



# TRAINING

## PROVIDER REGISTRY

MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR  
Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators

DECEMBER 2016 FINAL RULE

DRIVER  
TRAINING



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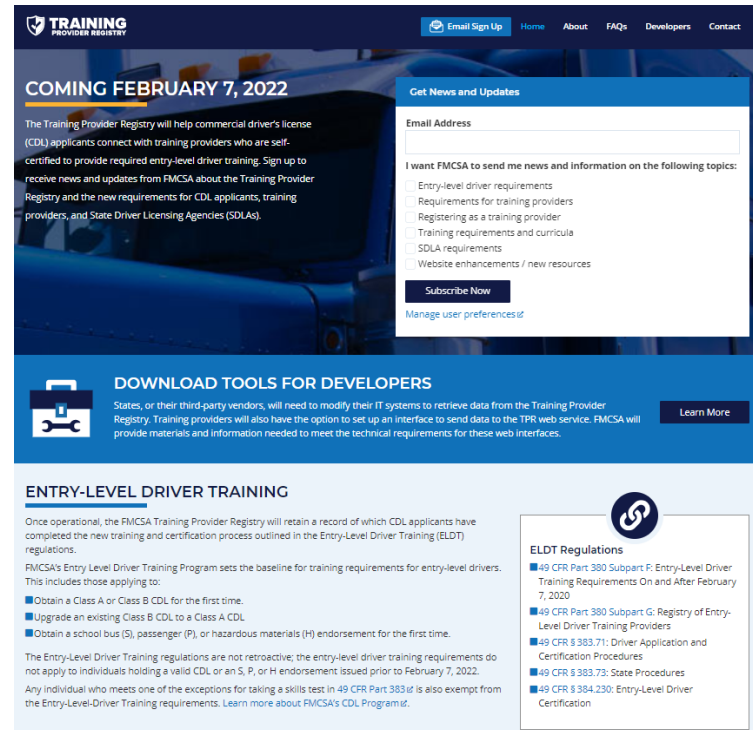
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## What is the Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) final rule?

- Set a Federal standard for mandatory training of entry-level drivers
  - Establishes minimum requirements entry-level driver training providers must meet
  - States may have requirements that exceed Federal requirements
- Established need for the Training Provider Registry

# What is the Training Provider Registry?

- An FMCSA web system that will:
  - Contain the official list of all entities that register with FMCSA and self-certify they meet the requirements for being an entry-level driver training provider.
  - Retain a record of which drivers have successfully completed entry-level driver training for States to access.



The screenshot shows the Training Provider Registry website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Email Sign Up', 'Home', 'About', 'FAQs', 'Developers', and 'Contact'. The main content area features a prominent announcement: 'COMING FEBRUARY 7, 2022'. Below this, a text block explains that the registry will help commercial driver's license (CDL) applicants connect with training providers. To the right, there is a 'Get News and Updates' section with an email address input field and a list of topics to subscribe to, including 'Entry-level driver requirements', 'Requirements for training providers', 'Registering as a training provider', 'Training requirements and curricula', 'SDLA requirements', and 'Website enhancements / new resources'. A 'Subscribe Now' button and a 'Manage user preferences' link are also present.

Below the announcement, there is a section titled 'DOWNLOAD TOOLS FOR DEVELOPERS' with a brief description and a 'Learn More' button. Further down, the 'ENTRY-LEVEL DRIVER TRAINING' section provides detailed information about the new regulations, including a list of requirements for CDL holders and a link to 'ELDT Regulations'.

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# What types of training are covered by ELDT?

The ELDT regulations establish new minimum training standards for individuals applying for:

A Class A or Class B commercial driver's license (CDL) for the first time

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An upgrade of an existing Class B CDL to a Class A CDL

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A hazardous materials (H), passenger (P), or school bus (S) endorsement for the first time

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The rule does not cover individuals for whom States have waived the CDL skills test under 49 CFR 383.

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# What do the ELDT regulations require of CDL applicants?

- Entry-level drivers must complete the applicable training, from a provider listed on the Training Provider Registry, prior to taking a relevant skills or knowledge test.
  - Individuals who obtain a commercial learner's permit (CLP) **on or after February 7, 2022** will be required to meet the ELDT requirements.
  - Individuals who obtain a CLP before February 7, 2022 are not subject to the new ELDT regulations, so long as they obtain a CDL or endorsement before their CLP (or renewed CLP) expires.

# What training will CDL applicants receive?

The Training Provider Registry ensures that entry-level drivers receive training and demonstrate proficiency in the following areas:



## THEORY TRAINING

- Lectures, demonstrations, computer-based, online learning, etc.
- May use a simulator
- No minimum number of hours; must score at least 80% on assessment
- Training topics include:
  - Basic Operation
  - Safe Operating Procedures
  - Advanced Operation Procedures
  - Vehicle Systems and Reporting Malfunctions
  - Non-Driving Activities (e.g., Hours of Service)



## BEHIND-THE-WHEEL (BTW) TRAINING

- Actual operation of a CMV
- Takes place on a range or public road
- May not use a simulator to meet requirements
- No minimum number of hours, training provider will determine driver's proficiency
- Basic vehicle control skills and mastery of basic maneuvers

# What do the ELDT regulations require of training providers?

## Beginning February 7, 2022:

- Training providers wishing to provide entry-level driver training must **register** and **self-certify** that they meet all FMCSA requirements that apply to:



CURRICULA



FACILITIES



INSTRUCTORS



STATE LICENSING



VEHICLES

For full training provider requirements, see 49 CFR part 380 subpart G.



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# What do the ELDT regulations require of training providers? (continued)

## Beginning February 7, 2022:

- After a driver successfully completes the required training, the training provider must electronically submit the driver-trainee's training certification information to the Training Provider Registry.
  - Must be submitted by midnight of the second business day after the driver-trainee completes the training.

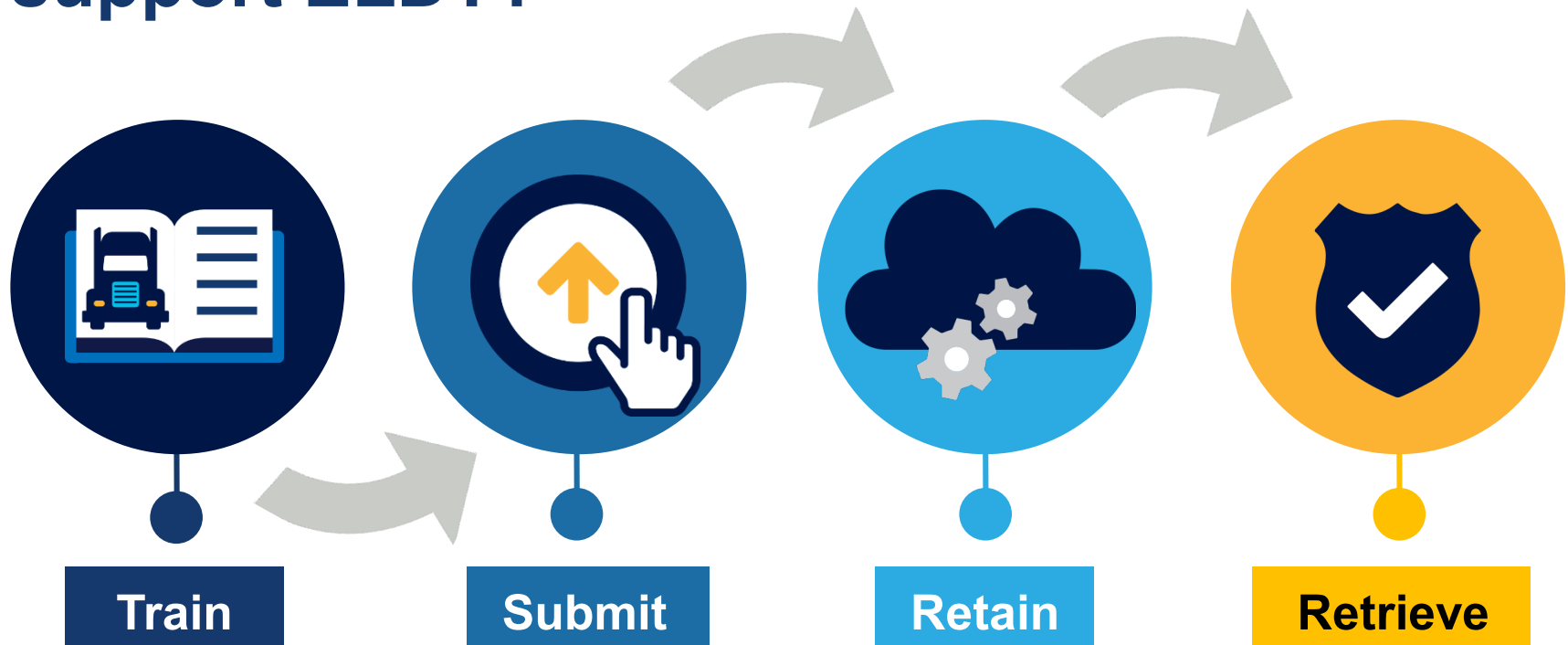
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# What do the ELDT regulations require of State Driver Licensing Agencies (SDLAs)?

## Beginning February 7, 2022:

- The SDLA must verify that the applicant has completed the required entry-level driver training before administering the relevant skills or knowledge test.

# How does the Training Provider Registry support ELDT?



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## How does the Training Provider Registry support ELDT? (continued)



- **CDL applicant** selects their training provider(s) from the list on the Training Provider Registry website
- CDL applicant successfully completes required training

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## How does the Training Provider Registry support ELDT? (continued)



- **Training provider** submits driver training certification information to FMCSA electronically via the Training Provider Registry.
- Must be done for each student when that student completes a course.

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## How does the Training Provider Registry support ELDT? (continued)



Retain

- **FMCSA** will retain the driver training certification information securely in the Training Provider Registry.

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## How does the Training Provider Registry support ELDT? (continued)



**Retrieve**

- **The State**, prior to administering the relevant skills or knowledge test, uses State IT system to retrieve and review driver training certification information from the Training Provider Registry.
- This certification information serves as proof that the driver has completed the required training.

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## Where can I get additional details about the rule?



To learn more about ELDT and the Training Provider Registry, visit:

<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov>



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