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Department of Motor Vehicles

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Fire Apparatus License Endorsement

Sec. 14-36a-1. Special license endorsement

Each holder of a Class C Commercial license or Class D motor vehicle operator's license who operates or intends to operate any fire apparatus as authorized by the chief of the fire department, may apply to the commissioner for a special license endorsement, to be designated as a "Q" endorsement. The "Q" endorsement shall authorize the operation of any fire apparatus vehicle, including those with a gross vehicle weight rating of over twenty-six thousand pounds. No such endorsement shall be issued to any such person until he or she demonstrates personally to the commissioner, or the commissioner's designee, by means of testing in a representative vehicle that he or she possesses the skills necessary for such operation.

Each holder of a class A or B Commercial Driver's License may operate any fire apparatus vehicle. Should such holder downgrade a Class A or B Commercial Driver's License to a Class C commercial driver's license or Class D motor vehicle operator's license, a "Q" endorsement may be issued by the commissioner at the time of the downgrade, without further testing, upon authorization by the chief of the fire department employing the services of such license holder. Such authorization shall be evidenced in a manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(Adopted effective August 4, 2005; Adopted effective July 29, 2011)

Sec. 14-36a-2. Issuance of a driver's license bearing restrictions

The commissioner may issue a driver's license bearing one or more of the following restrictions:

"A" – restricts the licensee in the operation of student transportation vehicles to transportation of students to school sponsored activities only;

"B" – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles only when such licensee is using corrective lenses;

"C" – restricts the licensee to the operation of motor vehicles only when such motor vehicles are equipped with special controls or equipment;

"D" – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles only when such licensee is employing a prosthetic aid;

"E" – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles only when such motor vehicles are equipped with an automatic transmission;

"F" – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles only when such motor vehicles are equipped with dual external mirrors;

"G" – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles only during periods of daylight;

"K" – restricts the licensee to the operation of commercial motor vehicles within this state as authorized in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, section 383.153(a)(10), including, but not limited to, all licensees who are eighteen years of age or older but younger than twenty-one years of age;

"L" – restricts the licensee to the operation of commercial motor vehicles that are not

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equipped with air brakes, in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 383.95;

“M” – restricts the licensee, in the operation of commercial motor vehicles requiring a passenger (P) endorsement, to only those vehicles listed in Group B or Group C of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 383.91;

“N” – restricts the licensee, in the operation of commercial motor vehicles requiring a passenger (P) endorsement, to only those vehicles listed in Group C of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 383.91;

“R” – restricts the licensee to operation of motor vehicles on roadways that are not limited access highways;

“U” – restricts the licensee to operation of commercial motor vehicles only when such licensee is using an operable hearing aid;

“V” – indicates the existence of a medical variance, issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, on the medical certificate of the operator of a commercial motor vehicle, such as an exemption, Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) certification, or grandfathering provision in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 391.49 or 391.64, thereby requiring the licensee to have in his or her possession the original or copy of the medical variance documentation at all times while on duty; and

“W” – indicates the licensee has qualified for a medical waiver for the operation of an intrastate commercial motor vehicle based upon medical certification or a Skill Performance Evaluation.

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