

CDL DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

To obtain or renew your Commercial Driver License (CDL), you need to prove your legal presence in the United States and show that Arizona is your home state. These requirements come from Arizona Revised Statutes 28-3153(D) and FMCSA regulation 49 CFR 383.71.

Important: Requirements may change without notice.

What You Need to Bring:

All CDL Applicants

- ☒ Current CDL or state-issued motor vehicle record (issued within 30 days)
- ☒ Proof of domicile


Commercial Learner's Permit Applicants; in addition to the items above, you also need:

- ☒ Arizona driver license
- ☒ Proof of one year driving experience

Medical Examiner's Certificate

Your certified medical examiner will submit your Medical Examiner's Certificate (MEC) electronically. Allow your examiner 24 hours to submit it. **Exception:** If you are restricted to driving only within Arizona, you may bring the completed MEC and long form to MVD.

- All documents must be originals or certified copies, in English, certified by the issuing agency.

Primary One (1) Document Required 1	Social Security Number	Arizona Residency Two (2) Documents Required 2
ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS (must include Name and Date of Birth)	You must provide your Social Security Number on the DL/ID Application for verification.	Documents or mail issued from a business, organization or government agency that contain:
<input type="checkbox"/> Birth Certificate - Original or certified copy of a birth Certificate (including "Government Use Only" birth certificates) issued by any state, territory or possession of the US (Hospital records/certificates and California Certified Abstracts of Birth are not acceptable.)	Acceptable Name Change Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant name • Physical residential address
<input type="checkbox"/> US Certificate of Birth Abroad (FS-240,545 or DS-1350)	If your name is different from your primary document, you must show legal proof of name change. You must first change your name with the Social Security Administration (at least 24 hours prior).	Examples
<input type="checkbox"/> Unexpired US Passport or US Passport card	<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage License / Certificate (Last Name)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utility Bill • Federal Release Identification Card • Rental Agreement, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Resident Card/Resident Alien Card, I-551	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorce Decree (Restored Last Name)	Documentation from temporary housing or a shelter is not acceptable as proof of residency.
<input type="checkbox"/> Unexpired USCIS Employment Authorization Document (EAD) except for any issued from Canada or Mexico with the exception of DACA recipients (EAC with C33 category)	<input type="checkbox"/> Court ordered name change for:	MVD reserves the right to review, consider and request additional information and documentation in making determinations regarding age, identity and authorized presence.
<input type="checkbox"/> Unexpired I-94 form with an unexpired foreign passport (excluding Canada and Mexico) and an unexpired U.S. Visa (excluding Visa Waiver program participants)	<input type="checkbox"/> Adoption Decree	MVD may retain images or copies of any document(s) presented.
<input type="checkbox"/> I-94 form with an unexpired foreign passport (excluding Canada and Mexico) and an unexpired U.S. Visa (excluding Visa Waiver program participants)	Or	
<input type="checkbox"/> US Certificate of Naturalization	<input type="checkbox"/> Provide two forms of permissible name usages listed below. Customer cannot change the first name with these documents.	For more information, scan the QR code or visit azdot.gov/CDL .
<input type="checkbox"/> US Certificate of Citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver License, ID, or Instruction Permit issued by any state or US Territory • Social Security Card • US Military Active Duty/Dependent ID Card • US Armed Forces Driver License • US Department of Veterans Affairs Card • Medical Insurance ID Card (including AHCCCS) • Federal Release Identification Card 	