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NEW STREAMLINED DRIVER EDUCATION FORM
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **Can public and commercial driver schools continue to use Forms 611 and 611A?**

   Driver's License Offices will accept both the new form and Forms 611 and 611A indefinitely. Schools that still have Forms 611 and 611A should feel free to continue using those forms while supplies last.

2. **What should public and commercial driver schools use for the school seal/crest on the new form?**

   For the school seal/crest on the new form, public and commercial driving schools may use any unique custom stamp or embossment tool. Any color ink is acceptable for use as long as it is easy for license examiners to determine that the form has been stamped and is not a photo copy. Digital seals are not permitted.

3. **Can the forms be preprinted with the public or commercial driving school seal or stamp?**

   The new, streamlined form is based on the form that public driving schools have been using for students that complete the driver's education requirements through a public school training program. Driver's License Offices are already familiar with this type of form and the school stamp or embossed seal is used by Driver's License Offices to quickly verify that the form is authentic. If the seal or stamp were preprinted on the form, it would be difficult for Driver's License Offices to quickly verify the authenticity of the form. However, to make the process easier, nothing prevents public or commercial driving schools from preparing pre-printed and *pre-stamped* or *pre-embossed* forms for their instructors to complete.

4. **What number should schools use for the Administrative number?**

   For the Administrative number, public driving schools should use their identifying six-digit public school code. Commercial driving schools should use the commercial school license number issued by NCDMV.

5. **Are students still required to complete 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction?**

   To be eligible for a Learner's Permit or Provisional License, students under the age of 18 must complete 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction. Driver's License Offices will still require that students present authentic forms showing that they have completed both requirements. Similar to Forms 611

and 611A, students may present two separate forms demonstrating that they have completed both requirements if needed. Students are allowed to complete the classroom instruction and behind the wheel instruction concurrently.

6. **How will the form be transferred between driving schools if a student completes requirements with two different schools?**

   Similar to Forms 611 and 611A, for students who complete the classwork and driving requirements at different schools, a school may issue the new form to the student with the section completed for the phase of training that was completed (either the classroom instruction or the behind the wheel instruction). Students can present two copies of this form to Driver's License Offices to demonstrate that they have completed each of the phases with a different school (similar to Form 611 and 611A). If a commercial driving school is collaborating with a public school unit on delivering behind the wheel instruction for students who have completed classroom instruction with the public school, the commercial driving school and the public school unit may both complete separate forms for the student.

7. **Can a student under the age of 18 legally sign the Form?**

   Yes. While students did not have to sign Forms 611 and 611-A, a student signature has been required on the form that public driving schools have been using previously.

8. **Should the driving instructor's name be printed on the form so it is legible?**

   Forms 611 and 611A did not require that the instructor's name be printed; only the instructor's signature was required. The school seal and administrative number will identify the form regardless of if the instructor's signature is legible.

9. **Why are communications from the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction coming from the Director of School Nutrition and Auxiliary Services?**

   Within NCDPI, the Driver Education program is administratively housed in the Office of School Nutrition and Auxiliary Services.

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