

DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE

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Roll Call

- Use the chat pod to tell us your name, role, and State



Agenda

1 OVERVIEW

- RECAP: Clearinghouse-II requirements for SDLAs

2 CONNECTING TO THE CLEARINGHOUSE

- Data Exchange Options
- SDLA logged-in view of Clearinghouse

3 STATE REPORT-OUT

- Updates on Clearinghouse-II implementation progress

4 Q&A

Clearinghouse-II SDLA Requirements

1. Non-Issuance

- SDLA must query the Clearinghouse prior to issuing, renewing, transferring, or upgrading a CDL or CLP
- SDLA must deny a commercial license transaction (non-issuance) if the Clearinghouse query shows a driver is prohibited



No later than

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Clearinghouse-II SDLA Requirements

2. Mandatory CDL Downgrade

- SDLA will receive notification of a driver's prohibited status
- SDLA must initiate the process to remove a CLP or CDL privilege (downgrade)
- FMCSA will notify the SDLA if a driver completes return-to-duty process (no longer prohibited)
- FMCSA will notify the SDLA if an erroneously entered violation is removed
 - SDLA must reinstate commercial driving privilege
 - SDLA to expunge driving record accordingly



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Data Exchange Options: Goals

- Meet the requirements of the rule
- Allow SDLAs flexibility in implementation
- Offer both automated and manual options for requesting driver data

“Direct Connect” Data Exchange Options

State Clearinghouse Query

SDLA must query the Clearinghouse prior to issuing, renewing, transferring, or upgrading a CDL or CLP

Pull Method	Data Available
1. REST service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Driver status Current prohibited drivers, by State Status changes within date range, by State
2. Web interface (log in to Clearinghouse website)	

Notifications from FMCSA

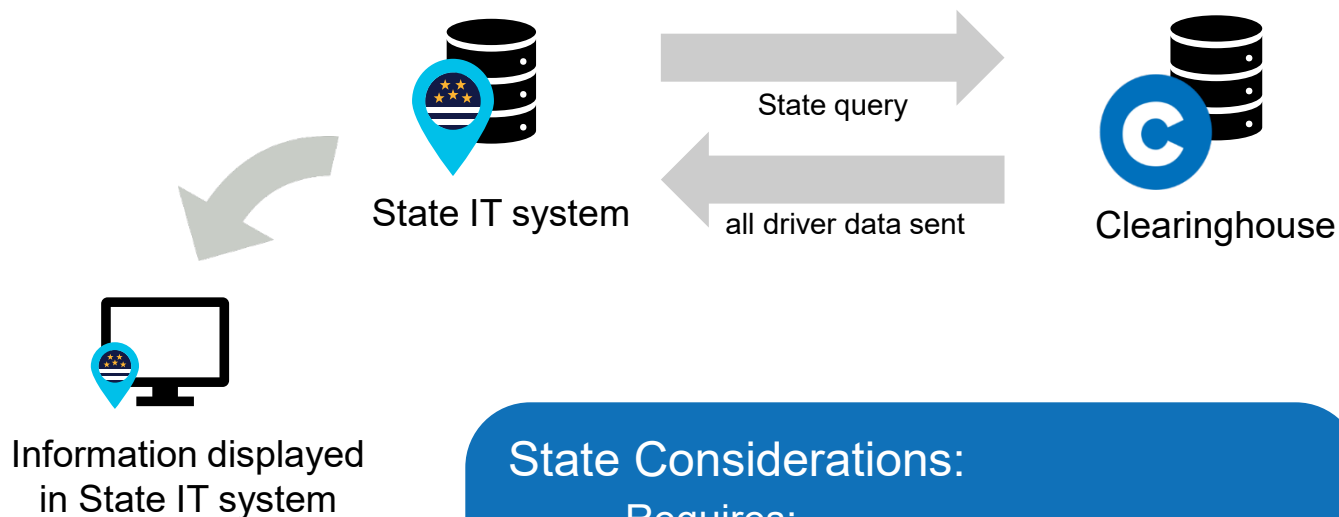
SDLA will receive notification of a driver’s prohibited status (or change to not prohibited)

Push Method	Data Sent
1. Machine-to-machine	All driver data: status, time, identifying information
2. Machine-read email*	Driver status, time, driver ID (no PII)
3. Person-read email*	

**Pull also needed to obtain add driver data*

States may also choose to work with AAMVA

Pull Option 1: REST Service

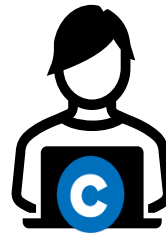


State Considerations:

— Requires:

- SDLA IT system, must grant FMCSA access
- Interconnection Security Agreement (ISA)
- Access credentials

Pull Option 2: Web Interface

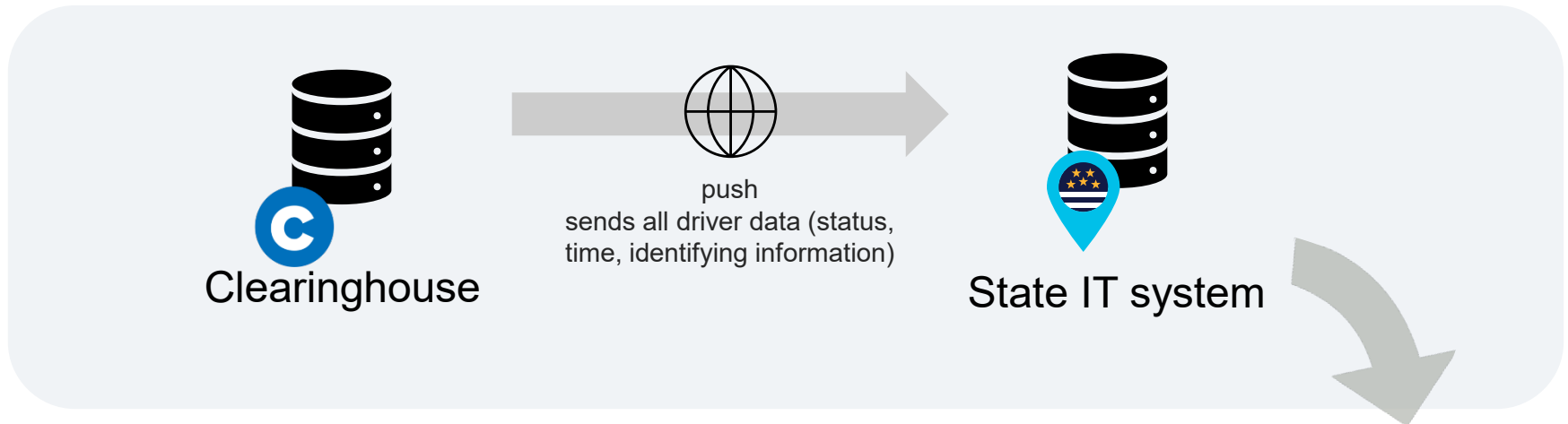


SDLA staff member logs in to
Clearinghouse website

State Considerations:

- Does not require SDLA IT system or ISA
- Requires:
 - An email address
 - Portal account for *each user*

Push Option 1: Machine-to-Machine



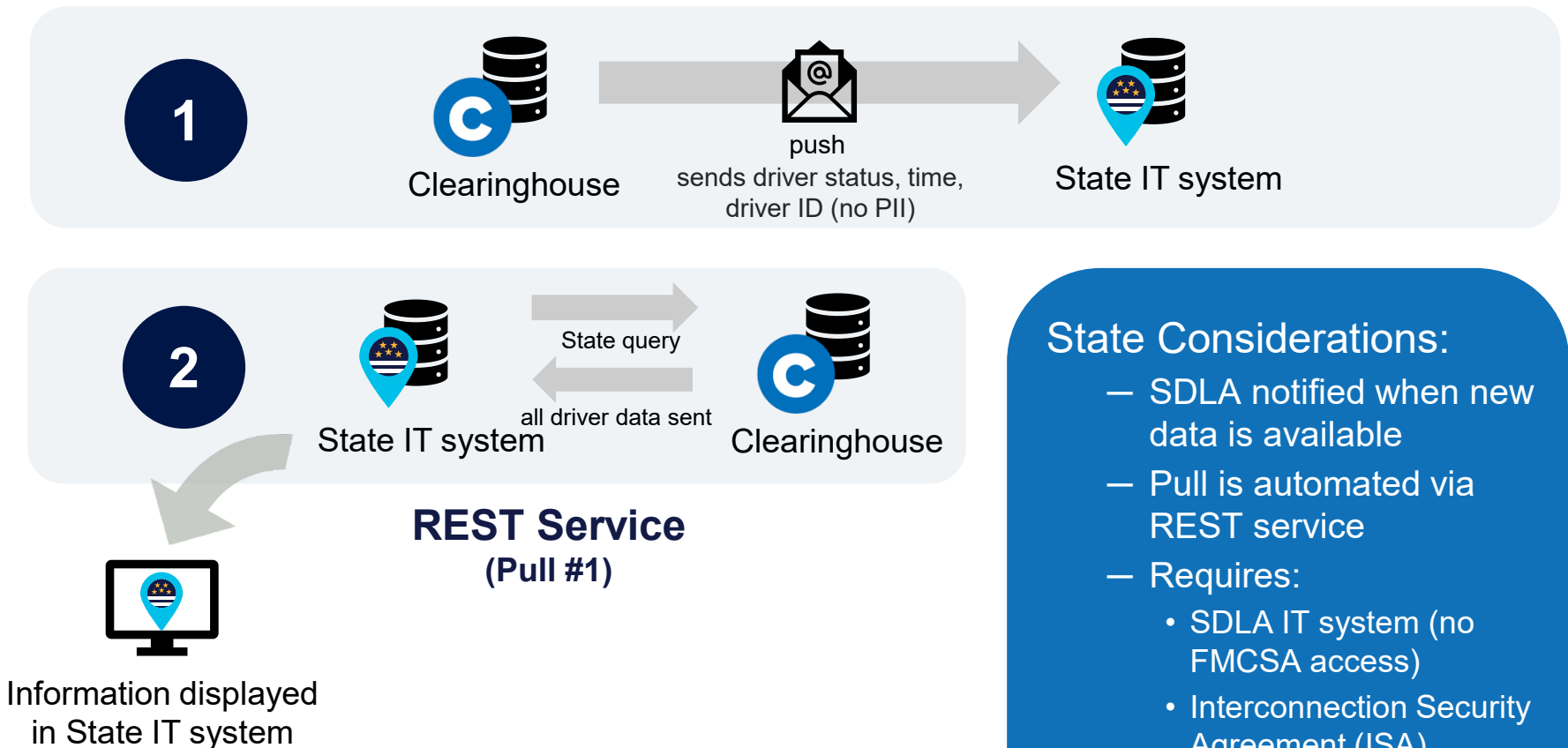
State Considerations:

- One-step process, all data is included in push
- Requires:
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 - Interconnection Security Agreement (ISA)
 - Access credentials



Information displayed in
State IT system

Push Option 2: Machine-Read Email (Push/Pull)



Push Option 3: Person-Read Email (Push/Pull)

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Clearinghouse



push
sends driver status,
time, driver ID (no PII),
include link to Clearinghouse



SDLA staff member

2



SDLA staff member logs in
to Clearinghouse website

Web Interface
(Pull #2)

State Considerations:

- SDLA notified via email message when new data is available
- Does not require SDLA IT system or ISA
- Requires an email address and Portal account for *each user*

Resources for Connecting to the Clearinghouse

- Available Direct Connect Resources:
 - Updated Web Services Development Handbook
 - Open API Spec for States exploring the “direct connect to the Clearinghouse” option.

Connect to the Clearinghouse

States have the option to establish a direct connection between their State IT system and the Clearinghouse. The guide below provides the information States will need to set up this connection.

- Download the [Clearinghouse Web Development Handbook v1.2](#)
- Download the [Open API Spec](#)
- **COMING SOON:** Interconnection Security Agreement (ISA), which will be required for connecting State IT systems with the Clearinghouse.

Note: This handbook is currently in draft form. We encourage States to send their feedback for consideration in future versions. If you have questions or comments, please send them to [the Clearinghouse Team](#).

States also have the option to use an AAMVA-provided service to establish this connection.

- Visit <https://clearinghouse.fmcsa.dot.gov/Resource/Page/SDLA-Resources>
- Coming Soon: Interconnection Security Agreement (ISA)
- States also have the option to use an AAMVA-provided service (specifications coming August 2023)

“Direct Connect” Data Exchange Options

- States must select at least 1 push method and 1 pull method

State Pull/Query

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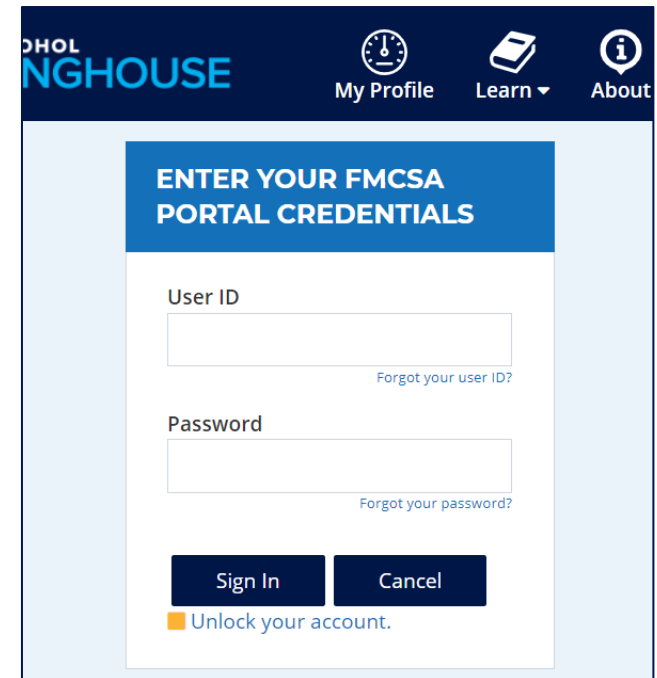
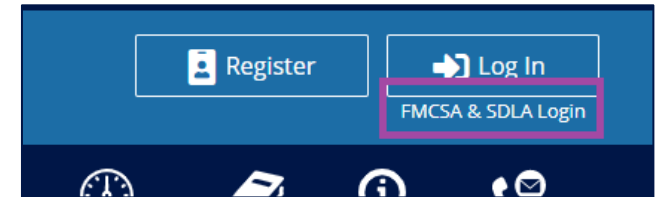
Data Exchange Option: State Considerations

	SDLA IT system, grant FMCSA access	SDLA IT system, no FMCSA access	Manual pull by person (requires Portal account)
Push Option 1 (machine-to- machine)	✓		
Push Option 2 (machine-read email)		✓	
Push Option 3 (person-read email)		✓	✓
Pull Option 1 (REST service)		✓	
Pull Option 2 (web interface)			✓

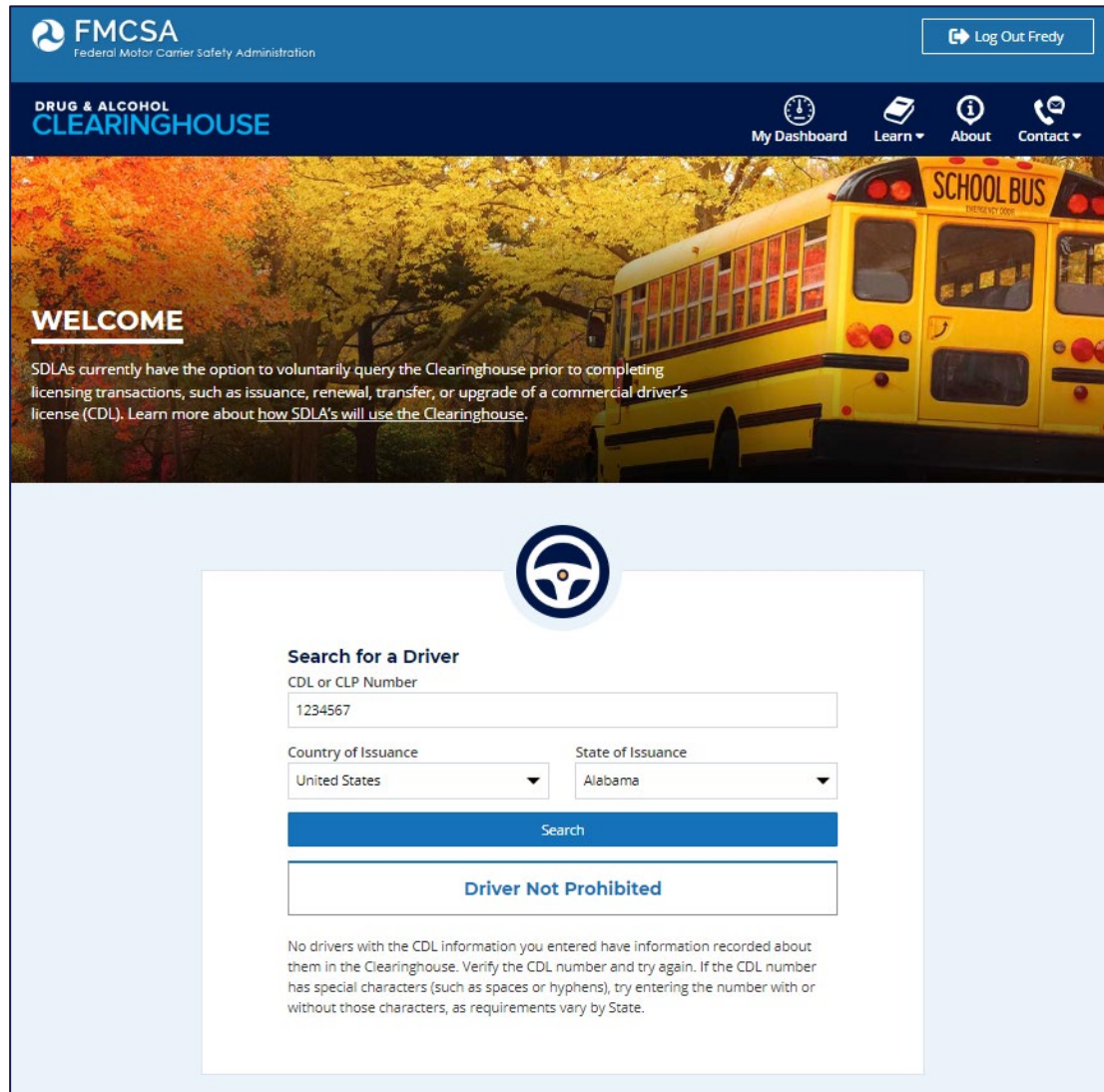
SDLA Logged-In View of the Clearinghouse

Logging In To the Clearinghouse

- How can an SDLA staff member log in to the Clearinghouse?**
Login requires an FMCSA Portal account. SDLAs will log in using their Portal user ID and password.
- Which Portal user role do SDLA staff need to request?**
The “DACH – General Query” user role.
- Can multiple SDLA staff members share a Portal account?**
No. Portal accounts are user-specific, one account per individual.
- For instructions, visit:
<https://clearinghouse.fmcsa.dot.gov/Resource/Page/SDLA-Resources>



SLDA View of Clearinghouse: Basic Access



The screenshot shows the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse website. At the top, there is a blue header with the FMCSA logo and the text "Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration". To the right of the header is a "Log Out Fredy" button. Below the header is a navigation bar with the "DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE" logo and four menu items: "My Dashboard", "Learn", "About", and "Contact". The main content area features a large image of a yellow school bus with "SCHOOL BUS" written on its side, set against a background of autumn trees. Below the image, the word "WELCOME" is displayed in a bold, white font. Underneath, a paragraph of text explains that SDLAs can voluntarily query the Clearinghouse before completing licensing transactions. A search form is centered on the page, featuring a steering wheel icon at the top. The form includes a text input field for "CDL or CLP Number" containing "1234567", two dropdown menus for "Country of Issuance" (set to "United States") and "State of Issuance" (set to "Alabama"), and a blue "Search" button. Below the form, a white box with a blue border displays the result "Driver Not Prohibited". At the bottom of the page, a paragraph of text provides instructions on how to verify the CDL number and handle special characters.

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Log Out Fredy

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WELCOME

SDLAs currently have the option to voluntarily query the Clearinghouse prior to completing licensing transactions, such as issuance, renewal, transfer, or upgrade of a commercial driver's license (CDL). Learn more about how SDLAs will use the Clearinghouse.

Search for a Driver

CDL or CLP Number
1234567

Country of Issuance: United States
State of Issuance: Alabama

Search

Driver Not Prohibited

No drivers with the CDL information you entered have information recorded about them in the Clearinghouse. Verify the CDL number and try again. If the CDL number has special characters (such as spaces or hyphens), try entering the number with or without those characters, as requirements vary by State.

SDLA View of Clearinghouse: Full Access

The screenshot displays the 'DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE' website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for 'My Dashboard', 'Learn', 'About', and 'Contact'. Below the navigation bar is a large banner image of a truck's steering wheel and dashboard. The banner contains the text 'WELCOME' and a paragraph: 'SDLAs currently have the option to voluntarily query the Clearinghouse prior to completing licensing transactions, such as issuance, renewal, transfer, or upgrade of a commercial driver's license (CDL). Learn more about how SDLA's will use the Clearinghouse.'

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled 'Search for a Driver' and features a search form with the following fields: 'CDL or CLP Number' (text input), 'Country of Issuance' (dropdown menu with 'country' selected), and 'State of Issuance' (dropdown menu with 'state' selected). A blue 'Search' button is located below the form. The right column is titled 'Run Reports' and contains two report options: 'Driver Status Change Report' and 'Prohibited Drivers Report'. The 'Driver Status Change Report' form includes 'Date Range' (with 'From (UTC)' and 'To (UTC)' text inputs) and 'State of Issuance' (dropdown menu with 'Pennsylvania' selected). The 'Prohibited Drivers Report' form includes 'State of Issuance' (dropdown menu with 'Pennsylvania' selected). Both report forms have a blue 'Search' button.

SDLA Full Access: Driver Status History

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Driver Status Results

John Smith
DOB: 1/1/1985 | License Number: 12345678999 | State: MA

NOT PROHIBITED

Status History





Updated: 08/08/2022 16:48:38 (UTC)	SDLA Notified: 08/08/2022 16:48:38 (UTC)	ERRONEOUSLY IDENTIFIED ⓘ Corrected on 08/08/2022 16:49:04 (UTC)
Updated: 08/08/2022 16:49:04 (UTC)	SDLA Notified: 08/08/2022 16:49:04 (UTC)	NOT PROHIBITED

Learn More

- Read the Clearinghouse-II final rule
- Visit the SDLA Resources page

SDLA Full Access: Driver Status Change Report



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Driver Status Change Report





State: Minnesota | Range: 01/01/2022 12:49:00 (UTC) - 06/30/2022 12:49:00 (UTC)


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Name	Date of Birth (DOB)	License #	Country	State	Status	Status Date	Current	SDLA Notified
Sam Kalkofer	1/15/1963	57CL42UG58C	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Roseanne Piscot	8/15/1974	05GC33LM25T	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Marianna Kenelin	5/28/1970	78IA91NK46Z	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Johna Younglove	2/7/1969	71SM69BO25S	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Rasia Franceschi	9/17/1957	28NX22RE60R	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Ermengarde Enos	11/12/1959	ALIAS-MN-74QH72BG20R	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	
Salomone Antognetti	7/20/1984	91J122HH11C	United States	Minnesota	Prohibited	04/11/2022 12:00:06 (UTC)	Yes	

SDLA Full Access: Prohibited Driver Report


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Prohibited Driver Report

State: Minnesota



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State Report-Out

Countdown to Clearinghouse-II

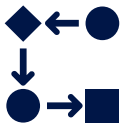
What should States do now to prepare for November 18, 2024?



Obtain legislative authority to enforce Clearinghouse regulations in your State



Select IT connectivity method(s)



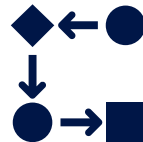
Apply for CDLPI grant funding to cover system upgrades



Plan updates to office procedures and start thinking about a training plan for all staff who will implement these procedures

State Report-Out

- What has your State done so far?
- What does your State plan to do next?
- What obstacles/roadblocks does your State anticipate?
- What can FMCSA do to support your State?



Q&A

- Enter your questions in the chat pod or unmute
- If we don't get to all the questions today, we will follow up with you directly



Resources

Where can I learn more about the Clearinghouse-II final rule?



■ Visit

- SDLA Resources:
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