

7410.2700 MENTAL ILLNESS OR DEFICIENCY.

Subpart 1. **Good cause.** For the purposes of this part, good cause to believe exists only if the commissioner has:

- A. information that a person has operated a vehicle in an unsafe manner;
- B. information that a person lacks judgment and coordination to safely operate a vehicle based on competent medical authority; or
- C. facts supplied by the driver or applicant.

Subp. 2. **Loss of driving privilege.** When the commissioner has good cause to believe that a person is mentally ill, or that a person has a cognitive impairment, and that the mental illness or cognitive impairment will affect the person in a manner to prevent the person from exercising reasonable and ordinary control over a motor vehicle while operating it upon the highways, a physician's statement, in such form as the commissioner may prescribe, shall be required within 30 days or in such reasonable time that a person may require to obtain a physician's statement. If the physician's statement is not filed, or, if upon review of the report from the physician the commissioner finds that a person cannot drive safely, all driving privileges shall be canceled under authority of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.14, and denied under authority of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (7) or (11). The person shall not be issued any driving privileges until the commissioner finds that the person is competent to drive safely.

Subp. 3. **Reinstatement.** For reinstatement, the commissioner shall require a satisfactory statement from any institution in which the person has been treated, from any treating physician, or from any competent authority demonstrating that the individual is competent to drive safely.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 171.04; 171.13; 171.14*

History: *17 SR 1279; L 1996 c 455 art 3 s 24; L 1999 c 238 art 2 s 91; L 2013 c 59 art 3 s 21*

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