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Memorandum:

Effective February 7, 2022 the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) established federal regulations requiring entry-level drivers to complete entry level driver training (ELDT) when they are seeking a Class A or B CDL for the first time, upgrading to a Class A or B CDL or obtaining a passenger (P), school bus (S) or a hazardous material (H) endorsement for the first time. Entry-level driver applicants must obtain training from a training provider listed on the Training Provider Registry (TPR), which is a system created and managed by FMCSA. The system will list all ELDT providers that are approved by FMCSA and allow ELDT providers to submit ELDT completion information to the TPR.

Entry-level drivers attempting to take a CDL skills test to receive a Class A CDL, Class B CDL, passenger (P) endorsement, or school bus (S) endorsement must successfully complete a mandatory theory (knowledge) and a behind-the-wheel (BTW) training provided by a training provider listed on the TPR. To obtain a Hazardous Materials (H) endorsement, the entry-level driver must complete mandatory theory (knowledge) training provided by a training provider listed on the TPR prior to taking the knowledge test for the Hazardous Material (H) endorsement.

The requirements do not apply to individuals holding a valid CDL or an H, P, or S endorsement issued prior to February 7, 2022; individuals who obtain a commercial learner's permit (CLP) before the compliance date of February 7, 2022 are not subject to ELDT requirements (additional training) as long as they obtain a CDL before the expiration date of the CLP or renewed CLP.

More information will be forthcoming. In the meantime, customers can be referred to the DMV website at <https://dmv.ny.gov/commercial-drivers/entry-level-driver-training-faq> for a list of FAQs.

A list of Training Providers can be found on the FMCSA website at <https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov>

SUNY Canton offers CDL Class A training only. The website is <https://canton.edu/crest/cdl.html>