

## Getting an Occupational Driver's License in Texas

If your driver's license was suspended or revoked you **may** be able to get an occupational driver's license. An occupational driver's license is a special restricted license that lets you drive a non-commercial vehicle for work, school or to perform essential household duties.

To get an occupational driver's license you must first get a court order that tells the Texas Department of Public Safety to issue the license.

It's a good idea to ask a lawyer to help you determine if you qualify for an occupational driver's license. You can also hire a lawyer to review your forms before you file them with the court.

### **Do you owe a surcharge?**

#### **Was your license suspended for failure to pay a surcharge?**

You may qualify for the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Driver Responsibility Indigency program.

Under this program, if you have a very low income and meet other requirements DPS can: 1) reduce the surcharge amount you owe and 2) let you keep driving while you make payments on the surcharge amount. For more information about this program go

to: <https://www.txsurchargeonline.com/Indigence.aspx>