



Non-Domicile and Custom Harvester CDL Issuance

Driver License - CDL

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Overview

Individuals who are domiciled in a foreign jurisdiction (excluding Canada or Mexico) may be eligible to apply for a non-domiciled or custom harvester CDL / CLP. These Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) outline how to process the issuance of these credentials.

Purpose

This SOP provides instructions on how to process the issuance of non-domicile and custom harvester CDLs / CLPs.

Policy Statement

This SOP applies only to non-domiciled individuals applying for an Oklahoma Commercial Driver License (CDL) or Commercial Learner Permit (CLP).

Compliance

[47 O.S. § 6-101\(B\)\(5\) \(OSCN 2025\)](#) – Class Requirements for Driver Licenses (Custom Harvester)
[47 O.S. § 6-111 \(OSCN 2025\)](#) – Non-Domiciled Commercial Learner Permit
[49 CFR § 383.3\(f\)](#) – Restricted CDL for certain drivers in farm-related service industries
[49 CFR § 383.71\(f\)\(1\)](#) – Non-domiciled CLP and CDL

Systems

D360 – System of record used for issuing credentials.

Roles

List the roles and functions of anyone involved in the operations described within this document.

Role	Responsibilities
Driver License Examiner	Processes the transaction.
CDL Team	Waives the ELDT requirement for custom harvesters.



Non-Domicile CDL / CLP

According to [49 CFR § 383.71\(f\)\(1\)](#), non-domiciled Oklahoma Commercial Driver Licenses (CDL) and Commercial Learner Permits (CLP) may be issued to applicants who fit one of the following criteria:

1. The applicant is domiciled in a foreign jurisdiction other than Canada or Mexico
2. The applicant is domiciled in a State that is prohibited from issuing CLPs or CDLs in accordance with 49 CFR 384.405

Requirements for Non-Domicile

- Applicant must provide either:
 - An unexpired employment authorization document (EAD) issued by USCIS
 - OR an unexpired foreign passport accompanied by an approved I-94 form documenting the applicant's most recent admittance into the United States
- No proof of domicile is required for non-domicile applicants
- Applicant CANNOT be a citizen of Canada or Mexico
 - [Exception is made for applicants with DACA status](#). If the applicant is from Mexico with DACA status, they qualify for a non-domicile CLP/CDL.

Processing for Non-Domicile

Processing the issuance of a CDL or CLP for a non-domiciled applicant follows the same steps as for a typical CDL or CLP issuance—refer to “B.01 – Commercial Learner Permit (CLP) Issuance” SOP or “B.03 - CDL Upgrades” SOP for further instructions. Remember to scan the EAD or foreign passport and I-94 that the applicant is required to provide.



Custom Harvester CDL / CLP

Non-domiciled applicants, with either H2A or J1 status, who are employed on a farm may apply for a custom harvester CDL or CLP to operate a commercial motor vehicle, for the purpose of custom harvesting to and from their farm, to transport farm machinery and supplies used in the custom harvesting operation, or to transport custom harvested crops to storage or market.

Requirements for Custom Harvester

- Applicant must self-certify as **Excepted Intrastate** (EA) on the medical self-certification form and are NOT required to present a medical examiner's certificate (DOT medical card).
- Applicant must be 17 years of age or older.
- Applicant must present an unexpired foreign passport accompanied by an approved I-94 form documenting the applicant's most recent admittance into the United States
 - I-94 must include the address of the farm they are employed on. If the farm listed on the I-797 (I-94) is not in Oklahoma, the applicant must present a signed and dated letter from the farm in Oklahoma with the correct Oklahoma address.
 - Applicant may also present their visa; most commonly, applicants bring their foreign passport and I-797—at the bottom of the I-797, it will say I-94
- The maximum length of a custom harvester CDL/CLP is 210 days (or whatever SAVE shows, if there is a shorter approval date).
- **No endorsements** can be placed on a custom harvester license.
- Must have H2A or J1 status
 - Status is shown on the customer's I-94 or visa

Processing for Custom Harvester

Processing the issuance of a CDL or CLP for a non-domiciled, custom harvester applicant follows the same steps as for a typical CDL or CLP issuance. Remember to scan the foreign passport and I-94 that the applicant is required to provide. On the DL-18, make sure to note that the customer is employed on a farm as reasoning for their excepted self-certification status.

NOTE: Custom harvester applicants are not required to complete ELDT prior to their CDL skills test. If a CLP is issued for a custom harvester, the examiner must email the CDL team to waive their ELDT requirements.