

## **NOTICE OF COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE EXTENSIONS**

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Licensing (DOL) is extending most Washington commercial driver licenses (CDLs) and commercial learner permits (CLPs). CDLs and CLPs with expiration dates on or after March 1, 2020 are extended through Feb. 28, 2021, unless they have already been renewed.

The extension affects all CDL types and endorsements except CDLs with a hazardous materials (hazmat) endorsement. At this time, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is allowing the extension of hazmat endorsements for a total of six months. This means only CDL holders with a hazmat clearance expiration date of Sept. 1, 2020, or later are eligible for an extension through Feb. 28, 2021.

You will not receive a new driver license with a new expiration date. You can present this letter with an expired license if asked by law enforcement or others who need to verify your identity. Late fees will not be assessed during the extension period.

### **Don't wait to renew**

This extension is in line with guidance from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and TSA to keep essential transportation services operational during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is in effect for a limited time. DOL has temporary rules in place making almost everyone eligible for online renewals, so act now to renew your license/permit. There is nothing to be gained by waiting.

Renew online in minutes at: <https://www.dol.wa.gov/dontwait>

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