

Saskatchewan

Class 1 Truck Driver Training Rebate Program

The Saskatchewan Class 1 Truck Driver Training Rebate Program is designed to help individuals with the cost of obtaining mandatory entry-level training (MELT) and to encourage new Class 1 truck drivers to remain and work in Saskatchewan.

What is the Saskatchewan Class 1 Truck Driver Training Rebate Program?

The program provides a \$5,000 grant to partially cover the cost of mandatory Class 1 truck driver training. The grant is paid out to eligible applicants over five consecutive years, \$1,000 annually, after training is completed.

Additional Information

The initial grant program year is defined as the first taxation year all eligibility requirements are met. Grant recipients may then qualify for up to four additional payments of \$1,000 per year, provided eligibility requirements continue to be met each subsequent tax year. If eligibility requirements are not met in a given year, the grant payment for that year will not be awarded. However, if eligibility is re-established in a later taxation year within the four-year period, the recipient may still qualify for the \$1,000 grant for that year. Grant payments are limited to a maximum of five consecutive taxation years, including the initial year.

The necessary regulations and program guidelines are published on the [Saskatchewan Class 1 Truck Driver Training Rebate Program](#) webpage.

Eligible Applicants

Applicants that meet program eligibility criteria as of October 1, 2024, may apply for the grant starting October 15, 2025.

To be eligible for the grant, applicants must:

- Successfully complete Class 1 MELT training provided by a Saskatchewan Government Insurance certified trainer from October 1, 2024, to December 31, 2028;

- Hold a valid Saskatchewan Class 1 commercial driver's license, issued by Saskatchewan Government Insurance, as of December 31 for each program year they are applying for; and
- File a Saskatchewan income tax return and have an amount of income, or gross income from self-employment reported on the return.

It is important to note that grant applications must be filed within three years of the taxation year being applied for and no applications will be accepted after December 31, 2033.

The grant does not apply to employers or individuals applying on behalf of other individuals.

How to Apply

Applicants are required to apply for their first year of eligibility for the 2024 to 2028 taxation years. Applications will continue to be processed for up to four consecutive taxation years following the first year of eligibility, up to the December 31, 2032, taxation year. The final application deadline is December 31, 2033.

To apply:

1. **Complete the training and obtain a Class 1 commercial driver's licence**
 - Successfully complete MELT at a Saskatchewan Government Insurance certified trainer on or after October 1, 2024, and on or before December 31, 2028.
 - Obtain a Saskatchewan Class 1 commercial driver's license from a Saskatchewan Government Insurance issuer.
2. **File an annual personal income tax return**
 - Complete and file a T1 Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax return.
 - Receive a notice of assessment (NOA) from the Canada Revenue Agency.

3. Apply for the initial year

- When all eligibility requirements are met, submit an application form for that taxation year.
- Provide the following documents with the application:
 - i. Proof of MELT training completion;
 - ii. A copy of the Class 1 licence;
 - iii. A copy of the NOA from the Canada Revenue Agency; and
 - iv. A [Direct Deposit Payment Request form](#).

4. Reapply for Each Subsequent Year

- Applicants must apply annually to receive the full \$5,000 grant. \$1,000 of the grant is paid out for the initial year and an additional \$1,000 is available for each of the next four consecutive years providing eligibility continues to be met.
- Each taxation year, submit the following documents to provide proof of eligibility:
 - i. A copy of the Class 1 licence;
 - ii. A copy of the NOA from the Canada Revenue Agency; and
 - iii. A new Direct Deposit Request Form if your banking information has changed.
- If eligibility requirements are not met in a given year, the grant will not be received for that year and no application form is required.
- If eligibility requirements are met again in a later taxation year (within the four-year subsequent period), the applicant may reapply and qualify for that taxation year's grant.

5. Submit an [Online Application](#)

- Ensure applications are submitted within three years of the taxation year being applied for and no later than December 31, 2033.
- Ensure the application form is properly completed and includes all necessary supporting documents.

6. The Ministry of Finance will verify the grant application and provide:

- A grant of \$1,000 for each qualifying taxation year to a maximum of \$5,000; or
- A written notice indicating that you are not eligible for the grant and the reasons for the determination.

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