**
  - Theory and BTW instructors must meet the definition in §380.605.

- **STATE LICENSING**
  - Training providers must comply with applicable laws and regulations of any State where they conduct in-person training.

- **VEHICLES**
  - Must comply with applicable Federal and State safety requirements and be in the same group and type that driver-trainees intend to operate for their CDL skills test.

*If FMCSA determines that a training provider does not meet all applicable requirements, FMCSA may remove the provider from the list of registered training providers. For the complete list of training provider requirements for entry-level driver training, consult 49 CFR part 380 subparts F and G.

Registration is open

How does a training provider register with FMCSA?

Training providers register on the Training Provider Registry website. If a training provider operates multiple locations, they must register each location.

When registering, training providers submit:

- Provider name and contact information
- Facility name and contact information
- Whether driver enrollment is open to the public or by private enrollment
- Type of training provided and average training hours
- Third-party affiliations, certifications, or accreditations
- Self-certification that they meet all requirements

Visit [https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/Provider](https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/Provider) to register as a training provider, and sign up to receive email updates from FMCSA about the Training Provider Registry.