

Farm-Related Restricted CDL Report

In our research for Farm-Related Restricted CDLs or Seasonal Ag Restricted CDLs of the 50 states, we found that only 24 states offer the Farm-Related or Seasonal License. The farm-related or seasonal licenses are only issued to farm related industries. Farm related industries are: farm retail outlets and suppliers, agrichemical businesses, custom harvesters and livestock feeders. The seasonal CDL license can only be issued for Class B or C vehicles.

Standard Qualifications for a driver to have a seasonal CDL license according to the FMCSR are as follows:

- 1. Clean driving record no loss of license (suspension, revocation, drug or alcohol violations, etc.) for any reason.
- 2. Must have held a motor vehicle license for one year.
- 3. One year of driving experience in any vehicle.
- 4. Medically qualified.
- 5. Included in a drug/alcohol testing program.
- 6. Complete Driver Qualification File.

Standard Restrictions for a driver according to the FMCSR:

- 1. Allowed only within 150 mile radius of farm center.
- 2. Must be 18 years old. (Exception: 16 years old in Idaho and South Dakota)
- 3. Limited to operating Group B and C vehicles as described in 49 CFR 383.
- 4. May not operate a Class A vehicle.
- 5. No hazardous materials endorsements allowed.
- 6. No placarded quantities of hazardous materials except for:
 - 1,000 gallons or less of diesel fuel;
 - Liquid fertilizers (including anhydrous ammonia) up to 3,000 gallons or less;
 - Solid fertilizer not transported with organic substances. (Exception: No placarded load in South Carolina)

Restrictions for a Restricted CDL

States That Have Restricted CDLs	Seasonal Periods (Valid only for 180 days for 12-month period)	CDL Knowledge & Skills Test	Driver's Age
Arkansas https://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/re venuePolicyLegalOffice/ds1992 2.pdf	180 days within a 12-month period, but shall not be broken down in increments other than calendar months. (Ex. March through May and October through December)	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Georgia https://dds.georgia.gov/sites/dds.georgia.gov/files /related_files/document/DS-1229.pdf	Only within the seasonal period indicated; licenses are valid for 180 days.	Must have 1 year experience with a good driving record. Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 - 20 years old upon completion of application and approval; "GA only" restriction
Idaho https://itd.idaho.gov/dmv/DriverServices/docume nts/cdl manual.pdf page 1-6 and 1-7; Section 1.0.6	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 days in a 12-month period and only obtained twice in a lifetime.	CDL General Knowledge Written Test, plus Air Brakes Test (if applicable).	16 years old or older
Illinois http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/ 092/092010300000960R.html	Seasonal CDL can be issued for either two 90-day periods or a 180-day period in any 12 month period.	Valid drivers license for at least 1 year. Written and road test required in a Class B vehicle.	18 years old or older
Indiana https://forms.in.gov/download.aspx?id=5468 Select "Open" Form	Seasonal period(s) must be at least 30 days but not more than 180 days. The combination of two seasonal periods must not exceed 180 days.	Waive the CDL Skills Test, but must pass the General Knowledge Test.	18 years old or older
lowa https://iowadot.gov/mvd/CDL/Restricted-CDL	Seasonal CDL up to three individual periods of validity, provided all individual periods do not exceed 180 days in any calendar year. An individual period of validity may be 60, 90, or 180 consecutive days and the licensee may add 30 days to an individual period of validity by applying for an extension.	Must have 2 years experience with good driving record. Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Kansas http://kslegislature.org Statute - Chapter 8 - Article 2 - Section 8-2, 146	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 consecutive days in each 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older

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Kentucky https://transportation.ky.gov/Organizational-Resources/Forms/TC%2094-17.pdf	Seasonal CDL can be issued for 60, 120, or 180 days in any 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test. Pass the vision test for commercial drivers. Must have KY motor vehicle operator for at least 1 year.	18 years old or older
Louisiana http://web01.dps.louisiana.gov/Omv1.nsf/\$print/3 3586A4DB151563C862564AE0054ECFC?OpenDocu ment	Cannot exceed 180-days in any calendar year.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Michigan https://www.michigan.gov/documents/cdlmanul 16090 7.pdf Section 1 - Introduction page 9	Seasonal CDL valid 180-days from date issued or valid for the seasonal periods April 2 through June 20 and September 2 through November 20.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Minnesota https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/forms- documents/Documents/SeasonalFarmCDLWaiver.p df	Seasonal CDL may not exceed 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Missouri https://dor.mo.gov/forms/4008.pdf	Seasonal CDL may not exceed 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Montana http://www.mtrules.org/gateway/ruleno.asp?RN=23.3.523	Seasonal period is March 15 to September 11.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Nebraska https://dmv.nebraska.gov/dl/seasonal-permit	Seasonal permit is valid for 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Skills Test.	18 years old or older
New Mexico http://law.justia.com/codes/new- mexico/2013/chapter-66/article-5/part- 1a/section-66-5-62.1	Seasonal period is valid for 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
North Dakota http://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/driverslicense/se asonal.htm	Seasonal CDL is valid for one 180-day or two 90-day licenses in a 12-month period.	Must have 2 years experience with good driving record. Meet medical and visual requirements for CDL.	18 years old or older
Ohio https://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/bmv2170 .pdf	Seasonal CDL may not exceed 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older

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South Carolina https://www.lawserver.com/law/state/south- carolina/sc-code/south_carolina_code_56-1-2085	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 days from the date of issue in 12-month period.	Have a valid SC Class E (2) or F (3) driver's license or successfully completes the required written and skill test for a Class E (2) license. At least 1 year driving experience.	18 years old or older
South Dakota http://www.sdtruckinfo.com/docs/mchandbook_ch ap3.pdf Motor Carrier Handbook Chapter 3 page 20 - 21	A Restricted CDL cannot be issued for more than 180 days from the date of application.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	Must be at least 16 years old and have a good driving record for the 2 most recent years.
Tennessee http://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/111/Bill/SB0517.pdf	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 days from the date of issue in 12-month period.	Vision Test must be conducted.	18 years old or older
Texas https://www.dps.texas.gov/internetforms/Forms/D L-7C.pdf Prologue Page ii - iii	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 days in each 12-month period.	20 question Class A- B Rules Test and a Skills Test in a Class B vehicle. Knowledge and SkillsTest waived for a Class C.	18 years old or older
Vermont https://dmv.vermont.gov/document/farm-related- services-industries-license File: VL-052-FRSI License Application.pdf	Seasonal CDL may not exceed 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive the CDL Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Virginia https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title46.2/chapter 3/section46.2-341.10:1/	Seasonal CDL may not exceed 180 consecutive days in a 12-month period.	Waive Knowledge and Skills Test.	18 years old or older
Wisconsin https://wisconsindot.gov/Documents/dmv/shared/bds201.pdf	Seasonal CDL is valid for 180 days or less per calendar year.	Requires a Knowledge Test on Farm Service CDL Requirements.	18 years old or older

States Confirmed NOT to Offer Restricted CDLs as of 3-01-2020:

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Washington, West Virginia and Wyoming.