

66-5-67. Expiration and renewal; staggered licensing during implementation period.

- A. Except as provided in Subsections C and E of this section, a commercial driver's license issued pursuant to the provisions of the New Mexico Commercial Driver's License Act [[66-5-52](#) to [66-5-72](#) NMSA 1978] shall expire thirty days after the applicant's birthday in the fourth year after the effective date of the license.
- B. The license is renewable within ninety days prior to its expiration or at an earlier date as approved by the secretary.
- C. At the option of an applicant, a commercial driver's license may be issued for a period of eight years, provided that the applicant:
 - 1) pays the amount required for a commercial driver's license issued for a term of eight years;
 - 2) otherwise qualifies for a four-year commercial driver's license; and
 - 3) will not reach the age of seventy-nine during the last four years of the eight-year license period.
- D. A driver's license issued pursuant to the provisions of Subsection C of this section shall expire thirty days after the applicant's birthday in the eighth year after the effective date of the license.
- E. A commercial driver's license with a hazardous material endorsement shall expire:
 - 1) for an applicant transferring a commercial driver's license with the hazardous material endorsement, four years from the date of the last background check and testing for the hazardous material endorsement; or
 - 2) for an applicant adding endorsements or other changes to the commercial driver's license, no later than the expiration date of the hazardous material endorsement.

History: Laws 1989, ch. 14, § 16; 1992, ch. 13, § 7; [1999, ch. 222, § 3](#); [2007, ch. 321, § 7](#); [2022, ch. 24, § 5](#).