

APPENDIX B – STANDARDIZED INSTRUCTIONS

MODERNIZED CDL VEHICLE INSPECTION TEST GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please demonstrate that you know how to conduct a vehicle inspection of all safety critical items, as you would normally do for any vehicle you are about to operate. You are to conduct the vehicle inspection as outlined in the CDL Driver's Manual.

You are only required to inspect the items on the CDL Vehicle Inspection checklist. The State of Kansas does not allow the use of a checklist during the test, however.

As you do your inspection, you **MUST** name each item, touch or point to the item or items you are inspecting, and **FULLY EXPLAIN** what you are inspecting each safety critical item for. If you do not do so, you will not get credit.

During the test, you will only inspect items down the: [Truck – driver's side of vehicle].
[Bus – passenger side of vehicle].

If there are any items that are unique to the other side of the vehicle, please inspect those items as well. When inspecting the operation of the lights, inspect ALL lights on the vehicle.

[Truck: When exiting the vehicle during the test, you must set your parking brake(s) and place the vehicle in neutral. When entering and exiting the vehicle, safely enter and exit by facing the vehicle and maintaining three points of contact at all times.]

[Bus: When entering/exiting the bus, safely enter and exit by facing forward and maintaining a firm grasp on the handrail.]

You will begin your test with the External Light Operations Check followed by the In-Vehicle/Engine Start Procedures.

Do you have any questions?

CDL ROAD TEST GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

During this road test, you will demonstrate your ability to operate a commercial vehicle in most road situations using the techniques described in the CDL driver's manual. During the road test, continue straight ahead unless otherwise directed. I will give you directions as far in advance as possible. If you do not understand my directions, do not hesitate to ask for clarification. I will not ask you to do anything that is unsafe or illegal. You are responsible for the safe operation of this vehicle at all times. During the test I will be making marks on the test form, this does not necessarily mean that you have done something wrong. Do you have any questions?

If using simulated activities: Also, at some point during the test I will point out a landmark and ask you to describe the techniques that you would use for crossing railroad tracks or performing a school student discharge.

Railroad Crossing: Imagine that the (*point of reference*) ahead is a railroad crossing on a four-lane road. When you reach this point, describe, and demonstrate the procedures that you would use to cross railroad tracks on a four-lane road (HAZMAT, Standard or Passenger). Do you have any questions?


Simulated Student Discharge: Imagine that the (*point of reference*) ahead is a bus stop. Describe and demonstrate the procedures that you would use for discharging school students. Do you have any questions?

MODERNIZED CDL BASIC CONTROL SKILLS TEST GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

For the Basic Control Skills test, you will demonstrate your ability to maneuver a commercial vehicle around other objects as described in Section 12M of the CDL Driver's Manual. You will receive points for changing direction to gain a better position, crossing over or touching boundary lines or cones, and for your final position. You will be permitted to exit the vehicle to check around the vehicle during **backing** exercises. When exiting or entering the vehicle, you **MUST** set your parking brake, place the vehicle in neutral, and safely exit/enter: [Truck - facing vehicle while maintaining three points of contact at all times].

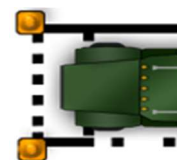
[Bus – facing forward while firmly gripping handrail].

If you open the door or move from a seated position, including walking to the rear of your vehicle to get a better view if on a bus, you will be scored for a look.


You must complete the exercise as directed. If you hear my whistle or see me raise my hand (like this ) , stop immediately and wait for further instruction on returning within the exercise boundary lines. I will give you specific instructions for each exercise prior to performing them. Do you have any questions?

Step 1 – Forward Stop

You will demonstrate your ability to judge the front of your vehicle during a controlled stop. Drive forward through the alley and stop with the front most part of the vehicle in the box at the end of the alley without going past it. (**POINT to the front part of the vehicle that will be scored**). You may stop only once. When you have stopped, set your parking brake, shift to neutral and sound the horn. Do you have any questions?



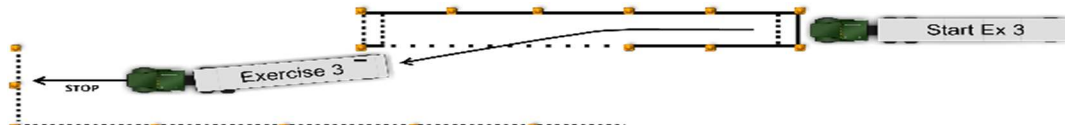
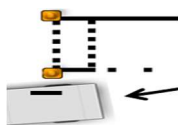
Step 2 – Straight Line Backing

You will demonstrate your ability to back a vehicle in a straight line. Pull forward and stop when I raise my hand (like this ) or blow my whistle. Then, back straight through the alley until the front of your vehicle has cleared the last set of cones at the far end of the alley. You are allowed one free pull-up and may safely exit the vehicle only one time to check around the vehicle. Set your parking brake, shift to neutral, and sound your horn when you have completed the exercise. Do you have any questions?



Step 3 – Forward Offset Tracking

You will demonstrate your ability to maneuver a vehicle around other objects while moving forward. Drive forward and steer to the left through the opening into the opposite lane, keeping the right most rear tire between the cone and the line. **This maneuver shall be performed in one motion UNLESS an encroachment occurs.** In the event of an encroachment, you will need to clear the boundary. There are NO free back-ups, and you are NOT permitted to exit the vehicle during this exercise. Stop your vehicle when you are parallel to the outer boundary, prior to or at the cones at the far end of the exercise. Set your parking brake, shift to neutral, and sound your horn when you have completed the exercise. Do you have any questions?



Step 4 – Reverse Offset Backing

You will demonstrate your ability to offset back and park a vehicle at the end of an alley. Starting parallel with the outer boundary, offset back into the alley, bringing the rear most part of your vehicle within three feet of the rear of the alley. Stop with the rear most part of the vehicle in the box. (**POINT to the rear part of the vehicle that will be scored**.) Your vehicle must be completely within the defined exercise boundaries when completed. You may not go beyond the outer boundary line (point to boundary line). You are allowed two free pull-ups and may exit the vehicle a maximum of two times to check around the vehicle during this exercise. When you have completed the exercise, set your parking brake, shift to neutral and sound your horn. Do you have any questions?

