

# Military Knowledge Test Waivers for CDL

06-28-2019

Beginning Monday, July 1st, ITD will begin processing military knowledge test waivers for current and former service members obtaining their CDL. Currently, military waivers are processed for the skills test only. Based on the driver's qualifying experience, current and former service members may be eligible to have their skills test or their skills and knowledge tests waived, including the general knowledge, air brakes, combination, tank (N), passenger (P), and hazardous materials (H) tests.

Please note:

- The doubles/triples (T) knowledge test or the knowledge and skills tests for school bus (S) shall not be waived.
- The hazardous materials (H) endorsement test must be taken for every subsequent renewal.



### Application for Military CDL Skills Test Waiver

ITD 3141 (Rev. 1/14)  
itd.idaho.gov

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) provides an exemption from the requirement to take a skills test with a CDL Examiner for current or recently separated military personnel with recent, verified experience operating heavy duty truck while in military service.

#### Applying For A Military Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Skills Test Waiver

- Application must be made to ITD during active Military Service or within one year of separation from Military Service.
- This exemption is for the Skills Test portion of CDL licensure only.
- The Military member must still take and pass written knowledge tests before the CDL will be issued.
- The applicant must possess a valid Idaho Driver's License at the time of application.
- Heavy vehicle driving experience must be current (within two years of date of application).

#### Required Documents To Submit To ITD

1. **Completed ITD Form 3141, Application for Military CDL Skills Test Waiver**, to upgrade to a CDL or upgrade your current CDL privilege. The Commanding Officer's Certification of Commercial Driving Experience (page 2) must be completed by your Provost Marshall, Company Commander, Department Head or OIC.
2. **Copy of DD-2 (Active Duty Military ID Card) or DD-214 (Honorable Discharge document)**
3. **Copy of Military Driver's License that clearly defines** the types of vehicles you are/were authorized to drive.
4. **If No Driver's License or Not Clearly Defined**, additional documentation is required such as:
  - a) **Verification of Military Experience and Training Document (VMET)** that clearly defines the types of vehicle you are/were authorized to drive, that lists the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR), Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), and if the vehicles are equipped with air brakes that you are/were licensed to operate in the military (the form can be obtained by military personnel only by visiting [www.dmdc.osd.mil](http://www.dmdc.osd.mil)), or;
  - b) **Documentation of the types of vehicles you operated or are/were licensed to operate in the military**, that lists the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR), Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), and if the vehicles are equipped with air brakes that you are/were licensed to operate in the military. The explanations need to be on military letterhead, signed by your Provost Marshall, Company Commander, Department Head or OIC.
5. **This Instruction Page** - Fill out and return with your application and required documents. Include:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date Sent to ITD \_\_\_\_\_

Submit the completed application and supporting documents using one of the following methods:

**Mail to:** Idaho Transportation Department  
Driver's License Section, Attn: CDL Specialist  
PO Box 7129  
Boise, ID 83707-1129

**Fax to:** (208) 334-8586 - Attn: CDL Specialist

**Scan and E-mail to:** [dmail@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:dmail@itd.idaho.gov), include a coversheet marked attn.: CDL Specialist

**Please allow 10 days after submission for your application to be reviewed.** You will be notified if your training is acceptable for exemption from the CDL skills test requirement. After the exemption has been approved, the CDL knowledge tests must be taken at one of the county driver's license offices before the CDL can be issued. If you have questions, call (208) 334-8294.

**We appreciate your military service and look forward to helping you!**

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### Application for Even Exchange CDL Military Knowledge and Skills Test Waiver

ITD 3143 (Rev. 06-11)  
itd.idaho.gov

As a participant in FMCSA's Even Exchange Program (Military CDL II), the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) provides exemptions from the requirements to take both **knowledge and skills tests** with a CDL Examiner for certain current or recently separated military personnel with certain verifiable experience operating heavy duty trucks while in military service.

#### Applying For A Military Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Knowledge and Skills Test Waiver

- Application must be made to ITD during active Military Service or within one year of separation from Military Service.
- This exemption is for **BOTH** the CDL knowledge test(s) and the CDL skills test; see ITD 3141 for a skills-only waiver.
- The applicant must possess a valid Idaho Driver's License at the time of application.
- Heavy vehicle driving experience must be current (within two years of date of application).

#### Required Documents To Submit To ITD

1. **Completed ITD Form 3143, Application for Even Exchange CDL Military Knowledge and Skills Test Waiver**. The Commanding Officer's Certification of Commercial Driving Experience (page 2) must be completed by your Provost Marshall, Company Commander, Department Head or OIC.
2. **Copy of DD-2 (Active Duty Military ID Card) or DD-214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty)**
3. **Copy of Military Driver's License that clearly defines** the types of vehicles you are/were authorized to drive.
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