

DMV extends expiring commercial driver's licenses through December

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California commercial drivers can continue delivering essential products and supplies during the COVID-19 pandemic without worrying about an expiring license following a new round of extensions today by the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

In accordance with updated guidance from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the DMV is issuing an extension through Dec. 31 to all commercial driver's licenses, learner's permits and endorsements expiring between March and Dec. 31. A previous extension had been set to expire at the end of September.

The DMV has alerted California law enforcement of the new extensions.

While the extension is automatic, eligible commercial drivers will not receive a new card or an extension in the mail. As an option, beginning Oct. 5, they can request a free temporary paper extension online at www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv-virtual-office/temporary-driver-license-extension to document their extension,

though one is not needed to drive. Commercial drivers who previously requested an extension through Sept. 30 may submit a new request to document the new expiration date.

Current, valid CDL and Commercial License Permit holders whose medical certifications expire on or after March 1 through May 31 have an extension until Oct. 31, and those expiring June 1, through Dec. 31 have an extension until Dec. 31 to obtain and submit a new, valid medical certificate.