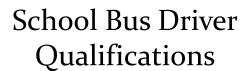


Discussion Topics

- School Bus Driver Qualifications
- σ School Bus Driver Safety Training Program
- School Bus Safety Standards
- Advertising Requirements





- Employment Qualifications
- Medical Qualifications & Request for Special Consideration
- Minimum Driving Record Qualifications
- O Understanding an MVR





At a minimum, to become employed and maintain employment status as a school bus driver, a person must meet the following requirements:







- Possess a valid CDL with applicable endorsements (P & S endorsements)
- Meet the medical qualifications
- Maintain an acceptable driving record
- Maintain an acceptable criminal history record (see Chapter 22 of the Texas Education Code).
- Possess a valid Texas School Bus Driver Safety Training Certificate or a valid Enrollment Certificate





Medical Qualifications

(TAC 14.12)

A person shall not drive a school bus, school activity bus, or multifunction school activity bus unless he/she is physically qualified to do so.

Each school bus driver shall undergo and successfully complete an annual physical exam in accordance with the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 391.41 and 391.43.

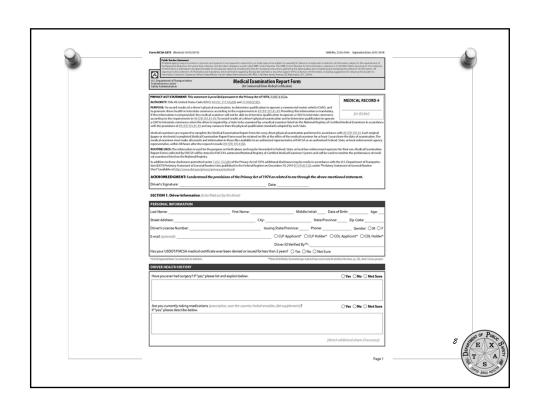


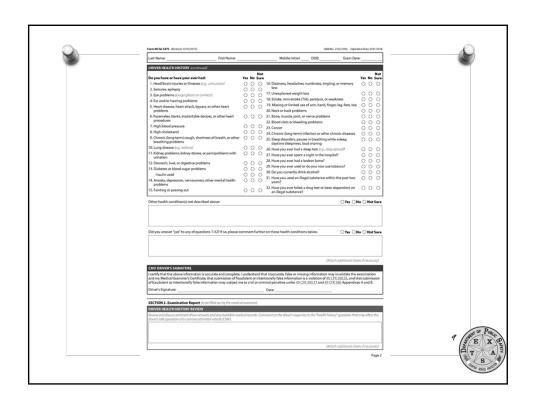


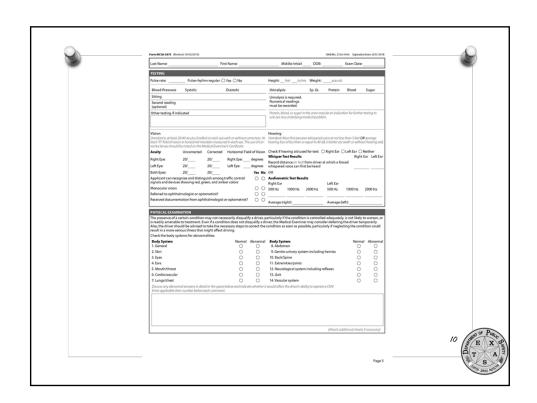
The results of the examination shall be noted on the Medical Examination Report Form for Commercial Driver Medical Certification as published by the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration I Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, art 391.43.

A driver shall not operate a school bus, school activity bus, or multifunction school activity bus unless he/she has in their possession the original, or a photographic copy, of a valid medical examiner's certificate stating that he/she is physically qualified.





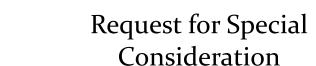




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Any person disqualified on the basis of the medical examination may request special consideration for a waiver as a school bus driver.

In requesting consideration, the applicant must submit in writing clean and convincing evidence supporting that his or her functions are not impaired to such an extent as to reduce the applicant's physical and mental capabilities to safely operate a school bus, school activity bus or MFSAB.





The following documents must be submitted to the department for each waiver request:

- o Current medical exam report and medical card
- Texas Medical Advisory Board Release Authorization form (1 copy for each physician submitting a medical opinion or medical records)
- Written letter from the applicant requesting special consideration
- Letter from the prospective employer
- Letter(s) containing medical opinion(s) and/or medical records from any examining physician







Commercial Driver License Self Certification

- Federal Regulations along with the State of Texas Administrative Rules are requiring a commercial driver to certify regarding the type of commercial motor vehicle operation they drive in or expect to drive in with their commercial driver license.
- March 2012 DPS started a soft launch
- o January 2014 Deadline
- January 2015 Implemented enforcement







Non-Excepted INTERstate (Category 1)

School district driver that drives other commercial vehicles that are regulated. Must submit a valid medical card.

Excepted INTERstate (Category 2)

Drives for the school district only. P restriction will be added to the license.

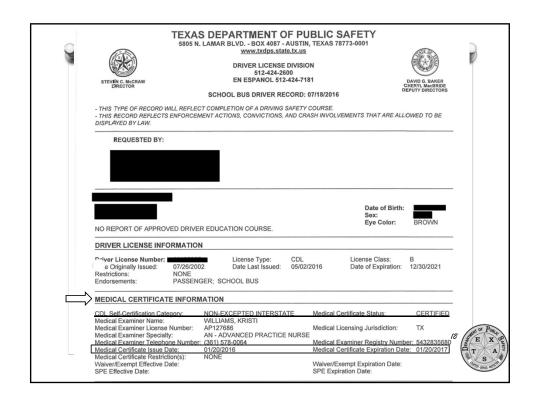
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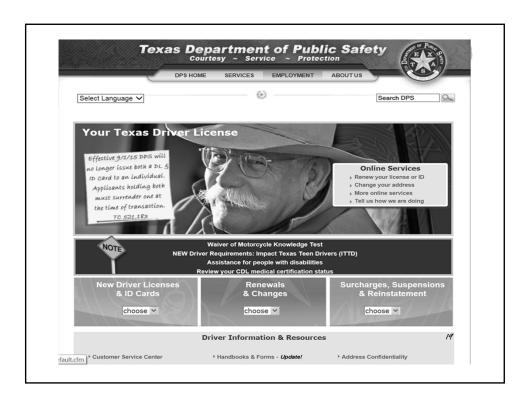
School district driver that drives other commercial vehicles that are regulated. K restriction will be added to the license. Must submit a valid medical card.

Excepted INTRAstate (Category 4)

Drives for the school district only. P & K restrictions will both be added to the license.













Minimum Driving Record Qualifications

- School bus drivers must maintain an acceptable driving record.
- Employer is required to run annual driving records on ALL school bus drivers.
- Penalty Points Tables are used for determining how many points are to be assessed on a driving record.







- In determining a person's eligibility to drive a school bus, any person who has accumulated 10 or more penalty points shall be considered INELIGIBLE to transport students until such time as he/she may become qualified.
- Your school district can have a policy which could be less than 10 points.







- ∂ Table I − 1 penalty point assessed for 3 years

 (Driving Safety Course, Defective tail lights, No stop lamps)
- ∂ Table II 2 penalty points assessed for 3 years

 (Accidents)
- o Table III − 3 penalty points assessed for 3 years

 (Speeding, Improper turn, Fail to yield right of way, No seat belt)
- o Table IV − 10 penalty points assessed for 10 years
 (DWI, Driving while license invalid, Boating while intoxicated)
- o Table V − 10 penalty points assessed for 10 years

 (ALR Suspensions-failure or refusal, ALR CMV Disqualifications)





Updated Points Table

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⊘TABLE II & V

Endorsement Violations

None





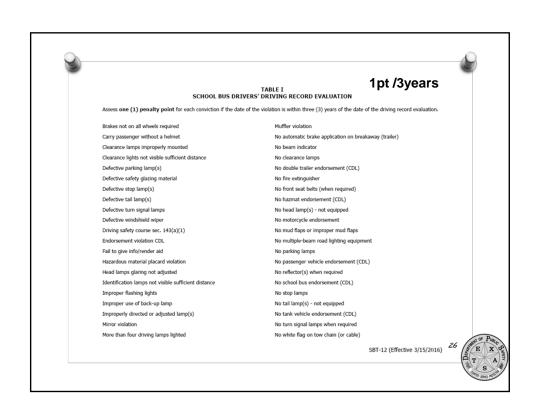
Updated Points Table

⊘TABLE III

- Ø Open container DRIVER
- Operate SB w/door open
- o Use wireless device in bus
- o Use wireless device in zone
- Standing passenger on bus
- Ohild passenger safety seat
- Disregard warning signs
- Fail to signal turn
- Failed to signal lane change

- Oriving while impaired
- Intoxication assault MV









2pts /3years

Assess two (2) penalty points if the date of occurrence is within three (3) years of the date of the driving record evaluation. Persons disqualified because of penalty points assessed for crash* involvement shall be notified of their right to a review. (See below for review procedure)

Accident Accident non-incapacitating injury
Accident citation issued Accident non-injury
Accident fatal Accident no citation issued
Accident incapacitating injury Accident possible injury

REVIEW PROCEDURE FOR DISQUALIFICATION APPEAL (2 point penalty assessments under Table II)

Two (2) points shall automatically be assessed for a crash involvement occurring within three (3) years of the date of the driver record evaluation which appears on the driver history record. Applicants disqualified on the basis of penalty points assessed for crash involvements appearing on their driving record may request a review by the person(s) designated by the employer to determine if they were a cause of the crash(es). The applicant must identify the specific crash involvement(s) to be reviewed. Request a copy of the crash report(s) on the approved form. Mail the form to Crash Records, Texas Department of Transportation at the address listed on the form.

The designated person(s) shall review information pertinent to the crash(es), which should include the Texas Peace Officer's Crash Report. In examining this report, consideration of such items as Charges Filed, Investigator's Narrative of What Happened, Dagram, and Factors/Conditions Contributing to the Crash should assist in making a determination as to whether or not the assessment of penalty points is appropriate.

If the designated person(s) reviews the crash report and any other pertinent information and determines that the applicant was not a cause of the crash(es), no penalty points should be assessed. If the designated person(s) determines that the applicant was a cause of the crash(es), two (2) penalty points shall be assessed for each crash.

*The terms "crash" and "accident" shall be used interchangeably.

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TABLE III SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS' DRIVING RECORD EVALUATION

Disregarded lane control signal

3pts /3years

Assess three (3) penalty points for each conviction if the date of violation is within three (3) years of the date of the driving record evaluation.

Allow passenger to stand/sit improperly on a school bus Cut corner left turn

Bus driver failed to activate warning signal/equipment Cut in after passing

Bus failed to stop at RR crossing Did not use designated lane or direction

Bus shifting gears while crossing RR tracks Display fictitious driver license

Careless driving Disregard solid green turn signal arrow

Carry motorcycle passenger under 5; except in side car Disregard warning signs or barricades

Changed lane when unsafe Disregarded flashing vellow signal (at stop sign, etc.)

Child passenger safety seat offense Disregarded flashing yellow signal

Coasting (truck, truck tractor or bus, specify) with clutch disengaged Disregarded no lane change sign

Consume alcohol while driving Disregarded no passing zone

Crossed RR with heavy equipment without notice Disregarded warning sign at construction

Crossed RR with heavy equipment without stop (or safety)

Drawbar over 15 feet

Crossing fire hose without permission

Drive into block where fire engine stopped

Crossing physical barrier Driving around barricades

Cut across driveway to make turn Driver opened door in moving traffic

Disregarded police officer Drove center lane (not passing, not turning left)

Disregarded RR crossing gate or flagman Drove on or across streetcar track where prohibited

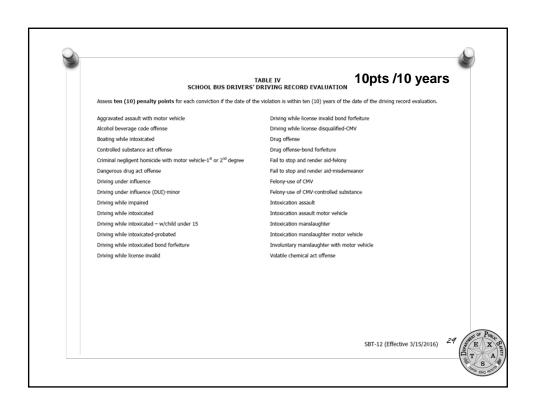
Disregarded signal at RR crossing Drove on sidewalk

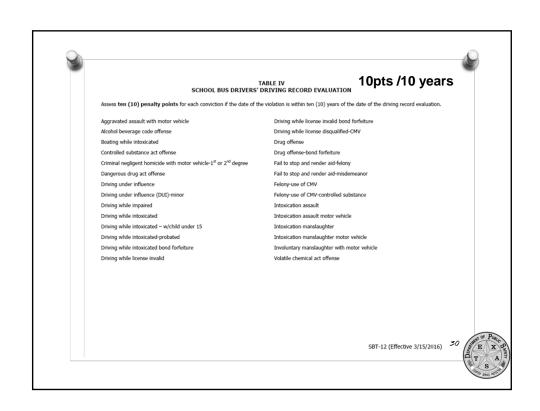
Disregarded traffic control device Drove on wrong side—RR crossing

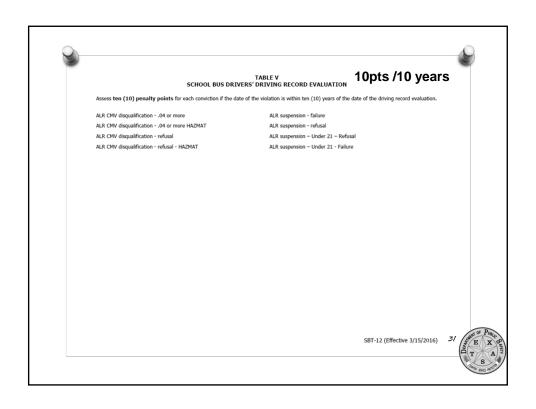
Disregarded turn marks at intersection Drove on wrong side of approaching bridge

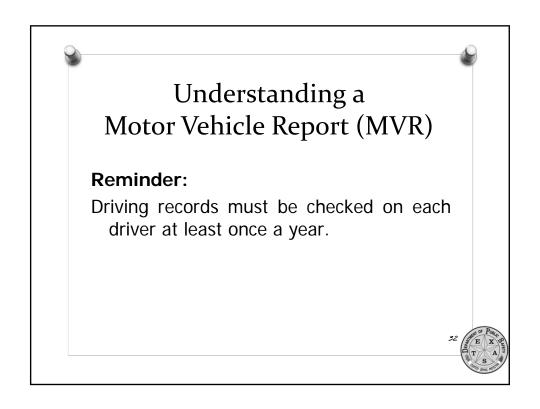
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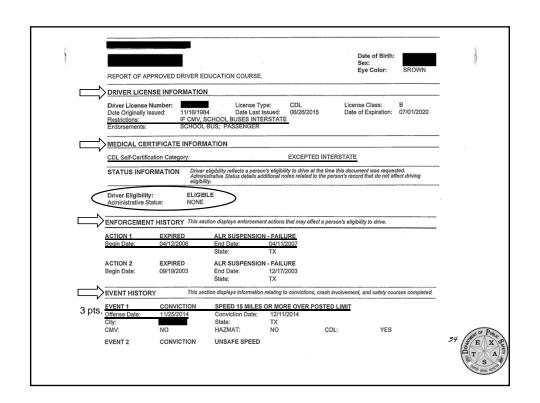


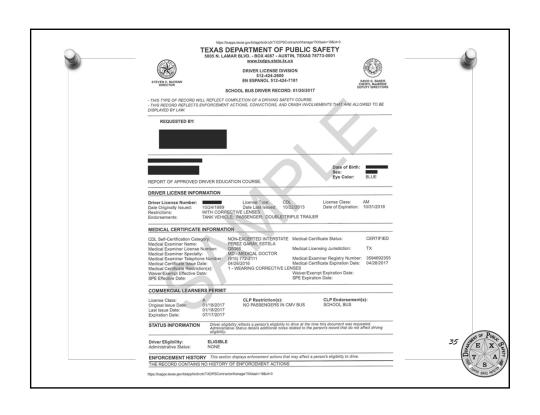


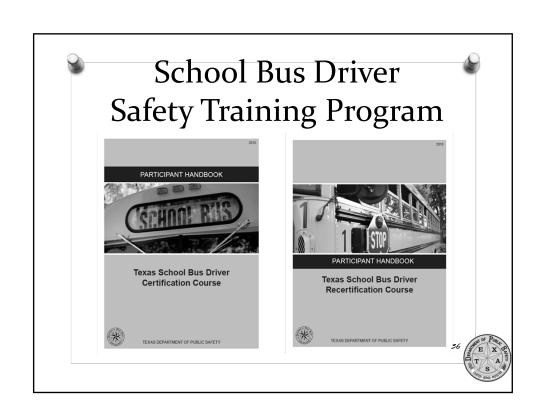














Applicability

- The school bus driver safety training program is applicable to ALL operators transporting schoolchildren in a school bus, school activity bus, and multifunction school activity bus.
- Not applicable to a mechanic or other occasional driver who only operates an empty school bus, school activity bus, or multifunction school activity bus.





Driver Certification & Recertification Course

- o To obtain full initial school bus driver certification, a person must satisfactorily complete the certification course.
- o Driver certification will remain valid for 3 years
- Every school bus driver must hold a valid certificate stating they have completed or are enrolled in the course.
- Any driver whose certification has expired shall <u>not</u> operate a school bus, school activity bus or MFSAB.







- o To avoid a lapse, the recertification must be completed prior to expiration. Once expired, you have 12 months to complete the recertification course. Failure to complete the recertification course during this time frame will require the 20 hour certification course to be taken again.
- o If the recertification course is taken more than 180 days before the expiration date, certification will be renewed for 3 years from the course completion date.
- o If the recertification course is taken during the expired 12 month interval, certification will be renewed for 3 years from the course completion date.
- ø Issuance of an enrollment certification during this dormant interval will require completion of the certification course all over again.





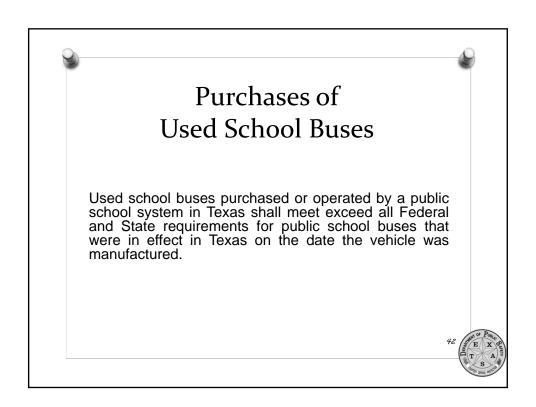


Enrollment Certificate

- o Must register for the first available 20 hr. course
- Only valid for 180 days or less
- Minimum of 5 years must lapse between issuance of consecutive enrollment certificates
- Enrollment certificates issued to cover an expired certification will require the 20 hour course be taken again. No longer eligible for the 8 hour course.











Prior to the sale, the dealer selling the used school bus must provide the school district with:

- o Documentation of their "Dealer General Distinguishing Number"
- Documentation of what state the used bus was originally manufactured
- A copy of the specifications the bus was originally manufactured to
- Documentation of all modifications made to each bus to bring it into compliance with Texas specifications for the date the bus was originally manufactured







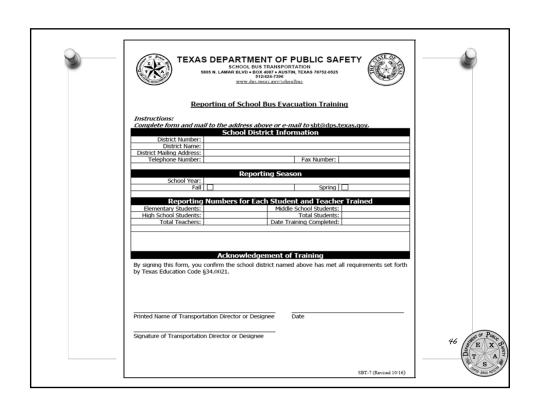
- Public school districts or contractors must notify the department in writing within 30 days of purchasing any used school bus with the following information:
 - Date of purchase and delivery
 - Name of the dealer and dealer's General Distinguishing Number
 - Who manufactured the bus, date of manufacture, and to which states' specifications the bus was manufactured
- Any used buses found out of compliance with Texas specifications, will be placed out of service by the vehicle's owner until brought into compliance.



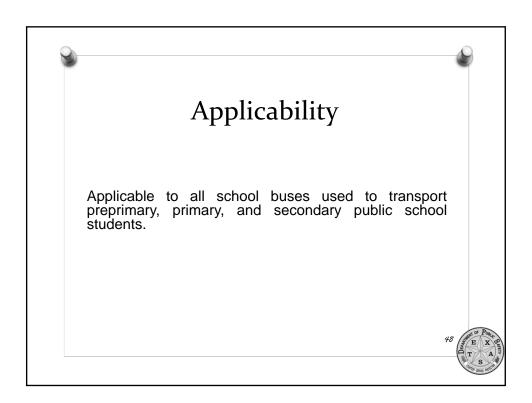


- School districts and charter schools are encouraged to make a good faith effort to ensure that all students, teachers, and appropriate staff receive the school bus emergency evacuation training at least once each school year.
- A record of each training session conducted must be submitted to the department no later than 30 days after each session is complete.













Material and Attachment

- Advertisements must be of a durable material or paint
- o If removed or damaged, bus shall be returned to its original color or the advertisement shall be replaced
- o Advertisements shall not extend from the bus body
- No brackets or hardware shall be used to hold the advertisements



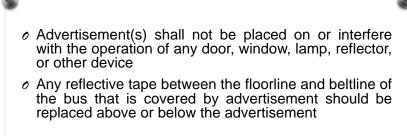




Location

- The location of the advertisement(s) shall:
 - Left rear quarter-panel of the bus, at least 3 inches behind the rear wheel & not closer than 4 inches from the lower edge of the window line
 - Above the windows on the right & left sides of the bus, near the rear of the bus & not to extend forward of the rear axle.
- Advertisement(s) shall be at least 3 inches from any required lettering, lamp, wheel well, reflector or emergency exit location









The maximum covered area allowed for advertising is as follows:

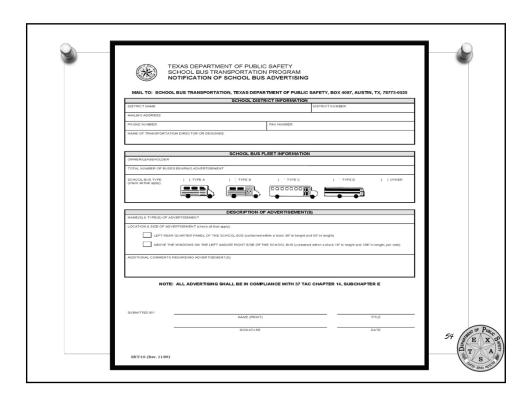
- σ Left rear quarter panel contained within a block 30in. in height & 90in. in length
- Above the windows (both sides) contained within a block 18in. in height & 108in. in length per side.



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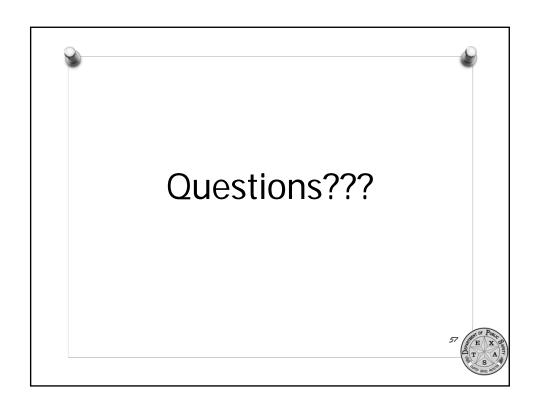
- Report advertising to the department on or before September 1 of each year using SBT-10 form
- o Report any crash involving a bus that bears advertising, no more than 5 days from the date of the crash using SBT- 9 form
- - o Fax: (512) 424-2238

 - Mailed: School Bus Transportation, Texas Department of Public Safety, P.O. Box 4087, Austin, Texas 78773-0525



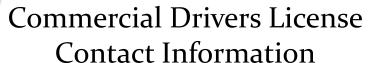
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