



NON-DOMICILED CDL STATUS UPDATE

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California DMV Delays Cancelling CDLs for 60 Days

The **California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)** announced on December 30, 2025 that the agency has **extended the cancellation date for approximately 17,000 nondomiciled CDLs by an additional 60 days, from January 6 to March 6.** CDL holders who received a letter that their CDL would be cancelled after January 5 will receive another letter informing them of the extension.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy denounced the state's decision to issue an extension, but California is moving forward with it regardless of federal opposition.

The situation remains fluid and CTA will notify members of any changes as information becomes available.

What You Can Do Now

Your residency/citizenship status	Your next step	Will I be charged an additional fee?
If you do not have permanent residency or U.S. citizenship:	Apply for a noncommercial driver's license by the date on your letter by visiting a DMV office.	The fee will be waived with a copy of your letter.
If you have permanent residency or U.S. citizenship:	Apply for a commercial driver's license by the date on your letter by visiting a DMV office.	The fee will be waived with a copy of your letter.
If you are a driver domiciled in Mexico or Canada, and you do not participate in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program:	Apply for a noncommercial driver's license by the date on your letter by visiting a DMV office.	The fee will be waived with a copy of your letter.

For DMV field office visits, **make an appointment** and **complete an online application** prior to your appointment.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to **Nick Chiappe** at nchiappe@caltrux.org.