



Military Personnel Exemption

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) may waive the required skills test for select veterans or active-duty personnel of the U.S. Armed Forces who were or currently are truck drivers during their military services. The applicant must apply within one year of discharge and meet all the requirements.

All military applicants must pass the required written test(s); prove that he/she is regularly employed (or was regularly employed) in a military position requiring operation of a CMV within one year; and certify that during the two years immediately preceding the application for an Indiana CDL he/she meets the following requirements:

- Has not had more than one license (except for a military license).
- Has not had any license suspended, revoked, or cancelled.
- Has not had any convictions for any type of motor vehicle for the disqualifying offenses contained in § 383.51(b).
- Has not had more than one conviction for any type of motor vehicle for serious traffic violations contained in § 383.51(c); and
- Has not had any conviction for a violation of military, State or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control (other than a parking violation) arising in connection with any traffic accident and has no record of an accident in which he/she was at fault.
- Was operating a vehicle representative of the CMV the driver applicant operates or expects to operate.

Steps to Apply

1. Visit a BMV branch, pass required written tests(s) and have Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) issued.
2. Collect necessary documentation:
 - Complete, save and print the "Application for Military Skills Test Waiver" form; Secure the signature of the applicant's Commanding Officer, or responsible person in his/her military chain of command, attesting to the applicant's military driving experience; and
 - Provide copy of DD214 or proof currently active duty; and
 - Provide letter from commander stating applicant has operated a CMV for at least one year immediately preceding discharge from the military; and
 - A copy of your military license.
3. Use one of the following options to submit the completed application packet and contact phone number.
 - **Fax:** 317-974-1615.
 - **Drop documents off at any BMV branch;** or
 - **Mail to:**
Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Attn: CDL Programs
100 North Senate Avenue
IGCN, Room N 481
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Applications will be processed, and the applicant will be contacted once the submitted documents are verified.