

# COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE

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Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) operators are a vital part of the system that moves goods throughout the United States and neighboring countries. CMV operators transport goods and passengers using large vehicles that require special training and licensing. To obtain a Commercial Driver's License (CDL), which is required to operate a CMV, drivers must pass both knowledge and skills tests specific to CMVs. Some CMVs require additional license qualifications such as doubles/triples, hazardous materials, air brakes, or passenger endorsements. CMV operators must pass a physical and adhere to drug and alcohol regulations. For more information, please visit the VVC Commercial Driver's License (<https://www.vvc.edu/cdl/>) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Commercial Driver's License Program (<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/registration/commercial-drivers-license/>) websites.

## Commercial Drivers License Courses

### **CDL 041 Commercial Driver Training Permit Preparation (0.0 Units)**

Enables students to become familiar with regulations governing the operation of commercial vehicles and safe operational practices. This course follows state and federal guidelines for commercial driver training programs and is approved by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration as an Entry Level Driver Training (ELDT) program. Participation in this course does not guarantee students will earn their Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP). Upon completion of this course, students must pass the written CLP test at a California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office. Students must provide DMV with a number of documents including a 10-year driver history and a medical clearance. Check Commercial Driver's Licenses - California DMV for more information about applying for a CLP or CDL.

Lecture Hours: 54.0

Transfer: Not transferable

### **CDL 042 Commercial Driver Training Range Operations (0.0 Units)**

This course is designed to prepare students for the range operations section of the California CMV License test. Students will practice moving forward, backing, parallel parking, backing into a dock, and other operations typical of a commercial driver. Students will also demonstrate proficiency performing pre-trip inspections and the required air brake system test. Students must have a California Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) prior to starting this class. Instructors (at their discretion) may allow students with a CLP test scheduled to start the course but students will not be allowed to operate CMVs until they have passed the CLP test.

Lecture Hours: 27.0; Lab Hours: 54.0

Transfer: Not transferable

### **CDL 043 Commercial Driver Training on Road Skills (0.0 Units)**

Students in this course will demonstrate safe CMV operation by driving a CMV with an instructor on public and private roads. Students must have a California Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) prior to enrolling in this course.

Lecture Hours: 27.0; Lab Hours: 68.0

Transfer: Not transferable