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Nebraska Requirements for Current Qualified Drivers of Pupil Transportation Vehicles and Their Employers

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	Routes	Activities Only	Routes & Activities	Routes & Activities	Activities Only				
Requirements to Maintain Status as a Qualified Pupil Transportation Driver:									
DMV License	Operator's License Class O	Operator's License Class O	Operator's License Class O	CDL - Passenger and School Bus Endorsements (FMCSA Part 383)	CDL - Passenger and School Bus Endorsements (FMCSA Part 383)				
	Medical Exam -valid for 2 years (unless shorter time frame is set by medical examiner)	Not required	Medical Exam -valid for 2 years (unless shorter time frame is set by medical examiner)	Medical Exam - valid for 2 years (unless shorter time frame is set by medical examiner)	Medical Exam - valid for 2 years (unless shorter time frame is set by medical examiner)				
Medical Exams	Provide employer with Medical Exam Short Form	Not required	Provide employer with Medical Exam Short Form	Provide employer with Medical Exam Short Form	Provide employer with Medical Exam Short Form				
	Notify employer if Medical Exam becomes invalid due to medical issue.	Not required	Notify employer if Medical Exam becomes invalid due to medical issue.	Notify employer if Medical Exam becomes invalid due to medical issue.	Notify employer if Medical Exam becomes invalid due to medical issue.				
Training	Successfully complete Level ll Instructional Course every 5 years	Level training not required Basic First Aid	Successfully complete Level ll Instructional Course every 5 years	Successfully complete Level ll Instructional Course every 5 years	Successfully complete Level ll Instructional Course every 5 years				

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Maintain Driver Documentation Confirm Expiration Dates	Valid Driver Medical Exams If a driver's medical exam becomes invalid, that driver must be removed from service until valid exam on file	Not required	Valid Driver Medical Exams If a driver's medical exam becomes invalid, that driver must be removed from service until valid exam on file	Valid Driver Medical Exams If a driver's medical exam becomes invalid, that driver must be removed from service until valid exam on file	Valid Driver Medical Exams If a driver's medical exam becomes invalid, that driver must be removed from service until valid exam on file
	Drivers' Level I/II Instructional Course Completion Document provided by Nebr. Safety Center	Not required	Drivers' Level I/II Instructional Course Completion Document provided by Nebr. Safety Center	Drivers' Level I/II Instructional Course Completion Document provided by Nebr. Safety Center	Drivers' Level I/II Instructional Course Completion Document provided Nebr. Safety Center
Driving Record Request from DMV	Required annually	Required annually	Required annually	Required annually	Required annually
Criminal History Checks	Obtain every 5 years	Considered best practice but not required	Obtain every 5 years	Obtain every 5 years	Obtain every 5 years
In-Service Training Provided by Employer	Annual In-Service: Minimum of 2 hours	Annual In- Service: Minimum of 2 hours.	Annual In-Service: Minimum of 2 hours	Annual In-Service: Minimum of 2 hours	Annual In-Service: Minimum of 2 hours