



# CDL Vision Screening Certificate

Applicants for class A, B, or C learner's permits or licenses may use this form. This form must be completed by an ophthalmologist or by an optometrist who is licensed to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

## Minimum required visual standards for CDL as described by Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration 49 CFR §391.41 Physical qualifications for drivers

"Has distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in each eye without corrective lenses or visual acuity separately corrected to 20/40 (Snellen) or better with corrective lenses, distant binocular acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in both eyes with or without corrective lenses, field of vision of at least 70° in the horizontal meridian in each eye, and the ability to recognize the colors of traffic signals and devices showing standard red, green, and amber;"  
**Monocular drivers are not qualified.**

### A. Applicant Information

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	Suffix
Massachusetts Driver's License #		Phone #			

I hereby authorize the ophthalmologist or optometrist completing this form to discuss its content with representatives of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Vision Screening Data

1. Visual Acuity (Snellen)	Without RX	With RX
Right Eye (OD)	20/___	20/___
Left Eye (OS)	20/___	20/___
Both Eyes (OU)	20/___	20/___

Do NOT use qualifiers such as + or – symbols, or the counting fingers ("CF") designation to indicate visual acuity.

2. **Total Horizontal Visual Field** – Both Eyes Combined: \_\_\_\_\_ (Record in Degrees).  
\*\*Suggested Target size to be used: 10mm

3. Are glasses and/or contact lenses needed for driving? .....  Yes  No  
If yes, Question #1 should indicate visual acuity "With RX"

4. Is the applicant's vision characterized by Unresolved Diplopia? .....  Yes  No  
NOTE: To obtain a license, "No" must be checked in Question # 4.

5. Can the applicant distinguish red, green, and amber colors? .....  Yes  No  
NOTE: To obtain a license, "Yes" must be checked in Question # 5.

Listed below are the conditions, treatment, or medication plan which the applicant must follow in order to maintain the validity of my professional opinion:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

A license is valid for five (5) years. Do you think that the applicant should be re-evaluated by the Registry during that time period? .....  Yes  No  
If "YES," please complete:

"I recommend a re-evaluation on \_\_\_\_\_ (month/year) due to \_\_\_\_\_ (condition/ disease)  
and \_\_\_\_\_ (other factors/comments)."

**Turn over to complete reverse side**

### C. Vision Screening Analysis

Provided said applicant follows the conditions and treatment prescribed on this certificate, in my professional opinion the operator meets the minimum visual standards required by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (described above) and therefore is visually qualified to safely operate commercial vehicles.

Yes                      No  
                             

I, the undersigned ophthalmologist or optometrist, agree to keep a copy of this Vision Screening Certificate in my office for a one-year period following the date of the screening. **I hereby certify that the information provided herein is true, accurate, and complete.**

Ophthalmologist or Optometrist Name		Massachusetts Registration #
Date of Screening (MM/DD/YYYY)	Office Phone #	Check One <input type="checkbox"/> M.D. <input type="checkbox"/> O.D.

Ophthalmologist or Optometrist Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: The Registry will not accept this certificate after twelve months from date of screening.  
A photocopy of the certificate will not be accepted. Only a certificate with original writing will be accepted.**

Please be advised that Massachusetts may waive the federal visual standards for INTRASTATE commerce if the individual has a combined horizontal peripheral field of vision of not less than 120 degrees; provided the individual also has a distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in **either** eye, with or without corrective lenses, and the ability to distinguish the colors red, green, and amber. The federal government also has a vision exemption program for INTERSTATE driving. To learn more about the federal program, visit their website at <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rules-regulations/topics/medical/exemptions.htm>

<b>To Be Completed by RMV Personnel Only</b>		
Reviewed at: _____	Office On: _____	By: _____