



WHEN DO I NEED A Medical Examiner's Certificate?

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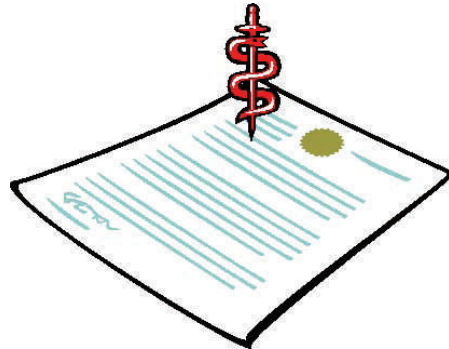


WHEN... The vehicle is used in interstate/intrastate commerce, **and**

- (1) Has a gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) or Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR), or gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight of 10,001 or more, whichever is greater; **or**
- (2) Is designed or used to transport more than 8 passengers (including the driver) for compensation; **or**
- (3) Is designed or used to transport more than 15 passengers, including the driver, and is not used to transport passengers for compensation; **or**
- (4) Is used in transporting hazardous material in a quantity requiring the use of hazardous material warning placards.

The medical examiner's certificate must be carried at all times by the driver and must contain the following information which became effective November 8, 1994:

- (1) Driver's name (printed)
- (2) Expiration date of certificate
- (3) Proper blocks checked when applicable
- (4) Area code and phone number of doctor
- (5) License/Certificate number of doctor
- (6) State in which doctor is licensed
- (7) Doctor's name (printed) and title
- (8) Doctor's signature
- (9) Signature of driver
- (10) Address of driver



There are certain physical disabilities that may allow a driver to operate a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) in interstate/intrastate commerce provided that a waiver is obtained from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

An intrastate driver must be medically qualified under the same rules as an interstate driver except as provided in the paragraph below.

Prior to March 31, 1993, some intrastate drivers (GEORGIA only) were allowed to be grandfathered as long as their current medical condition remains unchanged and they do not develop a condition that would prohibit further CMV operation, e.g., a person with epilepsy grandfathered prior to March 31, 1993 develops diabetes.

Medical examiner's certificates are valid for two years in most instances.

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