

Who Keeps DA Form 348?



Many units are confused about what to do with the DA Form 348, *Equipment Operator's Qualification Record (Except Aircraft)*, after its information is entered into ULLS-G.

Para 4-1b(10) on Page 8 of AR 600-55 (31 Dec 93), *The Army Driver and Operator Standardization Program (Selection, Training, Testing, and Licensing)*, says the unit no longer needs the form and to return it to the driver for his personal records.

AR 600-55, Para 4-1b(10) Misstatement: After information is put into ULLS, there is no requirement for the unit to maintain or retain DA Form 348s. Return the manual form to the individual for the soldier's personal records.

On the other hand, Para 2-1c on Page 4 of DA Pam 750-8 (25 Feb 05), *The Army Maintenance Management System (TAMMS) Users Manual*, says you must keep the DA Form 348 on file in the motorpool.

So what do you do?

Keep the form on file. AR 600-55 is currently being revised and will eventually reflect the guidance from DA Pam 750-8.

The original thought behind transferring the information into ULLS-G was to make it easier to cross check training when units try to dispatch a vehicle. However, the DA Form 348 must remain the official document of record because it contains important information that is never transferred to ULLS-G.

You should continue inputting the data into ULLS-G. Then you can print a DA Form 348-E for local command requirements. But you must keep the original DA Form 348 on file.

HQDA IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON A WAY TO ELIMINATE THE DA FORM 348 PAPER TRAIL BY LINKING THE DATA BACK INTO SAMS-E (AND LATER GCSS-A) USING THE DIGITAL TRAINING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DTMS).



WHEN THAT HAPPENS, DTMS WILL BECOME THE AUTHORIZED SOURCE FOR ALL SOLDIER TRAINING AND SAMS-E WILL PROVIDE THE DATA FOR THE DISPATCHING PROCESS.

NAME (Last, first, initial) AND SERVICE NUMBER Jones, John L. 111-41-7119				PERMIT (Initials) NUMBER J-7119 DATE ISSUED 10 JUN 93 TYPE ARMY STANDARD LIMITATIONS (Physical or operational) R 1 POSITION TITLE (if other)	
SEX M	DATE OF BIRTH 1 May 64	COLOR HAIR Brown	COLOR EYES Green	HEIGHT 5' 9"	WEIGHT 160
SECTION I - OFFICIAL QUALIFICATIONS					
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT HEMTT, M977	SIZE 10 TON	SPECIAL QUALIFICATION ¹ SE	DATE QUALIFIED 10 JUN 93	QUALIFIED AT Ft EVANS, VA	NAME OF EXAMINER GUY F. SMITH
SECTION II - BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE					
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT SEDAN	SIZE 5 PARS	TYPE OF DRIVING OR OPERATION ² CITY/RURAL	ADDITIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSES (State or agency) VA	NUMBER OF OTHER DRIVER'S LICENSES 31 MAY 94 T-4143-2143	SATISFACTORY EXPERIENCE VERIFIED BY GUY F. SMITH
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DATE	CREDITS	DEBITS	TYPE OR NATURE	ACTION TAKEN	
4 JUN 93	40 HRS		QUALIFICATION	COMPLETED DRIVER TRNG IAW AR 600-55, ROBERTE COOK	
10 JUN 93	2 HRS		TESTING/LICENSING	ARMY STANDARD GUY F. SMITH	
10 JUN 93	1 HR		ACCIDENT AVOIDANCE	IAW 600-55, GUY F. SMITH	
12 OCT 93	1 HR		WINTER DRIVER TRNG	IAW TOPE REG 21-305, GUY F. SMITH	
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR'S QUALIFICATION RECORD (EXCEPT AIRCRAFT) (AR 600-55 and AR 348-55)					

DA Pam 750-8, Para 2-1c — DA Form 348 is the only authorized permanent record for documenting equipment operator's qualifications.

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Units maintain all authorized operator's DA Form 348s on file.