

1 B. Any person who is at least fifteen (15) years of age may
2 drive during a session in which the driver is being instructed in a
3 driver education course, as set out in subparagraphs a, b, c, d and
4 e of paragraph 1 of subsection C of this section, by a certified
5 driver education instructor who is seated in the right front seat of
6 the motor vehicle.

7 C. Any person:

8 1. Who is at least fifteen (15) years of age and is currently
9 receiving instruction in or has successfully completed driver
10 education. For purposes of this section, the term "driver
11 education" shall mean:

- 12 a. a prescribed secondary school driver education course,
13 as provided for in Sections 19-113 through 19-121 of
14 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- 15 b. a driver education course, certified by Service
16 Oklahoma, from a parochial, private, or other
17 nonpublic secondary school,
- 18 c. a commercial driver training course, as defined by
19 Sections 801 through 808 of this title,
- 20 d. a parent-taught driver education course, certified by
21 Service of Oklahoma, in conjunction with the
22 Department of Public Safety. Service Oklahoma shall
23 promulgate rules for any parent-taught driver
24 education course, or

1 e. a driver education course certified by a state other
2 than Oklahoma; or

3 2. Who is at least sixteen (16) years of age,
4 may, upon successfully passing all parts of the driver license
5 examination administered by Service Oklahoma, or an approved written
6 examination proctor, except the driving examination, be issued a
7 learner permit which will grant the permittee the privilege to
8 operate a Class D motor vehicle upon the public highways only
9 between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. and while accompanied
10 by a licensed driver who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age
11 and who is actually occupying a seat beside the permittee; provided,
12 the written examination for a learner permit may be waived by
13 Service Oklahoma upon verification that the person has successfully
14 completed driver education.

15 D. 1. Any person:

16 a. who has applied for, been issued, and has possessed a
17 learner permit for a minimum of one hundred eighty
18 (180) days,

19 b. whose custodial legal parent or legal guardian
20 certifies to Service Oklahoma by sworn affidavit that
21 the person has received a minimum of fifty (50) hours
22 of actual behind-the-wheel training, of which at least
23 ten (10) hours of such training was at night, from a
24 licensed driver who was at least twenty-one (21) years

1 of age and who was properly licensed to operate a
2 Class D motor vehicle for a minimum of two (2) years,
3 and
4 c. who is at least sixteen (16) years of age,
5 may be issued an intermediate Class D license upon successfully
6 passing all parts of the driver license examinations administered by
7 Service Oklahoma; provided, the written examination, if it has not
8 previously been administered or waived, may be waived by Service
9 Oklahoma upon verification that the person has successfully
10 completed driver education or the driving examination may be waived
11 by Service Oklahoma upon successful passage of the examination
12 administered by a certified designated examiner, as provided for in
13 Section 6-110 of this title. However, notwithstanding the date of
14 issuance of the learner permit, if the person has been convicted of
15 a traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that
16 person, the time period specified in subparagraph a of this
17 paragraph shall be recalculated to begin from the date of conviction
18 for the traffic offense, and must elapse before that person may be
19 issued an intermediate Class D license. If the person has been
20 convicted of more than one traffic offense which is reported on the
21 driving record of that person, the time period specified in
22 subparagraph a of this paragraph shall be recalculated to begin from
23 the most recent date of conviction, and must elapse before that
24 person may be issued an intermediate Class D license.

1 2. A person who has been issued an intermediate Class D license
2 under the provisions of this subsection:

3 a. shall be granted the privilege to operate a Class D
4 motor vehicle upon the public highways:

5 (1) only between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 10:00
6 p.m., except for driving to and from work,
7 school, school activities, and church activities,
8 or

9 (2) at any time, if a licensed driver who is at least
10 twenty-one (21) years of age is actually
11 occupying a seat beside the intermediate Class D
12 licensee, or if the intermediate Class D licensee
13 is a farm or ranch resident, and is operating a
14 motor vehicle while engaged in farming or
15 ranching operations outside the limits of a
16 municipality, or driving to and from work,
17 school, school activities, or church activities,
18 and

19 b. shall not operate a motor vehicle with more than one
20 passenger unless:

21 (1) all passengers live in the same household as the
22 custodial legal parent or legal guardian, or
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1 (2) a licensed driver at least twenty-one (21) years
2 of age is actually occupying a seat beside the
3 intermediate Class D licensee.

4 E. Any person who has been issued an intermediate Class D
5 license for a minimum of:

6 1. One (1) year, if the person is eighteen (18) years of age;

7 or

8 2. One hundred eighty (180) days, if the person has completed
9 both the driver education and the parent-certified behind-the-wheel
10 training provisions of subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection D
11 of this section,
12 may be issued a Class D license. However, notwithstanding the date
13 of issuance of the Class D license, if the person has been convicted
14 of a traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that
15 person, the time periods specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of this
16 subsection, as applicable, shall be recalculated to begin from the
17 date of conviction for the traffic offense, and must elapse before
18 that person may be issued a Class D license. If the person has been
19 convicted of more than one traffic offense which is reported on the
20 driving record of that person, the time periods specified in
21 paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection, as applicable, shall be
22 recalculated to begin from the most recent date of conviction, and
23 must elapse before that person may be issued a Class D license.

1 F. Learner permits and intermediate Class D licenses shall be
2 issued for the same period as all other driver licenses. The
3 licenses may be suspended or canceled at the discretion of the
4 Department of Public Safety, with notice to Service Oklahoma, for
5 violation of restrictions, for failing to give the required or
6 correct information on the application, for knowingly giving false
7 or inaccurate information on the application or any subsequent
8 documentation related to the granting of driving privileges, for
9 using a ~~hand-held~~ handheld electronic device while operating a motor
10 vehicle for non-life-threatening emergency purposes or for violation
11 of any traffic laws of this state pertaining to the operation of a
12 motor vehicle.

13 G. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules establishing
14 procedures for removal of learner permit and intermediate Class D
15 license restrictions from the permit or license upon the permittee
16 or licensee qualifying for a less restricted or an unrestricted
17 license.

18 H. Any person fourteen (14) years of age or older may apply for
19 a restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-only restriction.
20 After the person has successfully passed all parts of the motorcycle
21 examination other than the driving examination, has successfully
22 completed a certified state-approved motorcycle basic rider course
23 approved by the Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with
24 Service Oklahoma, and has met all requirements provided for in the

1 rules of the Department and Service Oklahoma, Service Oklahoma shall
2 issue to the person a restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-
3 only restriction which shall grant to the person, while having the
4 license in the person's immediate possession, the privilege to
5 operate a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle:

- 6 1. With a piston displacement not to exceed three hundred ~~(300)~~
7 cubic centimeters (300 cc);
- 8 2. Between the hours of 4:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. only;
- 9 3. While wearing approved protective headgear; and
- 10 4. While accompanied by and receiving instruction from any
11 person who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who is
12 properly licensed pursuant to the laws of this state to operate a
13 motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, and who has visual contact with
14 the restricted licensee.

15 The restricted licensee may apply on or after thirty (30) days
16 from date of issuance of the restricted Class D license with a
17 motorcycle-only restriction to have the restriction of being
18 accompanied by a licensed driver removed by successfully completing
19 the driving portion of an examination.

20 The written examination and driving examination for a restricted
21 Class D license with a motorcycle-only endorsement shall be waived
22 by Service Oklahoma upon verification that the person has
23 successfully completed a certified state-approved motorcycle basic
24 rider course approved by the Department and Service Oklahoma.

1 I. Service Oklahoma may in its discretion issue a special
2 permit to any person who has attained the age of fourteen (14)
3 years, authorizing such person to operate farm vehicles between the
4 farm and the market to haul commodities grown on the farm; provided,
5 that the special permit shall be temporary and shall expire not more
6 than thirty (30) days after the issuance of the special permit.
7 Special permits shall be issued only to farm residents and shall be
8 issued only during the time of the harvest of the principal crops
9 grown on such farm. Provided, however, Service Oklahoma shall not
10 issue a special permit pursuant to this subsection until Service
11 Oklahoma is fully satisfied after the examination of the application
12 and other evidence furnished in support thereof, that the person is
13 physically and mentally developed to such a degree that the
14 operation of a motor vehicle by the person would not be inimical to
15 public safety.

16 J. As used in this section:

17 1. ~~Hand-held~~ Handheld electronic device" means a mobile
18 telephone or electronic device with which a user engages in a
19 telephone call, plays or stores media, including but not limited to
20 music and video, or sends or reads a text message while requiring
21 the use of at least one hand; and

22 2. "Using a ~~hand-held~~ handheld electronic device" means
23 engaging any function on an electronic device.

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1 K. All driver education courses provided for in paragraph 1 of
2 subsection C of this section shall include education regarding the
3 dangers of texting while driving and the effects of being under the
4 influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance while driving.

5 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 6-110, as
6 last amended by Section 4, Chapter 450, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp.
7 2025, Section 6-110), is amended to read as follows:

8 Section 6-110. A. 1. Service Oklahoma shall establish
9 procedures to ensure every applicant for an original Class A, B, C,
10 or D license and for any endorsements thereon is examined by Service
11 Oklahoma, or an approved written examination proctor, except as
12 otherwise provided in Section 6-101 et seq. of this title or as
13 provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection or in subsections D and E
14 of this section. Service Oklahoma ~~is authorized to~~ shall authorize,
15 approve, and enter into agreements with third parties including, but
16 not limited to, public school districts, technology center districts
17 overseen by the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology
18 Education, institutions of higher education, or commercial driver
19 training schools, to act as approved written examination proctors
20 with regard to any written examination required by this section.
21 The examination shall include a test of the applicant's:

- 22 a. eyesight,
- 23 b. ability to read and understand highway signs
- 24 regulating, warning, and directing traffic,

- 1 c. knowledge of the traffic laws of this state including
2 a portion on bicycle and motorcycle safety, and
3 d. ability, by actual demonstration, to exercise ordinary
4 and reasonable control in the operation of a motor
5 vehicle. The actual demonstration shall be conducted
6 in the type of motor vehicle for the class of driver
7 license being applied for.

8 The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with Service
9 Oklahoma, may create a knowledge test that may be taken on the
10 Internet by an applicant applying for a Class D license.

11 Any licensee seeking to apply for a driver license of another class
12 which is not covered by the licensee's current driver license shall
13 be considered an applicant for an original license for that class.

14 2. Service Oklahoma shall have the authority to waive the
15 requirement of any part of the examination required in paragraph 1
16 of this subsection for those applicants whose driving record meets
17 the standards set by the Department of Public Safety and surrender
18 either of the following:

- 19 a. a valid unexpired driver license issued by any state
20 or country for the same type or types of vehicles, or
21 b. an expired driver license that:
22 (1) is not expired more than six (6) months past the
23 expiration date listed on the driver license, and
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1 (2) is not a Class A, B, or C commercial driver
2 license or commercial driver license permit.

3 3. Service Oklahoma shall accept skills test results from
4 another state for Class A, B, or C license applicants who have
5 successfully completed commercial motor vehicle driver training in
6 that state and successfully passed the skills test in that state;
7 provided, Service Oklahoma shall not accept skills test results from
8 another state when the applicant has not successfully completed
9 commercial motor vehicle driver training in that state. Nothing in
10 this section shall be construed to prohibit Service Oklahoma from
11 administering the skills test to any applicant who has successfully
12 completed commercial vehicle driver training in another state.

13 4. All applicants requiring a hazardous materials endorsement
14 shall be required, for the renewal of the endorsement, to
15 successfully complete the examination and to submit to a security
16 threat assessment performed by the Transportation Security
17 Administration of the Department of Homeland Security as required by
18 and pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 1572, which shall be used to
19 determine whether the applicant is eligible for renewal of the
20 endorsement pursuant to federal law and regulation.

21 5. Service Oklahoma, or an approved written examination
22 proctor, shall give the complete examination as provided for in this
23 section within thirty (30) days from the date the application is
24 received, and the examination shall be given at a location within

1 one hundred (100) miles of the residence of the applicant. Service
2 Oklahoma shall make every effort to make the examination locations
3 and times convenient for applicants. Service Oklahoma shall
4 consider giving the examination at any public or private site, if
5 economically feasible and practicable, and if Service Oklahoma and
6 the owner or the governing body agree.

7 B. Any person holding a valid Oklahoma Class D license or
8 provisional driver license pursuant to Section 6-212 of this title
9 and applying for a Class A, B or C commercial license shall be
10 required to successfully complete all examinations as required for
11 the specified class. Failure to submit to Service Oklahoma
12 federally required medical certification information pursuant to 49
13 C.F.R., Part 391.41 et seq. shall result in an automatic downgrade
14 of a commercial license to a Class D license. Provided, however,
15 once the required medical certification information has been
16 received by Service Oklahoma, the license shall be reinstated to the
17 classification of the commercial license prior to the downgrade and
18 the holder of such a license shall not be required to reapply.

19 C. Except as provided in subsection E of Section 6-101 of this
20 title, any person holding a valid Oklahoma Class A, B or C
21 commercial license shall, upon time for renewal thereof, be entitled
22 to a Class D license without any type of testing or examination,
23 except for any endorsements thereon as otherwise provided for by
24 Section 6-110.1 of this title.

1 D. 1. Any certified driver education instructor who is
2 currently an operator or an employee of a commercial driver training
3 school in this state or any driver education instructor employed by
4 any school district in this state shall be eligible to apply to be a
5 designated examiner of Service Oklahoma for the purposes of
6 administering the Class D driving skills portion of the Oklahoma
7 driving examination to any person who is eligible to take the
8 Oklahoma driving examination including, but not limited to, a person
9 who has been issued a learner permit or farm permit. Service
10 Oklahoma shall to the maximum extent possible accept electronic
11 signatures for all applications to be a designated examiner. A
12 certified driver education instructor or designated examiner shall
13 be permitted to proctor the knowledge written examination and shall
14 not be restricted by any identification verification or age
15 verification system while proctoring the examination.

16 2. The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with Service
17 Oklahoma, shall adopt a curriculum of required courses and training
18 to be offered to applicants who are qualified to apply to be a
19 designated examiner. The courses and training for certification
20 shall meet the same standards as required for driver examiners of
21 Service Oklahoma. Within thirty (30) days of ~~the effective date of~~
22 ~~this act~~ November 1, 2024, and by October 1 of each subsequent year,
23 Service Oklahoma shall publish a schedule for the subsequent
24 calendar year of courses and trainings which shall occur no less

1 than twice per calendar year. Service Oklahoma may schedule
2 additional courses and trainings based on demand. Service Oklahoma
3 shall disclose how many slots are available for each course or
4 training and any restrictions on how those slots may be allocated at
5 the time of publishing the schedule.

6 3. Each person applying to be a designated examiner shall be
7 required to pay an initial designated examiner certification fee of
8 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Upon successful completion of
9 training prescribed by paragraph 2 of this subsection, the person
10 shall be required to pay an annual designated examiner certification
11 fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). If an applicant for the
12 designated examiner program is employed by an Oklahoma public school
13 system that offers driver education, and he or she administers the
14 skills test only to students enrolled in a public school driver
15 education program, the certification fee may be waived by Service
16 Oklahoma. Each designated examiner certification shall expire on
17 the last day of the calendar year and may be renewed upon
18 application to Service Oklahoma. The designated examiner
19 certification fees collected by Service Oklahoma pursuant to this
20 subsection shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of
21 Public Safety Restricted Revolving Fund to be used for the purposes
22 of this subsection, through October 31, 2022. Beginning November 1,
23 2022, the designated examiner certification fees collected by
24 Service Oklahoma pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited to

1 the credit of the Service Oklahoma Revolving Fund. No designated
2 examiner certification fee shall be refunded in the event that
3 certification is denied, suspended, or revoked.

4 4. A designated examiner may charge a fee for each Class D
5 driving skills examination given, whether the person being examined
6 passes or fails the examination.

7 5. Service Oklahoma shall conduct an annual complete nationwide
8 criminal history background check on each designated examiner and a
9 complete nationwide criminal history background check on each
10 designated examiner applicant. The fees for the background check
11 shall be borne by the designated examiner or designated examiner
12 applicant.

13 6. The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with Service
14 Oklahoma, shall promulgate rules to implement and administer the
15 provisions of this subsection.

16 E. 1. Upon application and approval of Service Oklahoma, any
17 public or private commercial truck driving school that has or
18 maintains a program instructing students for a Class A, B or C
19 license, public transit agency, state, county, or municipal
20 government agency in this state, such as local school districts, the
21 Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, or
22 institutions of higher education, or a private entity, shall be
23 authorized to hire or employ designated examiners approved by
24 Service Oklahoma to be third-party examiners of the Class A, B, or C

1 driving skills portion ~~and/or~~ or knowledge written portion, pursuant
2 to subsection A of this section, of the Oklahoma driving
3 examination. All designated examiners must successfully have
4 completed the courses and training as outlined in paragraph 2 of
5 this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall be required to approve at
6 least one public transit agency that has or maintains a program
7 instructing students for a Class A, B, or C license to hire or
8 employ third-party examiners pursuant to this section. It shall be
9 permissible for any public transit agency operating in this state to
10 utilize the third-party examiners hired or employed by a public
11 transit agency approved by Service Oklahoma.

12 2. The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with Service
13 Oklahoma, shall adopt a curriculum of required courses and training
14 to be offered to third-party examiners. The courses and training
15 for certification shall meet the same standards as required for
16 commercial driver examiners of Service Oklahoma.

17 3. Service Oklahoma shall require each third-party examiner
18 applicant and commercial school driver education instructor
19 applicant to submit to an electronic national criminal history
20 record check pursuant to Section 150.9 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma
21 Statutes. On or before December 1, 2022, Service Oklahoma shall
22 require each third-party examiner or commercial school driver
23 education instructor to submit to an electronic national criminal
24 history record check pursuant to Section 150.9 of Title 74 of the

1 Oklahoma Statutes. The fees for the background check shall be borne
2 by the third-party examiner, third-party examiner applicant,
3 commercial school driver education instructor, or commercial school
4 driver education instructor applicant.

5 F. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules to:

6 1. Implement and administer the provisions of this section
7 based on requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R., Section 383.75 ~~of~~
8 ~~Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations;~~

9 2. Establish a process to inform any school, public transit
10 agency, examiner, or state, county, or municipal government agency,
11 who has been denied, within forty-five (45) days from the denial;

12 3. Create an appeal process for any school, public transit
13 agency, examiner, or state, county, or municipal government agency
14 denied; and

15 4. If the initial application for approval was denied, limit
16 the number of times an individual school, public transit agency,
17 individual examiner applicant, or state, county, or municipal
18 government agency may reapply in a calendar year to two
19 reapplications.

20 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

21 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AERONAUTICS AND TRANSPORTATION
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