

Insulin Dependent School Bus Drivers

Motor Carrier Safety Appeal
Board

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- Driver fails DOT Physical due to insulin use.
- The employer determines if they will support the driver operating their school buses with a medical waiver. They are not required to.
- A waiver packet is submitted to the State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division Medical Waiver Unit.

Waiver Packet to be submitted includes

- MC-027 Application for Intrastate Medical Waiver
- MC-028 Physician's Statement of Examination
- MC-029 Vision Specialist Statement of Examination
- DOT Medical Examination Report
- 60 days of blood sugar readings

- Employment application
- Driving record
- Copy of accident reports for any accidents applicant has been involved in the last five years.
- May submit any other documentation to support application.

Common Problems

- Incomplete forms. All information requested is required.
- Each medical document must be completed by a different medical professional.
- Paperwork too old. All exams must be completed within the prior 60 days.
- Missing documentation. No blood sugar reading, driving record, crash report...

Appeal Board Meeting

- After the complete packet is submitted, the driver will be scheduled to attend the next appeal board meeting.
- The driver must attend or a waiver will not be approved.
- The employer is encouraged to attend.
- The waiver will be approved or denied at the meeting.

General Information

- The appeal board meets the third Wednesday of the month in January, April, July, and October.
- The application packet is due two weeks before the appeal board hearing.
- The original waiver will generally be valid for one year or less.

General Information (cont.)

- The waiver is only valid for the company (school district) listed on the waiver.
- The waiver is only valid for intrastate operations. (Within Michigan)
- Driver may have more than one waiver.

Renewal

- Same packet is required except instead of an employment application, a list of accidents and sick time used since last waiver was issued is required.
- Unless something unusual happened, the applicant does not have to attend another appeal board hearing.

Additional Information

- Michigan Department of Education Web Page. www.michigan.gov/mde Click on the Pupil Transportation link.
- Michigan Dept. of State Police Web Page. www.michigan.gov/motorcarrier Click on the Intrastate Medical Waiver Program link.
- Michigan State Police Medical Waiver Unit
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