

NC Driver License Help Information

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1. ACCESS TO NC DMV IMAGES

DMV images are available via a standard DCI Driver's License Inquiry by placing a Y in the image field. This feature is available for Omnixx and most Mobile users. For specifics regarding mobile access to images, please visit Omnixx Links, IT Assistance, Mobile DMV Image Access.

2. CUSTOMER MERGED NC DMV RECORDS

The North Carolina Driver Issuance Section has implemented a "Customer Merged Program" which combines known multiple driver issuance records of the same individual to one "primary record." The DMV program has divided these customer mergers into two categories:

- 1) Alias Combined —means the combined records are known to be fraudulent by intent;
- 2) Case Combined —which are identified as records being issued in error.

DMV and DCI have developed a special Driver Issuance response to display alias names and customer numbers if the customer number used in the inquiry is associated with a customer-merged record. It does not matter if the number used in the inquiry is the primary or one of the secondary numbers. You will still receive the primary driver issuance record with a listing of any associated names and numbers previously issued to that person. The response will indicate if the hit was based on an "alias" or "case combined" customer number. DMV has advised an inquiry by name only (primary or secondary) will NOT link to any "alias" or "case combined" records. Only inquiries using a customer number will provide the customer merged information.

*** * * IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO REMEMBER * * ***

The automatic Wanted Person (QW) inquiry searches are made with the Name, DOB, and Customer Number obtained from the Driver Issuance response. Therefore, if you inquire by a customer number that happened to be one of the secondary (*alias or case combined*) numbers, the QW search will **NOT** be made with the name and number you used in the inquiry. It will be made using the primary identifiers in the driver issuance response. In order to assure you **do a thorough Wanted Person search for the officer's safety**, the operator should perform additional QW inquiries on the additional names, DOBs, and customer numbers provided in the response. This is especially important with "Alias Merged Records" since they are known to be fraudulent and previous warrants could have been issued with the alias information.

3. RADIO BROADCASTS OF DRIVER HISTORY INFORMATION

DCI's legal counsel with the NC Attorney General's Office has advised that a radio broadcast of driver history information is not recommended because of the ease by which radio broadcast information may be intercepted by unauthorized entities. It is recommended that radio broadcasts of driver's history information be limited to the items set forth herein: general statements such as "license status," "prior/no convictions," "the number of convictions," or any information to warn an officer of a dangerous individual.

To provide further necessary information to an officer regarding details of a driver's history, **it is recommended that Signal or Ten Codes be established** such as Signal 13 to identify a suspension for DWI and/or Signal 14 for a suspension other than DWI. The information may also be relayed to the officer in person or via telephone (*by telephone provided the officer's identity is verified*). In a recent case, an officer was only informed by radio that a subject's driver's license was suspended. The reason for the suspension was not part of the radio broadcast. The suspension reason was due to "Failure to Appear." When later discovered, the officer advised his dispatch that if he had known the reason, he would have arrested the driver in lieu of only issuing a citation.

4. DRIVER LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS

To view the NC DMV's Web page that identifies the classification types and other DMV related information, visit: www.ncdot.gov/dmv/license-id/driver-licenses/new-drivers/Pages/handbooks.aspx

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CLASS "A" CLASSIFIED — is a combination of motor vehicles that meets either of the following descriptions:

- 1) Has a combined GVWR (*Gross Vehicle Weight Rating*) of at least 26,001 pounds and includes as part of the combination a towed unit that has a GVWR of at least 10,001 pounds.
- 2) Has a combined GVWR of less than 26,001 pounds and includes as part of the combination a towed unit that has a GVWR of at least 10,001 pounds.

CLASS "B" CLASSIFIED — is any of the following:

- 1) A single motor vehicle that has a GVWR of at least 26,001 pounds.
- 2) A combination of motor vehicles that includes as part of the combination a towing unit that has a GVWR of at least 26,001 pounds and a towed unit that has a GVWR of less than 10,001 pounds.

CLASS "C" CLASSIFIED — is needed to drive any vehicle or combination of vehicles that are exempt from commercial "A" or "B" licenses. Also, any vehicle or combination of vehicles which are exempt from "A" or "B" classified.

CLASS "A" CDL — commercial driver license needed to drive any combination of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more provided the GVWR of the vehicle(s) being towed are in excess of 10,000 pounds. Class "A" license entitles the licensee to operate Class "B" and "C" vehicles.

CLASS "B" CDL — commercial driver license needed to drive a single vehicle with a GVWR in excess of 26,000 pounds or any such vehicle towing a vehicle not in excess of 10,000 pounds. Class "B" license also entitles the licensee to operate Class "C" vehicles.

CLASS "C" CDL — commercial driver license needed to drive any vehicle or combination of vehicles not included in Class "A" or "B" commercial. However, vehicle or combination of vehicles must meet either of the following descriptions:

- 1) Is designed to transport sixteen (16) or more passengers, including the driver.
- 2) Is transporting hazardous materials and is required to be placarded.

5. DRIVER LICENSE CLASSIFICATION GROUP CODES

Blank	Normal license group
I	ID group
M	Motorcycle group only
P	Learner's Permit, Limited Permit group
T	Temporary Permit group
1	Graduated License Level 1
2	Graduated License Level 2
3	Graduated License Level 3

6. DRIVER LICENSE ENDORSEMENT TYPE CODES

H	Hazard Endorsement
N	Tank Endorsement
T	Twin Endorsement
X	Hazard and Tank
M	Motorcycle Endorsement
P	Passenger Endorsement
S	School Bus

7. DRIVER LICENSE TYPE CODES

D	Duplicate license
O	Original License
R	Renewal License

8. DRIVER LICENSE STATUS TYPES

ACTIVE — Customer holds a valid, current license.

APPLICATION — Customer started an application but not yet completed all requirements for license or permit.

CANCELED — Driving privilege has been canceled indefinitely until outstanding requirements are satisfied
(i.e. *restoration fee paid, service fee paid, correct information given, etc.*).

DECEASED — Customer has died.

DENIED — Application received for a CDL license, but issuance was denied because customer was ineligible.

ELIG FOR REINSTATE — Customer is entitled for reinstatement of his/her driving privilege. The driver is currently not suspended, revoked, or canceled but does not hold a valid, current license.

EXPIRED — The license has expired.

INACTIVE — If a driver previously held a classified license and now holds a valid, current CDL license, then the driver's classified license has a status of INACTIVE. This can include classified licenses that have been expired over two years and CDL licenses expired over one year. These time periods allow customers to renew a license after expiration dates. Outside of these expiration dates, an original license must be obtained.

MED CANCELLATION — Driving privilege is canceled indefinitely for medical reasons.

SUSPENDED — Driving privilege suspended (*revoked*) for a specific time required by law.

VOL SURR — The driver voluntarily surrendered his/her license on the date indicated.

90 DAY RENEW DENIED — The driver did not comply with the court's orders within 90 days. Driving privilege is not suspended, canceled or revoked but the driver cannot renew his license until compliance is made.

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9. DRIVER LICENSE — OTHER FIELD NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS

Address — Residence address if known, otherwise, the mailing address

CDL — Commercial Driver License: **N** indicates customer's current license is not a Commercial Driver License and **Y** indicates customer's current license is a Commercial Driver License

City — City where the customer's address is located

Cond Restr — Conditional Restoration: **N** indicates the customer does not have a conditional restoration and **Y** indicates the customer has a conditional restoration

Offense/Conviction Date — Offense and conviction date(s), or the end date of a suspension, conviction, cancellation, or Disqualification. The offense is when the infraction occurred, and the conviction is when the courts convicted individual.

Disqualified Only — **Y** in this field indicates the customer is disqualified from having a Commercial Driver License

DOB — Customer's date of birth

Expire Date — Date the customer's ID, license, or permit expires. Two digits for the month, two digits for the day, and four digits for the year

Eyes — Customer's eye color

Hair — Customer's hair color

Height-Ft/In — Customer's height in feet and inches

Issue Date — Date the customer's ID, license, or permit was issued

Lic No — Driver License Number which identifies the customer

Ltd Priv — Limited Privilege: **N** indicates the customer does not have Limited Privilege and **Y** indicates the customer has Limited Privilege

Name — Customer's last name, first name, middle name, and suffix (if applicable)

Nature of Record — Description of an event, or a description of an action taken as a result of an event

Occur/Beg Date — date an event took place, or the beginning date of a suspension, cancellation, disqualification, or probation

Orig Issue Date — the customer was first issued a license or permit

Probation — Probation: **N** indicates the customer is not on probation and **Y** indicates the customer is on probation

Sex — Customer's sex

State — Two letter code for the state of the address

Total Points — Total amount of active points on a customer's driver's license

Zip — Zip code for the address

10. GLOSSARY — RESTRICTION CODE ACRONYMS *(not included in categories 4-9 above)*

BAC Blood Alcohol Concentration

CAM..... Customer with diminished lung capacity unable to use device as DWI-related

CLP..... Commercial Learner's Permit

CMV..... Commercial Motor Vehicle

GVWR..... Gross Vehicle Weight Rating

FMCSA..... Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

MPH..... Miles Per Hour

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11. DRIVER LICENSE RESTRICTION CODES

Indicates restrictions on the customer's driver license. Up to five (5) restriction codes on front of license and up to a possible 12 restrictions with their codes and descriptions on back of license.

RESTRICTIONS for Regular Driver Licenses/Permits			
Code	Description	Code	Description
*9	Other as Shown	57	Foot Control Extension
0	NONE	58	Full Hand Controls
1	Corrective Lenses	59	Left Foot Pedal
2	45 MPH / No Interstate Driving	60	Pedal Extension
3	Daylight Driving Only	61	Booster Brakes
4	NC Intrastate Only – CDL	62	Cond Rest / Ignition Interlock
5	Wrecker Only	63	Regular C Only
6	Mobile Home Transport Only	64	GS 20-7: Exp 60 Days on Return to NC
7	Outside Mirrors	65	CAM Customer (or Other as Shown)
8	No Tractor–Trailer	66	---Mile Radius of Home
10	Accompanied by Driver Licensed by Class	67	To/From Work
11	Fleet Vehicles Only	68	To/From Work as Req by Job
12	Drive 6am – 8 pm Only	69	No Interstate Driving
13	Auto Transmission	70	To/From Church/Store/Doctor
14	Passenger Class B & C Only	71	# Miles Limit Per Day due Vision Issues
15	Passenger Class C Only	72	No Beltline Driving
16	Grad Lic Level 1 Restriction	73	Must drive with Driver–DL# -----
17	Grad Lic Level 2 Restriction	74	Fleet Vehicle Only
18	No Passenger	75	Other as Shown
19	BAC .04 Restriction	76	No Weekend Driving
20	BAC .04 and Ignition Interlock Restriction	77	To/From Work on Workdays Only
21	BAC .00 Restriction	78	No Driving 10pm – 6 am
22	BAC .00 and Ignition Interlock Restriction	79	Other as Shown (Free Text ...)
23	Ignition Interlock Restriction	80	Other as Shown (Free Text ...)
24	No Passenger–Motorcycle Endorsement	81	Artificial – Leg
30	Non Resident CDL	82	Hearing Aid
51	Wheel Knob	83	Conditional Restoration
52	Power Steering	84	Probation Agreement
53	Seat Cushion - - Inches	85	Other as Shown (Free Text ...)
54	Outside Rearview Mirrors	86	Other as Shown (Free Text ...)
55	Power Brakes	87	Non Resident CDL
56	Raised Seat	88	HAZMAT Expiration: mm/dd/ccyy

STANDARD RESTRICTIONS for Commercial Driver Licenses/Permits			
Code	Description	Code	Description
E	No Manual Transmission CMV	S	School Bus Only
K	NC Intrastate Only – CDL	V	FMCSA Variance
L	No Air Brakes	X	No Cargo in CMV Tank Vehicle
M	Passenger Class B & C Only	XM	CDL Medical Certification Lapse
N	Passenger Class C Only	Y	Pending BAC / Ignition Interlock
O	No Tractor–Trailer	Z	No Full Air Brakes
P	No Passengers in CMV Bus		