

281A.120 Issuance of commercial driver's instruction permit.

- (1) A commercial driver's instruction permit may be issued to an individual twenty-one (21) years and older who:
 - (a) Has complied with the criminal history background check required by KRS 281A.300;
 - (b) Holds a valid Kentucky Class D operator's license;
 - (c) Is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; and
 - (d) Has passed the vision and knowledge tests required for a commercial driver's license of the class vehicle to be driven. Instruction permits shall be class specific.
- (2) A commercial driver's instruction permit may be issued to a resident eighteen (18) years of age who:
 - (a) Has complied with the criminal history background check required by KRS 281A.300;
 - (b) Holds a valid Kentucky Class D operator's license;
 - (c) Is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; and
 - (d) Has passed the vision and knowledge tests required for a commercial driver's license of the class vehicle to be driven.

A commercial driver's license instruction permit issued under this subsection shall be valid only for the operation of a commercial motor vehicle in intrastate commerce that is not a school bus or a vehicle hauling hazardous material. The instruction permit shall be class specific and shall contain an "I" restriction noting that the commercial driver is limited to Kentucky intrastate commerce.

- (3) A commercial driver's instruction permit shall not be issued to a resident for a period to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days. Only one (1) renewal or reissuance may be granted within a two (2) year period for the same class of vehicle. The holder of a commercial driver's instruction permit may, unless otherwise disqualified, drive a commercial motor vehicle on the highways of Kentucky only when accompanied by the holder of a commercial driver's license valid for the type of vehicle driven and who occupies a seat beside the permit holder for the purpose of giving instruction in driving the commercial motor vehicle.
- (4) A person who is not a resident who is enrolled in a program offering commercial truck driving under the Kentucky Community and Technical College System or a proprietary school licensed under KRS Chapter 165A may be issued a provisional Class D license that allows an applicant to include a commercial driver's instruction permit into a single license that shall be valid for ninety (90) days. The fee for a provisional Class D license shall be the same as for a regular Class D license. A provisional Class D license may be renewed for one (1) ninety (90) day period. A person issued a provisional Class D license under this subsection shall be required to convert the license to a regular Kentucky CDL or return to the person's state of domicile and transfer the Kentucky provisional Class D license to his or her state of domicile. A provisional Class D license issued under this subsection shall not be

converted to a regular Class D license unless the applicant satisfies all Kentucky residency requirements. A commercial driver's instruction permit shall contain, in addition to other information required by the cabinet, those requirements set forth in KRS 281A.170. The commercial driver's instruction permit shall not contain the permit holder's Social Security number but shall include a color photo of the permit holder.

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