

VIII. Conclusion

Based upon its evaluation of the 14 exemption applications, FMCSA exempts the following drivers from the epilepsy and seizure disorder prohibition in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(8), subject to the requirements cited above:

Walter Albaugh (MA)
Cadan Asterino (AZ)
Alexander Blakes (MD)
Anthony Fertitta (MA)
Cody Ford (MI)
Cooper Franklin (NC)
Terry Gribbons (KY)
Andrew Horton (WA)
Bryel Johnson (ID)
Stephen Kelley (VA)
Jacob McNally (CT)
Joshua Trainum (PA)
Shawn Tupick (NH)
Velvel Zhivov (NY)

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(b), and FMCSA's policy of issuing medical exemptions for a 2-year period to correspond with the medical certificate, each exemption will be valid for 2 years from the effective date unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if the following occurs: (1) the person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption, as set forth above; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained prior to being granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of Title 49, chapter 313 or section 31136.

Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2026-1552]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Renewal of an Approved Information Collection: Accident Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

review and approval and invites public comment. FMCSA requests approval to renew the ICR titled "Accident Recordkeeping Requirements." This ICR relates to Agency requirements that motor carriers maintain a record of accidents involving their commercial motor vehicles (CMVs). Motor carriers are not required to report this data to FMCSA, but must produce it upon inquiry by authorized Federal, State or local officials.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 9, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Docket Number FMCSA-2026-1552 using any of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Dockets Operations; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W58-213, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- **Hand Delivery or Courier:** Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W58-213, Washington, DC 20590-0001 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- **Fax:** (202) 493-2251.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bernadette Walker, FMCSA, Driver and Carrier Operations Division, DOT, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 507-0363; bernadette.walker@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2026-1552), indicate the specific section of this document to which your comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/>

[FMCSA-2026-1552/document](#), click on this notice, click "Comment," and type your comment into the text box on the following screen.

If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing.

FMCSA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its regulatory process. DOT posts these comments, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov as described in the system of records notice DOT/ALL 14 (Federal Docket Management System (FDMS)), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/individuals/privacy/act-system-records-notices>. The comments are posted without edits and are searchable by the name of the submitter.

Background

Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), section 390.15(b), requires motor carriers to make certain specified records and information pertaining to CMV accidents available to an authorized representative or special agent of FMCSA upon request or as part of an inquiry. Motor carriers are required to maintain an "accident register" consisting of information concerning all "accidents" involving their CMVs (§ 390.15(b) (see "Definition: Accident" below)). The following information must be recorded for each accident: date, location, driver name, number of injuries, number of fatalities, and whether certain dangerous hazardous materials were released. In addition, the motor carrier must maintain copies of all accident reports required by insurers or governmental entities. Motor carriers must maintain this information for 3 years after the date of the accident. Section 390.15 does not require motor carriers to submit any information or records to FMCSA or any other party.

This ICR supports the DOT strategic goal of safety. By requiring motor carriers to gather and record information concerning CMV accidents, FMCSA is strengthening its ability to assess the safety performance of motor carriers. This information is a valuable resource in Agency initiatives to prevent, and reduce the severity of, CMV crashes.

The Agency has modified several of its estimates for this ICR. The estimated

number of annual respondents, responses, burden hours, and annual costs to respondents have increased. Explanations for these changes are summarized below.

The currently approved number of annual respondents is 93,280. This renewal increases the number of annual respondents per year to 115,547. This estimate is based on the average of all interstate and intrastate motor carriers associated with crashes reported in MCMIS for each calendar year from 2023 through 2025.

The currently approved burden is 48,760 burden hours. The Agency increased its estimate to 51,661 burden hours. The adjustment in annual burden hours is due to a updated estimate of the number of reportable accidents from 162,533 to 172,203 per year, using interstate and intrastate DOT-reportable motor carrier crash records in MCMIS for calendar years 2023 through 2025.

The updated version of this ICR includes estimated labor costs associated with maintaining the Accident Register. The current labor cost associated with maintaining the Accident Register is \$1,507,169. The Agency increased its estimate to \$1,534,344.

Finally, the estimated annual cost associated with accident recordkeeping (outside of labor costs) increased from \$93,944 to \$99,107. FMCSA assumes that (1) approximately 15 percent of motor carriers are storing their Accident Registers electronically, at no extra cost, and (2) approximately 85 percent of motor carriers are storing hard copy versions of their Accident Registers. FMCSA further assumes that motor carriers that maintain paper records store their Accident Registers at their primary place of business, so that they have easy access to such records during an FMCSA investigation.

Title: Accident Recordkeeping Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 2126-0009.

Type of Request: Renewal of a currently approved ICR.

Respondents: Motor carriers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 115,547.

Estimated Time per Response: 18 minutes.

Expiration Date: March 31, 2027.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 51,661 (172,203 accidents × 18 minutes per response ÷ 60 minutes per hour).

Definitions: *Accident* is an occurrence involving a CMV operating on a public road which results in: (1) A fatality, (2) bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from

the scene of the accident, or (3) one or more motor vehicles incurring disabling damage as a result of the accident, requiring the motor vehicle(s) to be transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other motor vehicle (\$ 390.5T).

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the performance of FMCSA's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The Agency will summarize or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this ICR.

Issued under the authority of 49 CFR 1.87.

Nicole S. Michel,

Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Research and Registration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2024-0026; FMCSA-2025-0009; FMCSA-2026-0044]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of applications for exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 18 individuals for an exemption from the prohibition in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) against persons with a clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition that is likely to cause a loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) to drive in interstate commerce. If granted, the exemptions would enable these individuals who have had one or more seizures and are taking anti-seizure medication to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 9, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Docket No. FMCSA-2024-

0026, FMCSA-2025-0009, or FMCSA-2026-0044 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to www.regulations.gov, insert the docket number (FMCSA-2024-0026, FMCSA-2025-0009, or FMCSA-2026-0044) in the keyword box and click "Search." Next, choose the only notice listed, and click on the "Comment" button. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W58-213, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W58-213, Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Fax:* (202) 493-2251.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, FMCSA, DOT, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001; (202) 366-4001; fmcsamedical@dot.gov. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

A. Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2024-0026, FMCSA-2025-0009, or FMCSA-2026-0044), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2024-0026>, FMCSA-2025-0009, or FMCSA-2026-0044. Next, choose the only notice listed, click the "Comment" button, and type your comment into the text box on the following screen. Choose whether you are submitting your