

*FMCSA does not require that motor carrier employers subject to the Agency's drug and alcohol use and testing regulations in 49 CFR Part 382 use this sample format to obtain an employee's consent to conduct a limited query of the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse. Employers may, however, use or adapt the content as they see fit.*

## **Sample Format: General Consent for Limited Queries of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse**

I, (Driver Name), hereby provide consent to (Company Name) to conduct a limited query of the FMCSA Commercial Driver's License Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse) to determine whether drug or alcohol violation information about me exists in the Clearinghouse. *[Employers and employees may also wish to include the terms of the consent. For example, is the driver consenting to a single limited query or multiple limited queries? If the driver consents to multiple limited queries, will those queries be conducted over a fixed period of time or for the duration of employment? Is the number of limited queries specific or unlimited? The scope of this consent would be determined by the employer and the employee.]*

I understand that if the limited query conducted by (Company Name) indicates that drug or alcohol violation information about me exists in the Clearinghouse, FMCSA will not disclose that information to (Company Name) without first obtaining additional specific consent from me.

I further understand that if I refuse to provide consent for (Company Name) to conduct a limited query of the Clearinghouse, (Company Name) must prohibit me from performing safety-sensitive functions, including driving a commercial motor vehicle, as required by FMCSA's drug and alcohol program regulations.

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Employee Signature

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Date

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## REGISTRATION: EMPLOYERS WITHOUT PORTAL ACCOUNTS

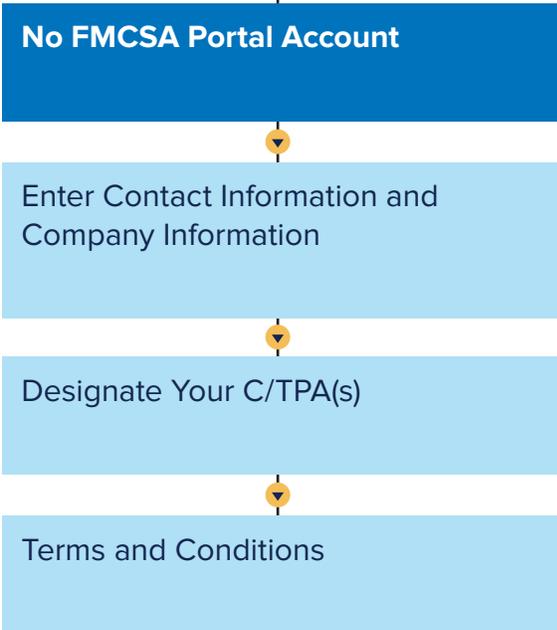
Before you can conduct queries or report drug and alcohol program violations in the FMCSA Commercial Driver’s License Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse, you must complete the registration process. Once registered, you can designate a consortium/third-party administrator (C/TPA) to access the Clearinghouse on your behalf.

Designating a C/TPA is a requirement for owner-operators (employers who employ themselves as CDL drivers, typically a single-driver operation). Owner-operators must designate a C/TPA before they can conduct queries or report violation information in the Clearinghouse.

The steps you will take to register as an employer in the Clearinghouse will depend on whether or not you have an FMCSA Portal account. The FMCSA Portal is a web system that allows employees of motor carriers to access FMCSA web systems. If your company has, or should have, a [USDOT Number](#), you should request an [FMCSA Portal Account](#) prior to registering for the Clearinghouse.

### EMPLOYER without FMCSA Portal Account

**Do you have, or should you have, a USDOT Number?**  
See the instructions for [employers with Portal accounts](#).





### Employers without FMCSA Portal Accounts

If you are an employer that does not have a USDOT Number, follow the instructions below to register in the Clearinghouse.

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### Create a Login.gov Account

Accessing the Clearinghouse requires the creation of an account with login.gov, a shared service that offers secure online access to participating government systems, including the Clearinghouse. If you do not have a login.gov account, or would like to create a new one, you will need to follow the steps below.

**1** Visit <https://clearinghouse.fmcsa.dot.gov/register> and click **Go to login.gov**.

During the login.gov registration process, after 15 minutes of inactivity, the current page will clear whatever information is entered into data fields.

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### Register for the Clearinghouse now and be ready for implementation

Authorized users must register to request access to information in the Clearinghouse. You will need to sign in with a login.gov account to begin your Clearinghouse registration.

**Need a login.gov account?** Click the link below to create your login.gov account.

**Already have a login.gov account?** Click the link below and sign in to your account.

[Go to login.gov](#)

**GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL**

FMCSA enforcement personnel and State Driver Licensing Agencies should not complete Clearinghouse registration. Log in using your FMCSA Portal credentials.



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On the login.gov sign in screen, click **Create an account**.

Or, if you already have a login.gov account, enter your credentials on this screen, click **Sign In** and **go to step 10**.

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Enter your email address and click **Submit**. This is the email address the Clearinghouse will use to send you notifications about your Clearinghouse account. This email address will also be used to identify you in the Clearinghouse, and cannot be modified.

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Check your email and open the email from **no-reply@login.gov**, with the subject line **Confirm your email**.

Click **Confirm email address**, or copy and paste the link into a web browser.



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Create a password. This password must be at least 12 characters long. If the password you enter is not strong enough, you will not be able to continue. Enter a strong password and click **Continue**.

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Select an option to secure your account and click **Continue**.

Login.gov requires the completion of a user verification process to ensure the proper person is using those credentials. Follow the instructions for the method you select.

Backup codes should only be used if none of the above methods are available to you.



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Enter your security code and click **Submit**. This code will be provided via the method you selected. The screenshot below illustrates the SMS phone method.

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### Enter your security code

We sent a security code to +1 123-456-7890 This code will expire in 10 minutes.

One-time security code

**Submit**

[Get another code](#)  Remember this browser

Entered the wrong phone number? [Use another phone number](#)

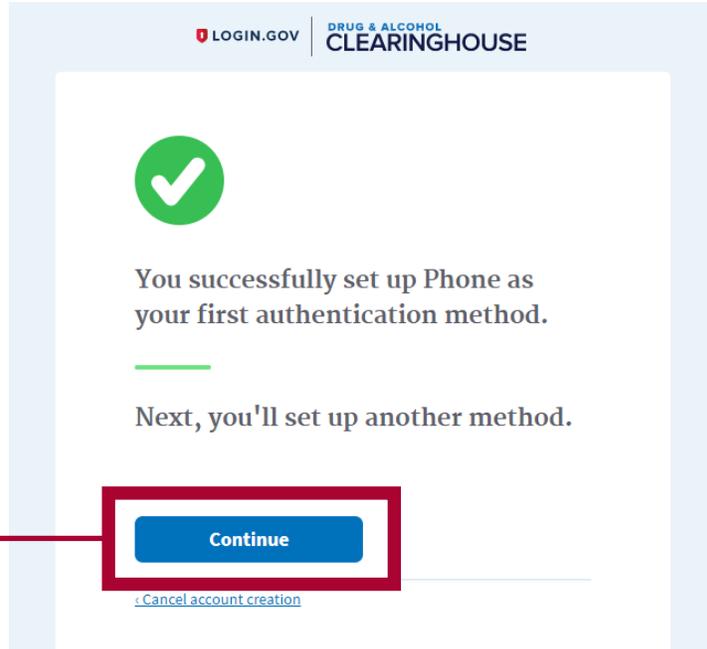
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[Choose another option](#)



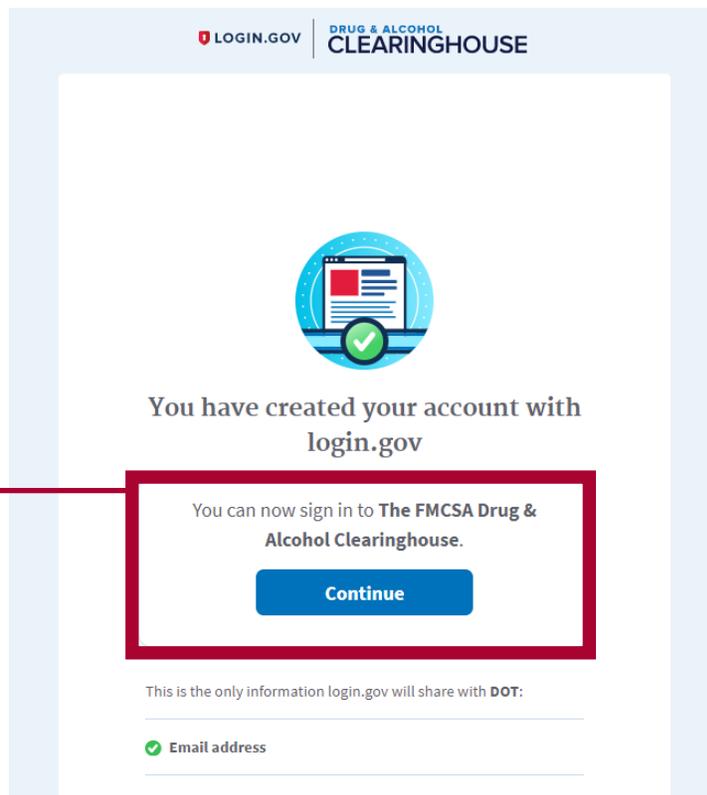
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Once you have completed setting up your first authentication method, you will be prompted to set up a second authentication method. You'll only use one authentication method to sign in, but you will need to set up two methods in case you lose access to one. **Repeat steps 6 and 7 to set up your second method.**



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You have created your login.gov account. Click **Continue** to return to the Clearinghouse website and complete your Clearinghouse registration.





### Register for the Clearinghouse

Once you have a login.gov account, you can complete your registration in the Clearinghouse. Follow the steps below.

**10** Select your role (**employer**), and click **Next**.

If you are unsure if you are covered by the Clearinghouse rule, see the box labeled “Are you covered by DOT Drug and Alcohol Testing Regulations?” and click **Find out**.

The screenshot shows the FMCSA Clearinghouse registration interface. At the top, it says "United States Department of Transportation" and "FMCSA Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration". There are "Register" and "Login" buttons. Below that is the "DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE" header with "FAQ", "About", and "Contact" links. A success message states: "Thank you! You are now logged into your login.gov account. Follow the steps below to complete your Clearinghouse registration." A progress bar shows six steps: 1. LOGIN.GOV, 2. ROLE SELECTION, 3. CONTACT INFORMATION, 4. COMPANY INFORMATION, 5. DESIGNATE C/TPA, and 6. TERMS & CONDITIONS. Step 2 is currently active. Under "2. Select Your Role", there is a prompt: "Use the menu below to select the type of user account you will need in the Clearinghouse." Five options are listed: "Employer" (with a truck icon), "Driver" (with a steering wheel icon), "Consortium/Third-Party Administrator (C/TPA)" (with a group of people icon), "Medical Review Officer (MRO)" (with a stethoscope icon), and "Substance Abuse Professional (SAP)" (with a handshake icon). The "Employer" option is selected and highlighted with a red box. Below this is a warning box: "Are you covered by DOT Drug and Alcohol Testing Regulations? Find out". At the bottom, there are "Next" and "Cancel" buttons. The "Next" button is highlighted with a red box. A red line connects the number 10 in the instruction to the "Employer" option and the "Next" button.



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Select **No I do not have an FMCSA Portal Account**, and click **Next**.

**2. Select Your Role**  
Your answer to the question below will determine which steps you will take to complete the Clearinghouse registration for you and your company.

**DO YOU HAVE AN FMCSA PORTAL ACCOUNT?**

YES I have an FMCSA Portal Account

NO I do not have an FMCSA Portal Account

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Confirm that you are your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator by selecting **Yes, I am my employer's Clearinghouse Administrator** and clicking **Next**.

If you are not authorized to be your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator, do not proceed with this registration. Contact your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator and request an invitation to register as a Clearinghouse Assistant for your employer.

**2. Select Your Role**  
**Will you manage your employer's users in the Clearinghouse?**  
By completing this registration, you will become your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator. This means you will be able to add or remove users who will use the Clearinghouse on your employer's behalf.  
Employers can also invite users who will serve in an Assistant role. If you are not authorized to be your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator, do not complete this registration. Contact your employer's Clearinghouse Administrator and request that he or she send you an invitation to complete your Clearinghouse registration as an Employer Assistant.

 **Are you the Clearinghouse Administrator?**  
 Yes, I am my employer's Clearinghouse Administrator.

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Indicate whether or not your company has a USDOT Number and click **Next**.

This step is intended to determine if your company should have an FMCSA Portal account. If you indicate that your company does have a USDOT Number, you will then be prompted to register for the FMCSA Portal. Once you register for the Portal, you can re-start registration for the Clearinghouse.

**2. Select Your Role**  
A USDOT Number is a unique identifier assigned to a company that has registered with FMCSA. [Learn more about USDOT Numbers.](#)

**DOES YOUR COMPANY HAVE A USDOT NUMBER?**

**YES** My company has a USDOT Number

**NO** My company does not have a USDOT Number

**Not sure if your company has a USDOT Number?**  
Contact your safety manager to determine if your company has a USDOT Number.

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If you indicate your company does not have a USDOT Number, you will see a message to make sure that your company does not need one. If your company does need a USDOT Number, you may consider obtaining one prior to registering in the Clearinghouse.

Select either **I do not need a USDOT Number** or **I will obtain my USDOT Number later** and click **Proceed With Registration**, or you may **Cancel Registration** to re-start your Clearinghouse registration at a later time.

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**Do you need to obtain a USDOT Number?**

Companies that operate commercial vehicles transporting passengers or hauling cargo in interstate commerce must be registered with FMCSA and must have a USDOT Number. Also, commercial intrastate hazardous materials carriers that haul types and quantities requiring a safety permit must register for a USDOT Number. [Learn more about USDOT Numbers](#)

If your company meets the criteria above and does not have a USDOT Number, you may obtain one after your Clearinghouse registration.

**I do not need a USDOT Number**

**I will obtain my USDOT Number later**

[Cancel Registration](#) [Proceed With Registration](#)



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Enter your contact information and click **Next**. All fields are required unless otherwise noted. Your email address will be pre-filled with your login.gov username and cannot be modified.

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### 3. Contact Information

Enter your contact information below. All fields are required unless otherwise noted.

Name		Phone/Email	
First Name	<input type="text"/>	Phone Number	<input type="text"/> Type <input type="text"/>
Middle Name (Optional)	<input type="text"/>	Alternate Phone Number (Optional)	<input type="text"/> Type <input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	Email Address (Login.gov Username)	<input type="text" value="user@company.com"/>

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Enter your company's information. All fields are required unless otherwise noted.

You will need to indicate whether you are an owner-operator (that is, an employer that employs himself or herself as a CDL driver, typically a single-driver operation).

When you are finished entering your company information, click **Next**.

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### 4. Company Information

**Company Name**

Name

**Company Type**

You must inform FMCSA if you are an owner-operator. This means that as an employer, you employ yourself as a CDL driver. This is typically a single-driver operation.

Are you an owner-operator?  Yes  No

**Contact Information**

Phone Number  Type

**Address (Physical)**

Street

City

Country  State  ZIP Code

**Address (Mailing)**  Same as Physical Address



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If you are working with a consortium/third-party administrator (C/TPA), you will need to designate your C/TPA in the Clearinghouse. This allows your C/TPA to access the Clearinghouse on your behalf. **This step is required of all owner-operators.**

Enter the name of your C/TPA in the field labeled **Who is your C/TPA?** and **click on the search icon**, or hit **Enter**. If you enter enough characters of the C/TPA's name, a list of options will also appear.

### 5. Designate Your Consortium/Third-Party Administrator

As an employer, you may use one or more consortia/third-party administrators (C/TPAs) to manage your drug and alcohol testing program. If you do choose to work with one or more C/TPAs, you must identify them in the Clearinghouse by designating them below. This enables them to act on your behalf in the Clearinghouse, as defined in § 382.705(c).

You can designate your C/TPA(s) now, or after you have completed your registration.

#### DESIGNATE YOUR C/TPA(S)

For each C/TPA you designate, you must indicate which actions the C/TPA may take your behalf. If you don't currently have a C/TPA, you may designate the C/TPA once you have acquired their services.

**Who is your C/TPA?**  

**C/TPA not listed?**  
A C/TPA must be registered in the Clearinghouse before they can be designated by an employer. If your C/TPA is not listed, contact them to confirm they have completed their Clearinghouse registration.

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This will generate a list of registered C/TPAs that match your search terms. Locate your C/TPA in the list and click **Designate** on the appropriate line.

A C/TPA must be registered in the Clearinghouse before you can designate them. If you do not see your C/TPA in your search results, contact them to confirm they have completed their Clearinghouse registration.

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Note: Per § 382.711(b)(3), any changes to designated C/TPAs must be updated in the Clearinghouse within 10 days.

Who is your C/TPA?

#### C/TPA not listed?

A C/TPA must be registered in the Clearinghouse before they can be designated by an employer. If your C/TPA is not listed, contact them to confirm they have

There are 1 C/TPAs which match the search "harlow"

**Harlow Consortium Inc.**  
Vernon St, Plymouth, AR 02360

Designate



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For each C/TPA you designate, you will be prompted to authorize them to perform specific functions on your behalf. The functions available for selection are: **Report Violations**, **Report RTD Information**, and **Conduct Queries**. Once you have finished designating C/TPA(s) and authorizing them to perform these functions, click **Next**. This will send a request to the C/TPA(s) to confirm your designation.

Note to owner-operators: You must authorize at least one C/TPA to report violations and at least one C/TPA to report negative return-to-duty (RTD) information, including negative RTD test results and successful completion of RTD follow-up plans. You may authorize one C/TPA to fulfill both these functions. You may also authorize C/TPAs to conduct queries, however this action is not required to be performed by a C/TPA.

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Who is your C/TPA?  🔍

**C/TPA not listed?**  
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**Designated C/TPA(s)**  
I authorize the Clearinghouse to allow these C/TPA(s) to perform the following functions on my behalf.

C/TPA	Report Violations	Report RTD Information ⓘ	Conduct Queries	
XYZ Corp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Harlow Consortium Inc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Review the Clearinghouse Terms and Conditions. **Check the box** to affirm that the information you provided throughout the registration process is true and that you agree to the terms and conditions and click **I Agree**.

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### 6. Terms and Conditions

**FMCSA IT Rules of Behavior**

As a user of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse, I understand that I am personally responsible for the use and any misuse of my system account and password. I also understand that by accessing a U.S. Government information system, I must comply with the following requirements:

1. The Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse is authorized for official use only.
2. The Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse may not be used (i) for a purpose that violates any Federal law; (ii) for mass mailings of personal messages/statements; (iii) for commercial purposes, financial gain, or to support "for profit" non-Government activities; or (iv) to engage in any DOT or FMCSA-discrediting activities (e.g., gambling; viewing of adult content). "FMCSA-discrediting activities" also include seeking, transmitting, collecting, or storing defamatory, discriminatory, obscene, harassing, or intimidating messages or materials.
3. FMCSA reserves the right to monitor the activity of any machine connected to its infrastructure.
4. Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse is the property of the Federal Government and FMCSA owns the data stored in this system.
5. Non-public information that was obtained via the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse may not be divulged outside of authorized channels without the express permission of the owner of that information.
6. Any activity that violates Federal laws for information protection (e.g., hacking, spamming) is prohibited.
7. Users must lock the computer if they are away from the desk and use a password-protected screensaver to automatically lock the computer.
8. Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse accounts are linked to your login.gov profile solely for the use of the individual for whom they were created. Your login.gov passwords or any other authentication mechanisms **must never** be shared or stored in **printed form** in any place accessible. If stored **digitally**, a password must not be stored in a clear-text or a readable format. You may store your login.gov "just in case" information in printed or digital form.
9. The Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse uses login.gov to authenticate you. Login.gov has password format requirements and a password expiration policy that must be followed. Login.gov passwords do not expire because login.gov uses multi-factor authentication. Multi-factor authentication expires every 30 days. See <https://www.login.gov/help/changing-settings/turn-off-two-factor-authentication/> for more information.
10. Any security problems or password compromises must be reported immediately to the FMCSA Information System Security Manager at [FMCSASecurity@dot.gov](mailto:FMCSASecurity@dot.gov).
11. Users must protect all confidential/sensitive and privacy information from disclosure.
12. Hard copies of confidential/sensitive and privacy information must be shredded and destroyed.
13. I agree to accept any written communication from FMCSA relating to my participation on Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse by electronic mail at the email address(es) I provide to FMCSA. Such electronic communication shall be complete upon its transmission by FMCSA.
14. I understand that Federal law provides for punishment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code, including a fine and up to 10 years in prison for the first offense for anyone who:
  1. Intentionally accesses a Government information system without authorization, or exceeds authorized access, and obtains information that requires protection against unauthorized disclosure.
  2. Intentionally accesses a Government information system without authorization, or exceeds authorized access, and impacts the Government's operation, including availability of that system.
  3. Intentionally accesses a Government information system without authorization, or exceeds authorized access, and alters, damages, or destroys information therein.
  4. Intentionally accesses a Government information system without authorization, or exceeds authorized access, and obtains anything of value.
  5. Prevents authorized use of a Government information system.
15. Users must only use Sensitive Personally Identifiable Information (SPII) on encrypted laptops, mobile devices, and storage media devices. SPII is a subset of PII which if lost, compromised or disclosed without authorization, could result in substantial harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to an individual. (e.g., DoB, SSN, and Driver's License).
16. Users of FMCSA IT systems using non-FMCSA furnished equipment to access FMCSA IT systems must install and maintain antivirus and anti-spware tools on said equipment.

**Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse Terms of Use**

I am capable and willing to comply with the requirements under of 49 CFR 382 Subpart G, Requirements and Procedures for Implementation of the Commercial Driver's License Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse).

I agree to accept any written communication from FMCSA relating to the Clearinghouse by electronic mail at the email address(es) I provide to FMCSA or by physical letters sent via United States Postal Service, including any notice of proposed removal from the Clearinghouse and any information addressing my obligations as an authorized user of the Clearinghouse. Such communication shall be considered complete upon its transmission by FMCSA.

I understand that by utilizing the Clearinghouse, I am participating in covered transactions and am required to comply with the suspension and debarment regulations at 2 C.F.R. part 180 and that I am required to comply with the regulations at 49 CFR part 382. I certify that I will comply with the information use and disclosure requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. part 382. I agree that I will not access information in the Clearinghouse without authorization; share, distribute, publish, or otherwise release information unless specifically authorized by law; and I will not report inaccurate or misleading information to the Clearinghouse. I understand that by submitting information to the Clearinghouse I am participating in covered transactions and that submitting false or misleading statements may subject me to administrative, civil, or criminal penalties, including prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 or government-wide suspension and debarment under 2 C.F.R. part 180. I understand that failure to comply with the Clearinghouse Rules of Behavior and Terms of Use may result in revocation of my Clearinghouse registration under 49 C.F.R. § 382.713.

I agree that I will obtain the driver's written or electronic consent before querying the Clearinghouse to determine whether a record exists or to obtain any of the types of information identified in 49 C.F.R. § 382.703. I agree that I will only access and use information obtained from the Clearinghouse to determine whether there is a prohibition on a driver performing a safety-sensitive function in accordance with FMCSA regulations and will not divulge or permit other persons to divulge the information for any other purpose. I understand that violations of §382.723 are subject to criminal and civil penalties in accordance with applicable law, including those set forth at §382.507.

I affirm that all the information provided is true and accept all of the terms above.

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## Your Clearinghouse registration is complete.

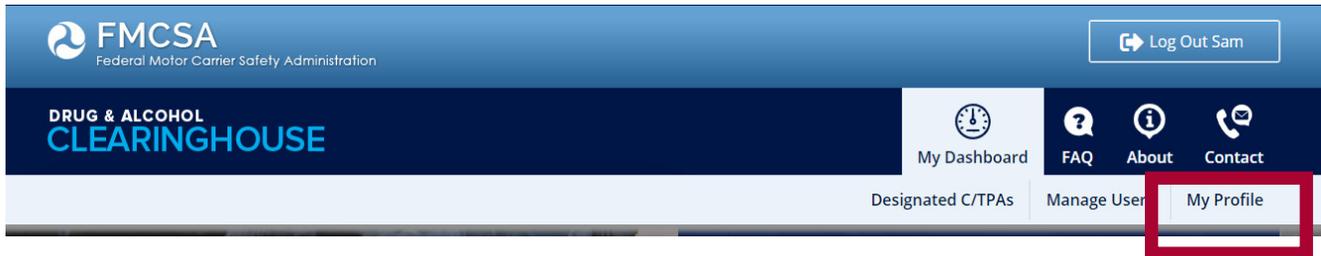
You will be directed to your Dashboard, a logged-in homepage for your Clearinghouse activity. This is where you will come to designate C/TPAs, invite and manage Clearinghouse Assistants, report drug and alcohol program violations, conduct queries, and purchase query plans.



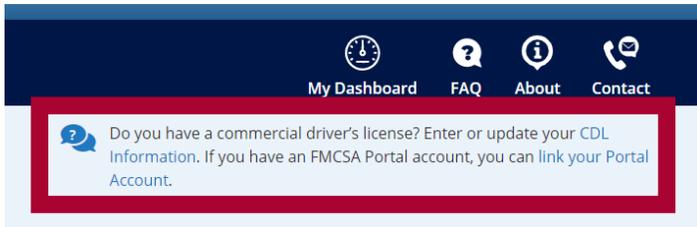
### Adding or Updating Your CDL Information

At this point, if you have a commercial driver's license (CDL) or commercial learner's permit (CLP), you have the option to add your CDL or CLP information to your profile. This will allow you to view your Clearinghouse record and respond to consent requests.

To add or make updates to your CDL information, under My Dashboard, click on **My Profile**.



Look in the upper right-hand corner of the screen for the text asking "Do you have a commercial driver's license?" Click the **CDL information** hyperlink. This will pop up the screen below. Enter your CDL information and click **Verify**. If the Clearinghouse is not able to verify your CDL information, you will be prompted to contact your State Driver Licensing Agency.



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.

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Add/Update Commercial Driver's License Information	
Enter your <b>current</b> commercial driver's license (CDL) information below. This information will be verified against your information in the Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS).	
First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Country	State
<input type="text" value="United States"/>	<input type="text" value="AAMVA Test System - A1"/>
CDL Number	Date of Birth
<input type="text"/>	month <input type="text" value="da"/> year <input type="text" value="year"/>
<input type="button" value="Verify"/>	<input type="button" value="Cancel"/>

Owner-operators will also see a prompt to add this information in the "Next Steps" box. Click the **enter your CDL information** hyperlink to add your CDL information.



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## REGISTRATION: CDL DRIVERS

You must complete the registration process before you can respond to employer consent requests or access your driver record in the FMCSA Commercial Driver's License Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse. The instructions below are for a driver who holds either a commercial driver's license (CDL) or commercial learner's permit (CLP).

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The screenshot shows the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse registration page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the FMCSA logo and the text 'Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration'. To the right of the logo are 'Register' and 'Login' buttons. Below the navigation bar is a dark blue header with 'DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE' and icons for 'FAQ', 'About', and 'Contact'. The main content area has a heading 'Register for the Clearinghouse now and be ready for implementation' with a sub-heading 'Authorized users must register to request access to information in the Clearinghouse. You will need to sign in with a login.gov account to begin your Clearinghouse registration.' Below this is a 'Need a login.gov account?' section with a link to create a login.gov account. A red box highlights the 'Go to login.gov' button. To the right is a 'GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL' section with text: 'FMCSA enforcement personnel and State Driver Licensing Agencies should not complete Clearinghouse registration. Log in using your FMCSA Portal credentials.' Below this is a 'Why register now?' section with the text: 'Don't wait! Registering now lets you complete the steps below so that you can be ready when the Clearinghouse is operational on January 6, 2020.' There are three columns of information: 'DRIVERS' (Enter your CDL information and confirm all information is accurate in our database.), 'EMPLOYERS' (Does a C/TPA manage your drug and alcohol testing program? Designate them today. Have an FMCSA Portal account? Link it with your Clearinghouse account.), and 'SAPS & MROS' (Invite Assistants from your company and get set up so you can record information as soon as the Clearinghouse is operational.).



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On the login.gov sign in screen, click **Create an account**.

Or, if you already have a login.gov account, enter your email address and password on this screen, click **Sign In** and **go to step 10**.

The FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse is using login.gov to allow you to sign in to your account safely and securely.

**Are you FMCSA or State Driver Licensing Agency personnel?**  
FMCSA enforcement and SDLA staff do not need to create a login.gov account to access the Clearinghouse. This includes staff from Departments of Motor Vehicles.  
[Visit the Government User login](#)

Email address

Password  Show password

**Sign In**

Don't have an account? **Create an account**

[Sign in with your government employee ID](#)

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Enter your email address and click **Submit**. This is the email address the Clearinghouse will use to send you notifications about your Clearinghouse account. This email address will also be used to identify you in the Clearinghouse, and cannot be modified.

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**Enter your email address**

Email address

**Submit**

[Cancel](#)

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Check your email and open the email from **no-reply@login.gov**, with the subject line **Confirm your email**.

Click **Confirm email address**, or copy and paste the link into a web browser.

**LOGIN.GOV**

**Confirm your email**

Thanks for submitting your email address. Please click the link below or copy and paste the entire link into your browser. This link will expire in 24 hours.

**Confirm email address**

[https://secure.login.gov/sign\\_up/confirm/confirmation\\_token=44fa-a045-98ec5c5d5f3c&confirmation\\_token=qypG7-nNNQbu7f9T1y7A](https://secure.login.gov/sign_up/confirm/confirmation_token=44fa-a045-98ec5c5d5f3c&confirmation_token=qypG7-nNNQbu7f9T1y7A)

Please do not reply to this message. If you need help, visit [www.login.gov/help](http://www.login.gov/help)

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**Create a password.** This password must be at least 12 characters long. If the password you enter is not strong enough, you will not be able to continue. Enter a strong password and click **Continue**.

The screenshot shows the 'STEP 2 OF 4' screen titled 'Create a strong password'. A green notification bar at the top states 'You have confirmed your email address'. Below the title, a note says 'It must be at least 12 characters long and not be a commonly used password. That's it!'. There is a 'Password' input field with a 'Show password' checkbox. The password is masked with dots. Below the field, a progress bar indicates 'Password strength: Great!'. A blue 'Continue' button is at the bottom. At the very bottom, there is a link for 'Password safety tips' and a link to 'Cancel account creation'.

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Select an option to secure your account and click **Continue**.

Login.gov requires the completion of a user verification process to ensure the proper person is using those credentials. Follow the instructions for the method you select.

The screenshot shows the 'STEP 3 OF 4' screen titled 'First authentication method setup (1 of 2)'. A note says 'Add a second layer of security so only you can sign in to your account.' Below this, another note states 'You'll only use one authentication method to sign in, but we ask you to set up two. This makes sure you can still sign in if you lose access to one.' The screen asks to 'Select an option to secure your account:' and lists five options: 'Phone' (selected), 'Authentication application', 'Security key', 'Government employees', and 'I don't have any of the above'. Each option has a brief description. A blue 'Continue' button is at the bottom. At the very bottom, there is a link to 'Cancel account creation'.



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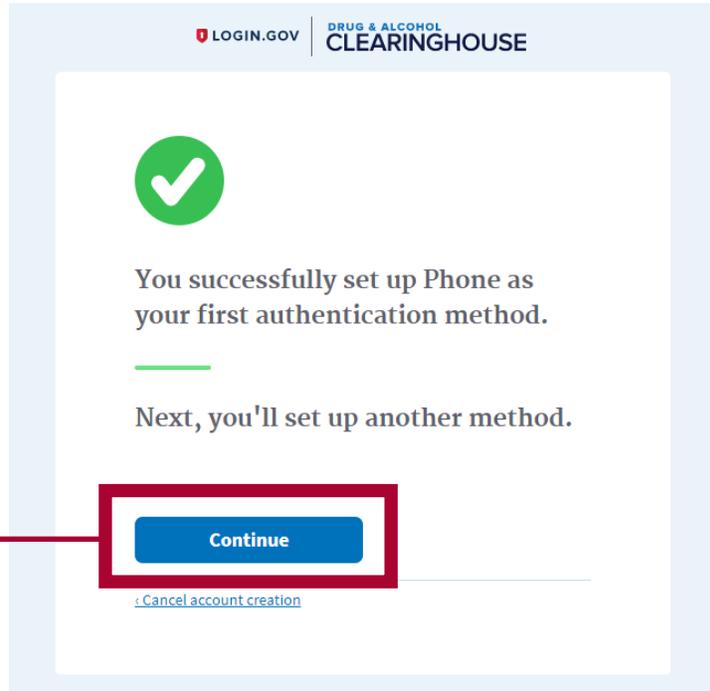
Enter your security code and click **Submit**. This code will be provided via the method you selected. The screenshot below illustrates the SMS phone method.

The screenshot shows the 'STEP 3 OF 4' registration process. The header includes the 'LOGIN.GOV' logo and the 'DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE' title. The main heading is 'Enter your security code'. Below this, it states: 'We sent a security code to +1 123-456-7890 This code will expire in 10 minutes.' A red box highlights the 'One-time security code' input field and the 'Submit' button. Below the input field is a 'Get another code' button with a refresh icon, and a 'Remember this browser' checkbox. At the bottom, there are two links: 'Entered the wrong phone number? [Use another phone number](#)' and '< [Choose another option](#)'.



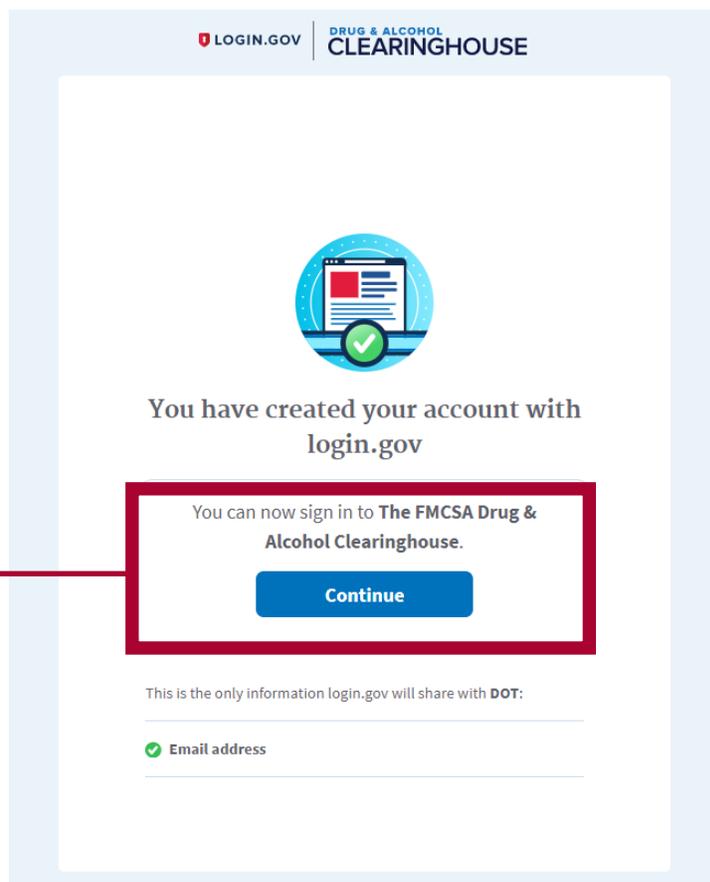
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Once you have completed setting up your first authentication method, you will be prompted to set up a second authentication method. You'll only use one authentication method to sign in, but you will need to set up two methods in case you lose access to one. **Repeat steps 6 and 7 to set up your second method.**



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You have created your login.gov account. Click **Continue** to return to the Clearinghouse website and complete your Clearinghouse registration.





### Register for the Clearinghouse

Once you have a login.gov account, you can complete your registration in the Clearinghouse. Follow the steps below.

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Select your role (**driver**), and click **Next**.

If you are a self-employed CDL driver, do not register as a driver. You will need to register as an employer and, when prompted, identify yourself as an owner-operator (that is, an employer who employs himself or herself as a CDL driver, typically a single-driver operation). [View the registration instructions for employers](#)

If you are unsure if you are covered by the Clearinghouse rule, see the box labeled “Are you covered by DOT Drug and Alcohol Testing Regulations?” and click **Find out**.

The screenshot shows the FMCSA Clearinghouse registration interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the FMCSA logo and links for Register and Login. Below this is a progress indicator with five steps: 1. LOGIN.GOV, 2. ROLE SELECTION, 3. CONTACT INFORMATION, 4. CDL, and 5. TERMS & CONDITIONS. Step 2, 'Select Your Role', is the active step. It features a row of five role selection cards: Employer, Driver, Consortium/Third-Party Administrator (C/TPA), Medical Review Officer (MRO), and Substance Abuse Professional (SAP). The 'Driver' card is highlighted with a red border. Below the cards, there is a section titled 'To complete your Clearinghouse registration you will need:' with a checked box for 'Your commercial driver's license (CDL) information'. A yellow warning box on the right asks 'Are you a self-employed driver?' and provides instructions. At the bottom, there are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons, with 'Next' highlighted by a red box.



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Enter your contact information and click **Next**. All fields are required unless otherwise noted. Your email address will be pre-filled with your login.gov username and cannot be modified.

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**Do you need help?** Download step-by-step instructions for driver registration.  
**¿Necesita ayuda?** Descargue las instrucciones para el registro de conductores.

✓  
LOGIN.GOV

✓  
ROLE SELECTION

3  
CONTACT INFORMATION

4  
CDL

5  
TERMS & CONDITIONS

### 3. Contact Information

Enter your contact information below. All fields are required unless otherwise noted.

**Name/Phone/Email**

First Name

Middle Name (Optional)

Last Name

Phone Number  Type

Alternate Phone Number (Optional)  Type

Email Address (Login.gov Username)  
user@company.com

**Address (Physical)**

Street  City

Country  State  ZIP Code

**Address (Mailing)**  Same as Physical Address

**Preferred Contact Method**

**Email**  
Receive instant notifications when your information is updated in the Clearinghouse. Selecting this option will help you avoid unnecessary delays in responding to time-sensitive requests.

**U.S. Mail**  
Letters will be sent via the United States Postal Service 3-4 business days after your information has been updated. Please allow two weeks for delivery.

Previous

Next

Cancel





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Choose your preferred contact method:

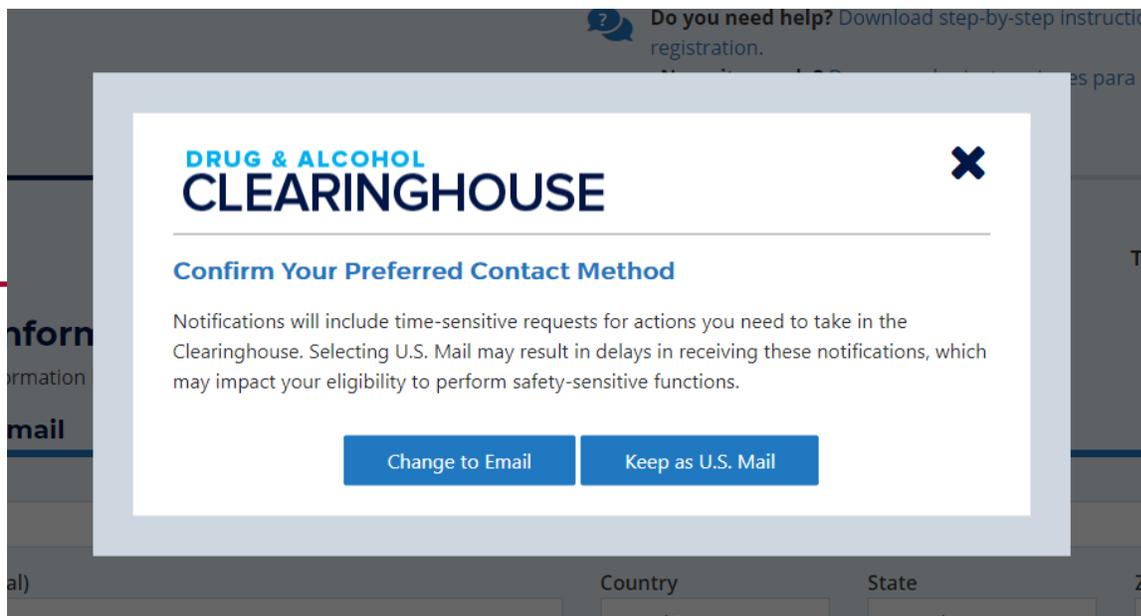
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[Previous](#) [Next](#) [Cancel](#)

If you select U.S. Mail, you will see a message asking you to confirm this selection. Keep in mind that notifications will include time-sensitive requests for actions you need to take in the Clearinghouse. Selecting U.S. Mail may result in delays in these notifications, which may impact your eligibility to perform safety-sensitive functions. Select either **Change to Email** or **Keep as U.S. Mail**.





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Enter your **current** commercial driver's license (CDL) or commercial learner's permit (CLP) information. Click **Verify**. The Clearinghouse will verify this information against information in the Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS).

The screenshot shows the registration process for CDL drivers. At the top, it says "United States Department of Transportation" and "FMCSA Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration". There are "Register" and "Login" buttons. Below that, it says "DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE" with "FAQ", "About", and "Contact" links. A progress bar shows five steps: LOGIN.GOV, ROLE SELECTION, CONTACT INFORMATION, CDL (current step), and TERMS & CONDITIONS. A help message says "Do you need help? Download step-by-step instructions for driver registration." and "¿Necesita ayuda? Descargue las instrucciones para el registro de conductores." The "4. Commercial Driver's License Information" section contains the following fields:

First Name Sam	Last Name Jones
Country United States	State Alabama
CDL Number 1234567	Date of Birth January (01) 1 1955

Buttons: Previous, Verify, Cancel



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Once your CDL information is verified, you will not be able to edit it. Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the FMCSA registration interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the FMCSA logo and 'Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration'. Below that, the 'DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE' title is displayed. A progress indicator shows five steps: LOGIN.GOV, ROLE SELECTION, CONTACT INFORMATION, CDL (current step), and TERMS & CONDITIONS. A success message states: 'Success! We have verified your CDL information.' Below this is a form titled '4. Commercial Driver's License Information' with fields for First Name (Sam), Last Name (Jones), Country (United States), State (AAMVA Test System - Z6), CDL Number (1234567), and Date of Birth (August 08, 1977). The 'Next' button is highlighted with a red box.

If the Clearinghouse cannot not verify your CDL information, you will be asked to check that you entered it correctly. Make any necessary corrections and click **Verify** again. You will have two chances to enter this information.

If your CDL information cannot be verified, you will need to contact your State Driver Licensing Agency to resolve any potential issues. You may continue with your Clearinghouse registration, but you will not be able to review your driver record or respond to employer consent requests until your CDL information has been verified. You can update this information under “My Profile” in your Dashboard, once your Clearinghouse registration is complete.

To continue and complete your registration, click **Next**.



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Review the Clearinghouse terms and conditions.

The screenshot shows the FMCSA website header with the 'DRUG & ALCOHOL CLEARINGHOUSE' title. A progress bar at the top indicates five steps: LOGIN.GOV, ROLE SELECTION, CONTACT INFORMATION, CDL, and TERMS & CONDITIONS (the current step). Below the progress bar, there is a heading '5. Terms and Conditions' and a sub-heading 'FMCSA IT Rules of Behavior'. The text below reads: 'As a user of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse, I understand that I am personally responsible for the use and any misuse of my system account and password. I also understand that by accessing a U.S. Government information system, I must comply with the following requirements:'. A red box highlights the registration process steps in the progress bar.

Check the box to confirm that you agree to the terms and conditions and click **I Agree**.

The screenshot shows a form with a checkbox and the text: 'I affirm that all the information provided is true and accept all of the terms above.' Below the checkbox are three buttons: 'Previous', 'I Agree', and 'Cancel'. A red box highlights the checkbox and the 'I Agree' button.

## Your Clearinghouse registration is complete.

You will be directed to your Dashboard, a logged-in home page for your Clearinghouse activity. This is where you will come to respond to employer consent requests, review your Clearinghouse record, and make changes to your Clearinghouse account.