



## Driver Improvement Instructor Application

- Review the Driver Improvement Rules & Regulations, Qualifications of Instructors (375-5-1-.16). Driver Improvement Program Rules and Regulations can be accessed through the DDS website ([dds.georgia.gov](http://dds.georgia.gov)).
- All applicants must sign the Statement of Completion at the bottom of this page and include this page with the application.
- All applicants are required to complete all sections of the application.
- All applicants must submit an application fee of \$100.00 in the form of a money order, certified check, or cashier’s check made payable to Georgia Department of Driver Services.
- All applicants must undergo a national and state criminal fingerprint-based background check using the Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS) (<https://www.aps.gemalto.com/ga/index.htm>). Refer to the attached fingerprint instructions (RC-GAPS-999) for more information.
- All applicants must submit a notarized Consent for Background Investigation Form. (Form # RC-900)
- If you have been licensed in a state (or states) other than Georgia in the past five (5) years, you must obtain and submit a Motor Vehicle Report (MVR) from each state in which you were licensed except Georgia.
- Submit a copy of your high school diploma, GED equivalent, college diploma or official transcript.
- Submit a current copy of your instructor certification from one of the approved curricula:
  - American Automobile Association (AAA) – (313) 336-0535
  - American Safety Council (ASC) – (407) 539-0163
  - Driving Educators of Georgia (DEOG) – (770) 528-5611
  - Georgia Association for Risk Reduction and Defensive Driver Education (GARDE) – (770) 830-0045
  - National Safety Council (NSC) – (770) 729-0077 Ext. 41004

### STATEMENT OF COMPLETION

I hereby certify that this application includes all documents and fees which are required to be attached for the approval as outlined above. I understand that the *average* time it may take to process this application is 30 days. I understand that an incomplete application or application lacking the necessary paperwork will result in my application not being processed and may result in fees being forfeited.

Printed Name

Legal Signature

Date

**Please submit application, fees and all supporting documents to:  
Georgia Department of Driver Services  
Attn: Regulatory Compliance Division  
2206 Eastview Parkway  
Conyers, GA 30013**

**An application drop box is also available at the entrance of the Conyers Customer Service Center.**



**SECTION 1: Applicant Information**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle Name Suffix

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth Driver's License # State of Issuance

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address City County State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address  Same as above City County State Zip Code

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Home Phone Number Cell Phone Number Work Phone Number

**\*\*Each applicant must provide a secure, individual email address that only the applicant can access. The Department will use this email address for official purposes. The applicant should check the email account during the certification process.\*\***

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*Email Address

Which curricula are you certified to teach or will become certified to teach?

AAA  ASC  DEOG  GARDE  NSC

List the name(s) of the driver improvement clinic(s) you will be associated with:

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**1.1** Have you been fingerprinted within the past six (6) months for any other DDS program (i.e. risk reduction, driver training)?

Yes  No

**1.1.1** If you answered "Yes" to question 1.1, indicate in the space provided below the program(s) for which you were fingerprinted and the date(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Program(s) Date(s)

**1.2** Are you currently, or have you ever been, certified as a driver improvement clinic owner or instructor in the state of Georgia?

Yes  No

**1.2.1** If you answered "Yes" to question 1.2, list your certification number: \_\_\_\_\_

**1.3** Are you currently, or have you ever been, certified by the Department of Driver Services, as a risk reduction or driver training owner or instructor, an ignition interlock operator, or an alcohol and drug awareness (ADAP) instructor?

Yes  No

**1.3.1** If you answered "Yes" to question 1.3, indicate your certification type(s) and certification number(s):

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## SECTION 2: *Applicant Qualifications*

2.1 Are you a United States citizen?

Yes  No

**Note:** Applicants that are not citizens of the United States must submit proof of lawful status with the application.

2.2 Are you currently employed with the Georgia Department of Driver Services?

Yes  No

2.3 Do you have a spouse, dependent child, dependent stepchild, or dependent adopted child that is currently employed with the Georgia Department of Driver Services?

Yes  No

2.4 Are you currently employed as a judge, judicial officer, probation officer, probation employee, law enforcement officer, or employee of a court in this or any other state?

Yes  No

2.5 Do you have a spouse that is employed as a judge, judicial officer, probation officer, probation employee, law enforcement officer, or employee of a court in this or any other state?

Yes  No

2.6 Do you own, manage, or operate a private company that has contracted to provide probation services for misdemeanor cases in this or any other state?

Yes  No

2.7 Are you currently under a contractual agreement to provide services or affiliated with an entity that provides services to the Georgia Department of Driver Services?

Yes  No

3.4.1 If you answered "Yes" to question 3.4., please list the nature of the contractual agreement and the entity if applicable:

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2.8 Are you at least 21 years of age?

Yes  No

## SECTION 3: *Educational Experience*

| Name of High School        | City/State | Diploma Obtained?  | GED Obtained?   | Date Obtained  |
|----------------------------|------------|--|---|----------------|
|                            |            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable |                |
| Name of College/University | City/State | Degree Obtained?   | Major Field of Study  | Dates Attended |
|                            |            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |   |                |
|                            |            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |   |                |
|                            |            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |   |                |



**SECTION 4: *Applicant Affirmation***

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Under penalty of law, I do hereby swear or affirm that all the information that I have provided herein is complete and accurate.

I will refrain from abusing alcohol or other drugs, and from using illegal drugs.

I will maintain all reports and information as specified in the DDS rules and regulations.

I understand that DDS will list my name and address as public record.

I hereby authorize the release to DDS of any information necessary for the determination of my application for instructor certification. I understand that this information will be used only for the purpose of processing my application. Photocopies of this authorization will be valid for the purpose of obtaining requested information.

***I understand that to knowingly make a false statement or conceal a material fact in this application will result in the denial of my application, the cancellation of my certification (if applicable), and criminal charges being brought against me.***

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**Legal Signature**

**Date**

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_.

**(SEAL)**

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Notary

**Georgia Department of Driver Services  
Regulatory Compliance Division, 2206 East View Parkway, Conyers, GA 30013  
CONSENT FOR BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION**

|                                 |   |   |                 |
|---------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|
| OFFICE USE ONLY<br>FILE NUMBER: | OFFICE USE ONLY<br>DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED: | OFFICE USE ONLY<br>BACKGROUND<br><input type="checkbox"/> DRIVER'S HIST<br>P F<br><input type="checkbox"/> CRIMINAL HIST<br>P F | OFFICE USE ONLY |
| OFFICE USE ONLY                 |   |   |                 |

| APPLICANT TYPE: (OFFICE USE ONLY)                        |   |                                     |                                     |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Risk Reduction              | <input type="checkbox"/> Owner          | <input type="checkbox"/> Director   | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driver Improvement              | <input type="checkbox"/> Owner          | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructor |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driver Training                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Owner          | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructor |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Third Party                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Tester         | <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner   |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ignition Interlock              | <input type="checkbox"/> Owner/Operator |                                     |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For-hire License Endorsement    |   |                                     |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Veh. Training School | <input type="checkbox"/> Owner          | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructor |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle Safety               | <input type="checkbox"/> Coach          |                                     |                                     |

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|---|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Last Name   | First Name                                 | Middle         | Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)<br>/ / |
| Driver's License Number (Include ALL zeros)   | Issue date (Exam date)                     | State          | Social Security Number            |
| Current Street Address  |  | City and State | Zip Code                          |
| Have you held any other driver's license(s) in the past 5 years?<br><br>Yes      No | If so, list state(s) and license number(s) |                | Phone Number                      |
| Company   |  |                | Phone Number                      |
| Address   |  | City and State | Zip Code                          |

Have you been convicted of, plead guilty to, or plead nolo contendere to any crime, whether felony or misdemeanor, in this state, in any other state, or in the federal system within the past ten (10) years?  Yes     No

Have you ever served time for any crime, whether felony or misdemeanor, in this state, in any other state, or in the federal system within the past ten (10) years?  Yes     No

Have you ever been on probation or parole for any crime, whether felony or misdemeanor, in this state, in any other state, or in the federal system within the past ten (10) years?  Yes     No

Do you have a charge(s) or a court hearing pending, or are you under indictment or accusation for any crime?  Yes     No

**If you answered "yes" to any of the above, please note the offense, date and location below:**

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**I hereby apply for Certification(s) to be issued by the Regulatory Compliance Division of the Department of Driver Services (DDS). I understand that my national and state criminal history, driver's history, and legal presence will be checked. I hereby give consent for the DDS to conduct whatever investigations necessary to determine my eligibility to hold such a certificate. I understand that false, misleading, or incomplete information in my application or on this Consent Form may result in certificate denial, cancellation, suspension, or revocation, as well as possible criminal prosecution and civil action. Under penalty of perjury, I do hereby swear or affirm that the information contained within this application, and any statements made in connection therewith, are complete, true and correct.**

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| Signature | Date |
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**THIS CONSENT FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED**

|                                    |               |
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| Subscribed to and sworn before me: | SEAL OR STAMP |
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| Notary Signature | Date |
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My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS)**

All persons applying with the Georgia Department of Driver Services (DDS) to become certified in any of the regulated program areas listed below must use the **Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS)** to satisfy the statutorily required national and state fingerprint-based criminal history check.

- **Driver Training School Owners/Directors/Instructors**
- **Driver Improvement School Owners/Instructors**
- **DUI/Risk Reduction School Owners/Directors/Instructors**
- **Third Party Testers/Examiners**
- **Ignition Interlock Provider Center Owners**
- **For-Hire Driver Endorsement**
- **Commercial Vehicle Driver Training School Owner/Instructor/Tester/Examiner**

**NOTE: Fingerprint standards set forth by the Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) prevent DDS from downloading fingerprint results until a certification application is submitted. In addition, fingerprint results are only available to DDS for download for 30 days. **THEREFORE, you should not start this fingerprinting process until you have submitted a certification application to DDS.** If you have been fingerprinted through GAPS for any DDS regulated program within the past 6 months, your fingerprint results may be used for any additional application(s) submitted for DDS regulated programs during that 6-month period. Please indicate on your application the date you were previously fingerprinted.**

There are several locations throughout the State of Georgia that have been authorized by the NCIC, the GCIC and Gemalto Systems to use LiveScan devices to electronically capture and transmit fingerprints to the GCIC through a secure web-based environment. Criminal history search results, in most cases, will return within 24 to 48 hours following submission of fingerprints, decreasing the overall amount of time it takes for DDS to process your application for certification. Fingerprint results obtained from any source other than the approved GAPS process will not be accepted.

Out-of-state applicants may choose to submit fingerprint cards for an additional charge of \$8. Registration is still required through the GAPS website. Please review the "How to Submit Ink Cards" section on the GAPS Home page for detailed instructions.

Additional information regarding the GAPS process, policies, fees, and print locations may be found at <https://www.aps.gemalto.com>.

### **FINGERPRINT INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **Step 1: Select the GAPS location of your choice.**

- Go to the following website: <https://www.aps.gemalto.com/ga/index.htm>
- Click on the "Find A Fingerprint Location" option.
- All authorized GAPS locations are depicted on an interactive map of Georgia. You may click on any location depicted on the map to obtain more detailed information about individual GAPS sites, including the name of the participating business, address, and telephone number. You may also use the Google Map feature which will show sites located near your current location and provide directions.

## Step 2: Register.

- From the GAPS Georgia Home page, click on the "Applicant Registration" option. This will take you to a page with a listing of multiple agencies.
- Click on the "Department of Driver Services (DDS)" button. You will be taken to the DDS landing page with our contact information. Click on the "Register to be Fingerprinted" button.
- Read the Privacy Rights and click the box to accept the terms. Click "Continue."
- Select your Reason Code from the dropdown box (CDL and Motorcycle Safety Coaches should use the DT reason codes). Complete the web form with your personal data and payment information. You must pay by money order or credit card. Mandatory fields are highlighted in yellow.
- Please be advised that although the use of your Social Security Number is optional, if you do not submit your SSN, the GAPS location will not be able to confirm your registration if you forget to bring your confirmation receipt. In addition, you will not be able to print a replacement receipt. Therefore, you are strongly encouraged to use your Social Security Number.
- Money orders must be made payable to "Gemalto Cogent, Inc." and should be taken to the GAPS location.
- Fingerprinting fees for all DDS regulated programs are \$49.25. A link for the fees can be found under the "Fees" section at the bottom of the GAPS Georgia Home page. **Cash and checks are not accepted.**
- Once all information has been entered, click "Continue." Review your information and if everything is okay, click "Submit."

## Step 3: Print your Receipt.

- A screen appears prompting you to either print your registration receipt or email it.
- If you lose your registration receipt, you can obtain a replacement under the "Reprint Registration Receipt" section located on the GAPS Georgia Home page.

## Step 4: Go to the GAPS location as scheduled to be fingerprinted.

- On the date of your fingerprinting, be sure to call ahead to the GAPS location you plan to visit to confirm their business hours, the hours they do fingerprinting, and that a trained individual is going to be available.
- Be sure to review the FAQ section on the GAPS Georgia Home page for information regarding what forms of identity are required for you to be fingerprinted.