

281A.150 Applicants to apply in person -- Fees -- Acceptance of payment methods.

- (1) Every person seeking a commercial driver's license or a commercial learner's permit shall first apply in person to the cabinet. The application shall be in the form prescribed by KRS 281A.140 as provided by the cabinet. Except as provided in KRS 281A.160(6), each time a person applies for a commercial driver's license, a commercial learner's permit, or seeks to upgrade or change his or her commercial driver's license, the person shall be required to:
 - (a) Update the application; and
 - (b) Submit the appropriate fee to the cabinet.
- (2) In addition to the fees for an operator's license under KRS 186.531, the cabinet shall set fees by administrative regulation, in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A, for the following applications that shall not exceed:
 - (a) Forty dollars (\$40) for each application for a commercial driver's license. The fee shall be based on the class, type of license, endorsement, restriction, or tests to be taken;
 - (b) Thirty-five dollars (\$35) for each application for a commercial learner's permit;
 - (c) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for each application for a change or addition in class or type of license, endorsement, or restriction; and
 - (d) Forty dollars (\$40) for each application for a duplicate if it is the first duplicate applied for within the time period for which the original license was issued. Sixty dollars (\$60) for a second or subsequent duplicate applied for within the time period for which the original license was issued. The fees required for a duplicate shall be in addition to fees charged under subsection (2)(c) of this section.
- (3) In addition to the fees for an operator's license KRS 186.531, the cabinet shall set fees by administrative regulation in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A, for the following commercial driver's licenses that shall not exceed:
 - (a) Forty-five dollars (\$45) for each initial or renewal of a commercial driver's license;
 - (b) Sixty dollars (\$60) for each transfer of a commercial driver's license; and
 - (c) Thirty dollars (\$30) for each initial or renewal of a commercial driver's license with an "S" endorsement.
- (4) All fees remitted to the cabinet shall be nonrefundable regardless of whether the applicant completes the requirements for a commercial driver's license or is tested.
- (5) All fees collected for the issuance of a commercial driver's license or a commercial learner's permit shall be deposited into trust and agency accounts to be used exclusively for the administration and implementation of this chapter, except as prescribed in subsection (6) of this section. The accounts shall not lapse but shall be continuing from year to year.
- (6) All fees collected pursuant to this section shall be allocated between the Transportation Cabinet and Department of Kentucky State Police, except a fifty cent (\$0.50) issuance fee shall be allocated to the general fund from issuance of a

commercial driver's license permit and a three dollar (\$3) issuance fee shall be allocated to the general fund from issuance of a commercial driver's license.

- (7) Any applicant who seeks reinstatement of his or her commercial driving privilege after a suspension, withdrawal, revocation, or disqualification shall pay a reinstatement fee of fifty dollars (\$50) in addition to those fees required by subsection (2) of this section and shall satisfy the requirements of KRS 281A.160. This fee shall not be required if his or her commercial driving privilege was withdrawn only as a result of the withdrawal of his or her privilege to drive a noncommercial motor vehicle.
- (8) As payment for any fee identified in this section, the cabinet:
 - (a) Shall accept cash and personal checks; and
 - (b) May accept other methods of payment in accordance with KRS 45.345.

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