Section: 1. Issuance of Driver's License

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R.S.32:402(D)

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### **Definitions:**

- Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (DRS) An individual who provides comprehensive services in clinical evaluation of physical functioning, visual/perceptual/cognitive screens (as it pertains to the driving test), wheelchair/seating assessment, driving assessment, vehicle modification prescription, and driver education.<sup>1</sup>
- <u>Temporary Rehabilitation Driver's Permit</u> A driving permit issued to individuals to complete training and assessment(s) offered by an approved Driver Rehabilitation Specialist.

#### General:

- Temporary Rehabilitation Driver's Permit:
  - o Is only for an operator's license (Class E)
  - o Can only be issued to someone who is sixteen (16) years of age or older
  - Must only be issued for a total of six (6) weeks. The time shall begin on the first date of evaluation
  - Must be signed by the applicant and DRS
  - Is only valid during the individual's participation in an actual in-car evaluation process with the DRS
  - May be issued to a person who is unable to complete the driver's education skills exam through an approved Driver's Education provider due to medical constraints, upon the written request of a licensed physician for driver assessment
  - May be issued to a person who has an expired license, provided the license is not under suspension or revocation, unless for the medical or physical condition for this permit. The individual must reinstate all other suspensions or revocations prior to the issuance of the permit.
  - Cannot be issued until first contacting Office of Motor Vehicles, Medical Unit, at (225) 925-3929, to verify the driving status.

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## **Related Policies:**

Section 1, Policy 6.01, <u>Driver Education Requirements</u> Section 1, Policy 9.01, <u>Bioptic Telescopic Lenses</u>

## References:

<sup>1</sup> – Louisiana State Legislature. *Definitions* (R.S. 32:401), retrieved from <a href="https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=88370">https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=88370</a>.