

his/her skills test in a passenger vehicle satisfying the requirements of that vehicle group as defined in § 383.91.

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**§ 383.119 Requirements for tank vehicle endorsement.**

In order to obtain a tank vehicle endorsement, each applicant must have knowledge covering the following:

- (a) Causes, prevention, and effects of cargo surge on motor vehicle handling;
- (b) Proper braking procedures for the motor vehicle when it is empty, full, and partially full;
- (c) Differences in handling of baffled compartmented tank interiors versus non-baffled motor vehicles;
- (d) Differences in tank vehicle type and construction;
- (e) Differences in cargo surge for liquids of varying product densities;
- (f) Effects of road grade and curvature on motor vehicle handling with filled, half-filled, and empty tanks;
- (g) Proper use of emergency systems;
- (h) For drivers of DOT specification tank vehicles, retest and marking requirements; and
- (i) Operating practices and procedures not otherwise specified.

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**§ 383.121 Requirements for hazardous materials endorsement.**

In order to obtain a hazardous materials endorsement, each applicant must have such knowledge as is required of a driver of a hazardous materials laden vehicle, from information contained in 49 CFR parts 171, 172, 173, 177, 178, and 397, on the following:

- (a) Hazardous materials regulations including:
  - (1) Hazardous materials table;
  - (2) Shipping paper requirements;
  - (3) Marking;
  - (4) Labeling;
  - (5) Placarding requirements;
  - (6) Hazardous materials packaging;
  - (7) Hazardous materials definitions and preparation;
  - (8) Other regulated material (e.g., ORM-D);
  - (9) Reporting hazardous materials accidents; and
  - (10) Tunnels and railroad crossings.
- (b) Hazardous materials handling including:

(1) Forbidden materials and packages;

- (2) Loading and unloading materials;
- (3) Cargo segregation;
- (4) Passenger carrying buses and hazardous materials;

(5) Attendance of motor vehicles;

- (6) Parking;
- (7) Routes;
- (8) Cargo tanks; and

(9) "Safe havens."

(c) Operation of emergency equipment including:

- (1) Use of equipment to protect the public;

(2) Special precautions for equipment to be used in fires;

(3) Special precautions for use of emergency equipment when loading or unloading a hazardous materials laden motor vehicle; and

(4) Use of emergency equipment for tank vehicles.

(d) Emergency response procedures including:

(1) Special care and precautions for different types of accidents;

(2) Special precautions for driving near a fire and carrying hazardous materials, and smoking and carrying hazardous materials;

(3) Emergency procedures; and

(4) Existence of special requirements for transporting Class 1.1 and 1.2 explosives.

(e) Operating practices and procedures not otherwise specified.

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**§ 383.123 Requirements for a school bus endorsement.**

(a) An applicant for the school bus endorsement must satisfy the following three requirements:

(1) *Qualify for passenger vehicle endorsement.* Pass the knowledge and skills test for obtaining a passenger vehicle endorsement.

(2) *Knowledge test.* Must have knowledge covering the following topics:

(i) Loading and unloading children, including the safe operation of stop signal devices, external mirror systems, flashing lights, and other warning and passenger safety devices required for school buses by State or Federal law or regulation.

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- (ii) Emergency exits and procedures for safely evacuating passengers in an emergency.
  - (iii) State and Federal laws and regulations related to safely traversing railroad-highway grade crossings; and
  - (iv) Operating practices and procedures not otherwise specified.
- (3) *Skills test.* Must take a driving skills test in a school bus of the same vehicle group (see §383.91(a)) as the school bus applicant will drive.
- (b) *Exception.* Knowledge and skills tests administered before September 30, 2002 and approved by FMCSA as meeting the requirements of this section, meet the requirements of paragraphs (a)(2) and (3) of this section

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## Subpart H—Tests

SOURCE: 53 FR 27657, July 21, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

### §383.131 Test manuals.

(a) *Driver information manual.* (1) A State must provide an FMCSA pre-approved driver information manual to a CLP or CDL applicant. The manual must be comparable to the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators' (AAMVA's) "2005 CDL Test System (July 2010 Version) Model Commercial Driver Manual", which FMCSA has approved and provides to all State Driver Licensing Agencies. The driver information manual must include:

- (i) Information on how to obtain a CDL and endorsements;
- (ii) Information on the requirements described in §383.71, the implied consent to alcohol testing described in §383.72, the procedures and penalties contained in §383.51(b) to which a CLP or CDL holder is exposed for refusal to comply with such alcohol testing, State procedures described in §383.73, and other appropriate driver information contained in subpart E of this part;
- (iii) Information on vehicle groups and endorsements as specified in subpart F of this part;
- (iv) The substance of the knowledge and skills that drivers must have, as outlined in subpart G of this part for

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the different vehicle groups and endorsements; and

(v) Details of testing procedures, including the purpose of the tests, how to respond, and directions for taking the tests.

(2) A State may include any additional State-specific information related to the CDL testing and licensing process.

(b) *Examiner information manual.* (1) A State must provide an FMCSA pre-approved examiner information manual that conforms to model requirements in paragraphs (b)(1)(i–xi) of this section to all knowledge and skills test examiners. To be pre-approved by FMCSA, the examiner information manual must be comparable to AAMVA's "2005 CDL Test System (July 2010 Version) Model CDL Examiner's Manual," which FMCSA has approved and provides to all State Driver Licensing Agencies. The examiner information manual must include:

- (i) Information on driver application procedures contained in §383.71, State procedures described in §383.73, and other appropriate driver information contained in subpart E of this part;
- (ii) Details on information that must be given to the applicant;
- (iii) Details on how to conduct the knowledge and skills tests;
- (iv) Scoring procedures and minimum passing scores for the knowledge and skills tests;
- (v) Information for selecting driving test routes for the skills tests;
- (vi) List of the skills to be tested;
- (vii) Instructions on where and how the skills will be tested;
- (viii) How performance of the skills will be scored;
- (ix) Causes for automatic failure of skills tests;
- (x) Standardized scoring sheets for the skills tests; and
- (xi) Standardized driving instructions for the applicants.

(2) A State may include any additional State-specific information related to the CDL testing process.

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### §383.133 Test methods.

(a) All tests must be constructed in such a way as to determine if the applicant possesses the required knowledge