

**Legislative Regulation
Review Committee**

2010-055

Department of Motor Vehicles

FIRE APPARATUS LICENSE ENDORSEMENT

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Regulation
of

Department of Motor Vehicles

Fire Apparatus License Endorsement

Sections 14-36a-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

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 [and one] 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 [, as authorized by a chief of a fire department,] that he or she possesses the skills necessary [to] for such [operate] operation. [such fire apparatus vehicle.]

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.

Statement of Purpose:

Purpose: To clarify that an operator of fire apparatus with a gross vehicle weight of twenty-six thousand and one pounds or more, who does not possess a Class A or B commercial driver's license (CDL), may obtain a "Q" endorsement. The chief of the fire department employing the operator requesting the "Q" endorsement may authorize its issuance. Furthermore, a holder of a Class C CDL or Class D operator's license may obtain a "Q" endorsement. Lastly, if a holder of a Class A or B CDL downgrades such license to a Class C CDL or Class D operator's license, a "Q" endorsement may be issued, if authorized by the fire department chief.

Summary of Main Provisions:

See "Purpose" above.

Legal Effects of the Regulation:

License requirements will change by adding a "Q" endorsement for operators holding a Class C commercial driver's license or a Class D operator's license and exempting a holder of Class A or B commercial driver's license from having an endorsement for operation of fire apparatus.

Be it known that the foregoing:

Regulations Emergency Regulations are:
 Adopted Amended as hereinabove stated Repealed

By the aforesaid agency pursuant to:

Section 14-36a of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 14-_____ of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended by Section _ of Public Act. No. _ of Public Acts.

Public Act. No. _____ of the Public Acts.

After publication in the Connecticut Law Journal on August 27, 2010 of the notice of the proposal to:

Adopt Amend Repeal such regulations

(If applicable): And the holding of an advertised public hearing on ___ day of ___ 2010.

WHEREFORE, the foregoing regulations are hereby:

Adopted Amended as hereinabove stated Repealed

Effective:

When filed with the Secretary of the State.

(OR)

The ___ day of _____ 2010.

In Witness Whereof:	Date <u>10/5/10</u>	SIGNED (Head of Board, Agency or Commission) <i>[Signature]</i>	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED COMMISSIONER
Approved by the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency in accordance with Sec. 4-169, as amended, C.G.S.:		SIGNED <i>[Signature]</i> <u>10/10/10</u>	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED ASSOC. ATTY. GENERAL

Approved

Disapproved

Disapproved in part, (Indicate Section Numbers disapproved only)

Rejected without prejudice.

The Legislative Review Committee in accordance with Sec. 4-170, as amended, of the Connecticut General Statutes	DATE	SIGNED (Clerk of the Legislative Regulation Review Committee)
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Two certified copies received and filed, and one such copy forwarded to the Commission on Official Legal Publications in accordance with Section 4-172, as amended, of the Connecticut General Statutes.

DATE	SIGNED (Secretary of the State)	BY
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INSTRUCTIONS

One copy of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the Attorney General for his determination of legal sufficiency. Section 4-169 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Seventeen copies of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the standing Legislative Regulation Review Committee for its approval. Section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Each regulation must be in the form intended for publication and must include the appropriate regulation section number and section heading. Section 4-172 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Indicate by "(NEW)" in heading if new regulation. Amended regulations must contain new language in underlined and deleted language in brackets. Section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes.