

DMV INFORMATION

PROJECT CLEAN SLATE NE (PCS-NE)

It is important that you contact us so that we can review your driving record and provide you with information that relates to your particular situation.

**Your call from the Portland area is FREE
when you call us at 503-299-9999.
We are available Monday-Friday 8:00AM to 5:00PM**

Another way to reach us is at www.oregondmv.com. You can make a request for reinstatement information, change your address on line, or practice taking the driver's knowledge test.

You can also go to any Full Service (not a mall) DMV Field Office for reinstatement requirement information.

DMV will provide you with one to one assistance in the process of reinstating your driving privilege and obtaining a valid drivers license.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. I went to Project Clean Slate and the court cleared suspensions that I had open with them for failure to comply. Can I drive now?

A. A court clearance for a suspension does not automatically reinstate your driving privilege. You will need to pay DMV a \$75.00 reinstatement fee and you may need to meet other reinstatement requirements. Call DMV.

Q. What could happen if I drive before I reinstate my driving privilege and obtain a valid drivers license?

A. DMV provides driving record information to the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS). LEDS is where officers obtain information regarding the *status* of your driving privilege. If you have not reinstated with DMV and you fail to obtain a valid license you could be cited for no valid operator's license and the vehicle you are driving could be impounded.

Q. I live in Washington. I participated in Project Clean Slate and I have entered into an agreement to get my suspensions with Multnomah County cleared. I have never had an Oregon license and I don't want one. Do I need to pay a reinstatement fee?

A. Yes, you need to reinstate your driving privilege in Oregon. You will want to send a \$75.00 reinstatement fee to the Driver Issuance Unit at 1905 Lana Ave NE, Salem, OR, 97314.

Q. I am clear with all courts in Oregon. I went to the DMV Field Office to get a drivers license but the person at the Field Office would not issue me a license because I have a withdrawal of driving privilege in another state. Why?

A. The law prevents us from issuing a license to a person that has a withdrawal or cancellation in any other state. Prior to issuing a license we check the Problem Driver Pointer System which is a National Drivers Registry. The inquiry indicates if you have an issue in another state. To find out if you are clear in all other states call DMV and we will check for you. Call 503-299-9999.

Q. I went to Project Clean Slate and they cleared suspensions for failure to comply. My driving record still shows convictions. Why hasn't DMV taken the convictions off of my record?

A. Our understanding is that PCS-NE is clearing suspensions for failure to pay fines and is not vacating or expunging convictions for driving related offenses. A conviction is not the same as a suspension. If you believe the court was going to vacate a conviction, then you will want to work that out with the court. DMV does not have the authority to lift a conviction or suspension without a directive from the court to do so.

Q. How do I know if I have to carry an SR22?

A. The most common reason a person needs to file an SR22 is because they have been convicted of driving uninsured, suspended for an uninsured accident or convicted and suspended for DUII. There are other reasons. To find out if you need to carry an SR22 contact DMV and they will explain if you need one and if you do they will be able to tell you how long the requirement to carry an SR22 is for.

Q. Do I have to have insurance to take a driving test?

A. Yes, you will need to provide insurance information at the time of the test.

Q. I have a suspension/revocation. Can I have a hardship or a probationary permit?

A. The law does not allow us to issue a permit for all suspension/revocation types. To find out if you are eligible for a hardship/probationary permit call DMV.

Q. I think I have suspensions with a few different courts in Oregon. I am not sure. Can DMV help me find out?

A. Yes. We can provide you with court addresses and phone numbers. We can also provide a list of the dockets (case numbers) that you have open with each court.