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## New DOT Medical Examination Form Regulations

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New and recertification exams must use new Federal forms  
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The new Federal forms are: Medical Examination Report Form (MCSA-5875) and Medical Examiner's Certificate (Driving Card) Form (MCSA-5876)

The new forms can be found on this website link:

<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/medical/driver-medical-requirements/medical-applications-and-forms>

### NEW REGULATION:

1. All Medical Examiners (ME) will be required to use the same specified forms.
2. Form modification is prohibited. This means everyone must use the new forms without alteration. Our previous two page form must be replaced. The new one is five pages.
3. The present billfold sized card is going to be replaced by a much larger sized form which we will not be able to laminate.

### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR DRIVERS?

1. If it is determined during examination that a driver needs to provide the ME (OMA Physician) with additional medical information in order to be qualified, the ME can select the 'determination pending qualification' category, giving the driver 45 days to provide it.
  - a. When the additional information is returned within the 45 days the ME will determine based on the information provided whether or not the certification can be renewed.
  - b. With the new Federal forms, all that is allowed is the 45 day period of indeterminate status to clarify any additional needed medical information. If the information cannot be obtained/clarified within the 45 days, an entirely new medical exam is federally mandated.
  - c. *The same fee will be charged for a second examination due to the amount of work and time involved by the staff and physician to complete an entire new form and file with the federal government.*
2. If a driver has been provided a short-term (i.e. 3 or 6 months) Medical Examiner Certificate (MEC) by the ME (OMA Physician), the driver will need to have a second medical examination to receive the subsequent certificate. The ME (OMA Physician) will no longer be able to modify or extend certificates without a second physical examination.
3. Drivers caught with very short notice on certificate expiration will no longer be able to ask for an extension and will be required to have an examination and qualify for a new certificate before the expiration date in order to drive.