

DRIVING & EPILEPSY

State by State Driver's Licensing Eligibility

STATE	SEIZURE-FREE PERIOD *	PERIODIC MEDICAL UPDATES REQUIRED AFTER LICENSING	DOCTORS REQUIRED TO REPORT EPILEPSY	DMV APPEAL OF LICENSE DENIAL **
ALABAMA	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 14 days
ALASKA	6 months	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 30 days
ARIZONA	3 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 15 days
ARKANSAS	1 year with medical evaluation	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 20 days
CALIFORNIA	3 or 6 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	Yes	Yes
COLORADO	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 30 days
CONNECTICUT	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of DMV	No	Yes
DELAWARE	No set seizure-free period	Annually	Yes – if loss of consciousness	Yes
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1 year	Annually until seizure-free 5 years	No	Within 5 days
FLORIDA	2 years or 6 months (if under doctor's supervision)	At discretion of MAB**	No	Yes
GEORGIA	6 months	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 15 days
HAWAII	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 30 days
IDAHO	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 20 days
ILLINOIS	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 30 days
INDIANA	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of MAB	No	Yes
IOWA	6 months with doctor's report	After first 6 months, then at renewal	No	Within 30 days
KANSAS	6 months with exceptions	Annually, until 3 years seizure-free	No	Within 30 days
KENTUCKY	3 months	On renewal	No	Within 15 days
LOUISIANA	No set period; Based on doctor's recommendation	At discretion of DMV	No	Yes
MAINE	3 months or 2 years depending on medical prognosis	Every 2 or 4 years at discretion of DMV	No	Within 10 days
MARYLAND	3 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Yes
MASSACHUSETTS	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 14 days
MICHIGAN	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 14 days
MINNESOTA	3 months with doctor's recommendation	As frequently as once every 6 months, depending on the circumstances	No	Yes
MISSISSIPPI	1 year	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 10 days
MISSOURI	6 months with doctor's recommendation	At discretion of DMV	No	Yes

*Many states that require one to be seizure-free for a specific period permit exceptions (a shorter period or none at all) under certain circumstances (for instance, where one experiences only nocturnal seizures or seizures due to a physician-directed medication change). States with such exceptions are noted.
**Time frames within which one must request an administrative review or hearing are given when known. Every state allows for appeal of license denial through the courts.
*** MAB (Medical Advisory Board)
Note: Non-driver I.D. cards are available in every state

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MONTANA	No set seizure-free period; doctor's recommendation	At discretion of DMV	No	Yes
NEBRASKA	No set seizure-free period	No	No	Yes
NEVADA	3 months with exceptions	Annually for 3 years	Yes	Within 30 days
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1 year, less at discretion of DMV	No	No	Yes
NEW JERSEY	1 year, less with recommendation of Neurological Disorder Committee	Every 6 months for 2 years, then annually thereafter	Yes	Within 25 days
NEW MEXICO	6 months	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 20 days
NEW YORK	1 year with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 30 days
NORTH CAROLINA	No set period; Considers doctor's recommendation	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 10 days
NORTH DAKOTA	6 months; restricted license available after 3 months	Annually for at least 3 years	No	Yes
OHIO	No set seizure-free period	Every 6 months (restricted license) or annually (unrestricted license) at the discretion of DMV	No	Within 30 days
OKLAHOMA	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of Department of Public Safety	No	Within 30 days
OREGON	3 months	At discretion of DMV	Yes	Within 20 days
PENNSYLVANIA	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	Yes	Within 60 days
PUERTO RICO	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 20 days
RHODE ISLAND	18 months, less at discretion of DMV	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 10 days
SOUTH CAROLINA	6 months	At 6 months, then annually for 3 years	No	Within 10 days
SOUTH DAKOTA	6-12 months, less with doctor's recommendation	Every 6 months, until 1 year seizure-free	No	Within 30 days
TENNESSEE	6 to 12 months with doctor's and MAB recommendation	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 30 days
TEXAS	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 30 days
UTAH	3 months with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 10 days
VERMONT	No set seizure-free period	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 15 days
VIRGINIA	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	No	Yes
WASHINGTON	6 months with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 10 days
WEST VIRGINIA	1 year with exceptions	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 10 days
WISCONSIN	3 months with doctor's recommendation	At discretion of MAB	No	Within 10 days
WYOMING	3 months with exceptions	At discretion of DMV	No	Within 20 days