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Handwritten Special Certificates

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New Information

On January 1, 2025, the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) stopped issuing **typed** driver's license (DL) special certificates.

NOTE: Employers may still encounter typed DL special certificates during the transitional phase.

Special Certificates

The following special certificates will be written in legible handwriting:

- Ambulance Driver Certificate (DL 61)
- Verification of Transit Training Document (DL 260A)
- Renewal or replacement Tow Truck Driver Certificate (DL 64)
- Pedicab Operator Certificate (DL 385)

Background

These changes are part of DMV's continuing efforts to improve customer service and expedite the special certificate process.

Distribution

Notification of this memo (available at **dmv.ca.gov** under Vehicle Industry Services) was sent through the California DMV Automated Email Alert System in March 2025 to:

- Employer Testing Program

Contact

Questions regarding this memo may be directed to Commercial Licensing Policy at (916) 657-6550.