### TZD COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE PARTY BUSES AND PASSENGER CARRIERS

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### Minnesota driver's license

- Class "D" driver's license;
  - Valid for any single unit with a GVW of 26,000 lbs or less, recreational vehicles, & farm vehicles.
  - May tow trailers up to 10,000 pounds GVW, or
  - May tow trailers greater than 10,000 pounds if the combined GVW is 26,000 lbs or less.







### Minnesota driver's license MS 171.02

### ■ Class "C" driver's license

 Valid for any single unit with a GVW of 26,000 lbs. or less requiring a hazardous materials, school bus or passenger endorsement (designed to transport more than 15, including the driver)







### Minnesota driver's license

- Class "B" driver's license;
  - Valid for any single unit in excess of 26,000 lbs.
  - Passenger endorsements for vehicles designed to transport more than 15, including the driver (16 or more total)
  - May tow a trailer with a GVW of 10,000 lbs. or less.





### Minnesota driver's license

- □ Class "A" driver's license;
  - Valid for any single unit or combination.
  - Passenger endorsements for vehicles designed to transport more than 15, including the driver (16 or more total)







### **CDL** Restrictions

- New restrictions must be added to the CDL depending upon the vehicle being used for the road test
- Restriction code letters standardized for all states
- Anything different needs to be spelled out and explained on the license

### **CDL** Restrictions



E -

### Not valid for CMVs with a manual transmission

- An automatic transmission includes any transmission other than a manual transmission as defined in 383.5.
  - A transmission utilizing a driver-operated clutch that is activated by a pedal or lever and a gear-shift mechanism operated either by hand or foot. All other transmissions, whether semi-automatic or automatic, will be considered automatic.

### **CDL** Restrictions

L-

Not valid for CMVs with air brakes



- Must pass air brake knowledge test.
- Must pass road test in a CMV that operates fully or partially on air brakes.

### CDL Restrictions

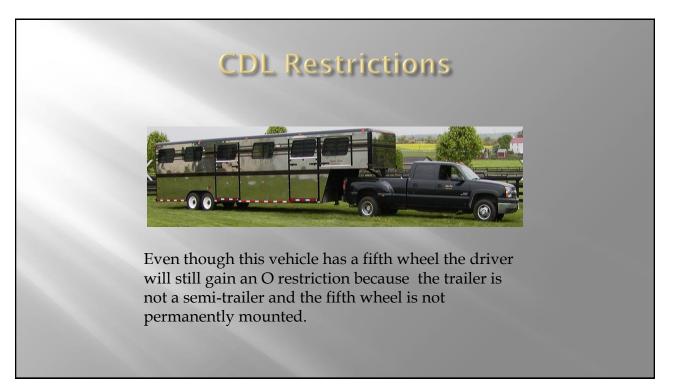
Z -

### Not valid for CMVs with full air brakes



- Passed test with a partial air brake system, air over hydraulic brake systems are not common
- Most military trucks are equipped with this system



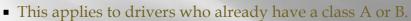


## K Intrastate only • Drivers under 21 • Drivers with MNDOT or DVS school bus waiver V Drivers with medical waivers issued by FMCSA

### **CDL** Restrictions

N -

Not valid for buses over 26,001 GVWR



 If an applicant takes a road test in a class C passenger vehicle, they may not operate a class A or B passenger vehicle.



### **CDL** Restrictions

M -



Not Valid for class A passenger bus.

• This only applies to class A drivers.

• If the applicant takes a road test in a class B passenger vehicle, they may not

operate a class A passenger vehicle.



# For Hire Passenger Carriers & Party Buses!

### **Endorsement Required?**

-Passenger (P) Endorsement required when the vehicle is "designed to transport" 16 or more passengers, including the driver

-School Bus (S) Endorsement required when the bus is transporting pupils to or from a school, or a school related activity

in MN



### Open Bottle

MN Statute 169A.35 Allows the consumption of alcoholic beverages

-A Bus that is operated by a motor carrier of Passengers

- A vehicle providing limousine services



### MN Statute 221.0252 Subd 4(b) Intrastate for-hire regulated passenger carriers must carry a copy of their permit



### MN Statute 221.131 Subd 2(c) - All intrastate passenger carriers must also carry a copy of their vehicle identifier





### Cell Phone usage on buses

- -FMCSR 390.80 Prohibits Texting while driving in buses or any other commercial motor vehicle
- -FMCSR 390.82 Prohibits using a hand-held mobile telephone while driving a bus or any other commercial motor vehicle
- -MN Statute 169.443 Subd 9 prohibits operating a school bus while communicating over, or otherwise operating a cellular phone for personal reasons.

