



Skills Performance Evaluation – Information and Links

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Your physician has marked the SPE box on your Federal Medical card. Having this box marked indicates that you are required to apply for a Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) certificate through FMCSA. Drivers with physical impairments which affect their ability to safely operate CMVs according to their medical examiners, or missing limbs (e.g., a hand or finger, an arm, foot or leg), are required to obtain SPE certificates.

The Skill Performance Evaluation program is for CMV drivers who drive in interstate commerce. The SPE certification allows drivers with missing or impaired limbs to drive CMVs across state lines if they have been fitted with (and are wearing) the correct prosthetic device, and the driver can demonstrate the ability to drive the truck safely by completing on-and off-road activities. If the driver passes the driving test, he or she will receive a SPE certificate.

For more information about the SPE program and how to apply. Please go to the following website.

- <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/medical/driver-medical-requirements/skill-performance-evaluation-certificate-program>

The following link contains the SPE application packet. This will need to be completed and returned to FMCSA before any testing or license issuance will be permitted.

- <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/medical/driver-medical-requirements/new-driver-application-package>

You may also call the FMCSA regional service center or email them at:
Midwestern Service Center Phone: (708) 283-3523 Email: MSCPE@dot.gov

IMPORTANT: Once you receive an approved *SPE certificate* (from FMCSA), you will be administered a Commercial Driver License (CDL) skills test by a representative of FMCSA or a trained representative from Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles (WI DMV).

You must pass the SPE skills test to re-obtain your commercial privileges.

Additional Wisconsin CDL knowledge and skills testing may be required depending on the medical condition and circumstances. Wisconsin DMV will inform you if additional testing is required.

If additional State testing is required, you will be required to take a Full CDL skills test in the highest class of commercial vehicle you intend to operate. The test will include the following:

1. Vehicle Inspection
2. Basic Control Skills (backing skills)
3. Road Test

For information about what to expect on the CDL knowledge and skills test, please refer to the Wisconsin Commercial Driver's Manual online at: wisconsindot.gov/Documents/dmv/shared/bds356-cdl-manual.pdf.