

# GENERAL INSTRUCTION

License number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your CDL test will consist of **three parts**: the pre-test, basic skills and road skills test. You have **80 Minutes** to complete all three parts. For your **PRE-TRIP inspection**, you will thoroughly inspect **ALL** the required areas of the truck, just as you would on any day you were doing a pre-trip. The Examiner will show you which area of the truck you will be inspecting today. It is a **HANDS-ON** Test. You must grasp each part that you are inspecting, (Where Feasible), identify it and describe what you are inspecting it for. If you are inspecting a particular item for looseness be sure to push, pull and twist on it. You only score points for the properly inspected items. You will fail the pre-trip section if you do not score enough points, improperly inspect **CRITICAL** areas or commit an unsafe act. You will start your pre-trip inspection on the exterior. When you are finished the exterior, you will move to the interior. You will need to get underneath the vehicle for a proper inspection. **A tire gauge and a set of Wheel Chocks are required to test.** If you do not have both of these items, inform the Examiner right now so that your test can be rescheduled. A flashlight, tire tread gauge, gloves and eye protection are strongly recommended. You must pass the Pre-Trip to move on to the Off Road Skills. **\*\*\*For the Basic Skills section**, you will maneuver the truck through a series of exercises in the coned course. The maneuvers include turning, Backing and Parking. The Examiner will explain what exercise you will be doing and in what order. He will explain how you will maneuver the truck through the exercise. You will fail if you hit a cone, do not follow the instructions, get out of your seat to many times, or commit any unsafe act. If you score too many points you will fail this section. You **MUST** pass the Basic off road skills to advance to the Road skills. **\*\*\*For the Road Skills section**, you will drive the truck in normal traffic situations. You must follow instructions exactly. You cannot hit any cones in the testing area while driving in or out. You will fail this portion if you do not follow driving instructions, violate any traffic laws, strike any objects (Curbs), or commit any unsafe act.

## By signing below I understand that:

1. I have 80 minutes to complete the entire test.
  2. **The Pre-Trip is a hands-on test.** I must properly identify, touch & pull every part that I inspect. Tires, wheels, Brakes, Brake system tests and some other components are critical areas and will cause an automatic failure if I do not inspect them completely.
  3. The basic off road skills test will be terminated immediately if I do not follow instructions, hit any cone or object, drive out of bounds or commit an unsafe act.
  4. The road skills test requires that I maintain control of my vehicle at all times. If I violate any State or Local laws, I will fail my Road skills test. I may also be subject to Law Enforcement action. Stalling, driving over curbs or sidewalks, not following instructions and unsafe acts will cause a failure.
  5. I must wear a seatbelt **ANY TIME** the vehicle is in motion and failure to do so will cause a test failure.
  6. If I am not in the driver seat with my foot on the service brake, I must have either the wheels chocked or the parking brake engaged at all times.
  7. If weather or Road conditions become unsafe, my test can be stopped and rescheduled to another date.
- \*\* CHEATING or CO-driver assistance WILL cause a failure.**  
**\*\*\*\*\*An UNSAFE ACT is any event that jeopardizes the safety of any PERSON OR PROPERTY. Committing any unsafe act WILL cause an immediate failure and termination of the test. These include but are not limited to:\*\*\*\*\***

- Allowing the vehicle to roll while not under control.
- Not using wheel chocks when required.
- Going under the vehicle that does not have the wheels chocked.
- Driving over, or any attempt to drive over the wheel chocks.
- Not maintaining 3 points of contact while entering or exiting the truck
- Stalling the vehicle during the road skills test.
- Driving off course or not following Examiner Instructions while driving or moving the vehicle.
- Speeding in the testing area
- Any near miss traffic collision or event that requires another driver to avoid your vehicle.

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicants name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_