



South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE CHECKLIST

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These are the items a Commercial Driver's License applicant must bring to the DMV for a skills test.

1. Learner's Permit and License

- a. Provide a valid SC Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP).
- b. Must have held the CLP for at least 14 days prior to taking the skills test.
- c. Provide a valid base SC Driver's License or SC Commercial Driver's License.

2. Vehicle

- a. Vehicle must be representative of the class license for which the customer is applying.
- b. Vehicle must be in safe operating condition.
- c. Vehicle must contain the following items:
 - i. Current vehicle registration card.
 - ii. Manufacturer's Plate affixed to the vehicle indicating the GVWR/GCWR. Must be legible.
 - iii. Current Annual Federal Inspection Sticker, if required*. A combination vehicle must have separate stickers for the truck and towed unit.

3. When Banking Scores

- a. Applicant must take all three portions of the skills test within 180 days from the issuance of the learner's permit.
- b. If the customer is not able to use the same vehicle in which he passed the pre-trip portion of the test, the vehicle must:
 - i. meet the requirements in item #2 above, and
 - ii. match the vehicle used during the pre-trip inspection when it comes to the items listed below:
 - ✓ Air Brakes
 - ✓ Auto or Manual Transmission
 - ✓ Bus/Truck/Truck Tractor

NOTE: If the vehicle items above do not match, the applicant will be required to retake all portions of the skills test.

* Exceptions to the Inspection Sticker Regulation

1. Federal Regulation 396.23 allows for a State inspection sticker instead of the Federal sticker, as long as the state inspection is the equivalent or stricter than the Federal inspection.
 - a. **States** - A federal inspection sticker is not required if the vehicle has an inspection sticker or documentation proving a current inspection has been performed from one of the following states qualified under this ruling:

Alabama	Louisiana	New Hampshire	Texas
California	Maine	New Jersey	Utah
Connecticut	Maryland	New York	Vermont
District of Columbia	Massachusetts	Ohio	Virginia
Hawaii	Michigan	Pennsylvania	West Virginia
Illinois	Minnesota	Rhode Island	Wisconsin
 - b. **Canadian Provinces and Yukon Territory** - A federal inspection sticker is not required if the vehicle has an inspection sticker or documentation proving a current inspection was performed from any of the Canadian Provinces or the Yukon Territory. Their periodic inspection programs are as effective as the Federal requirements according to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.
2. The following vehicles are always exempt from periodic inspections:
 - a. Government Entities (plate classes SG, CG, MG, RG)
 - b. Public School Buses (not private schools or church buses)