Kansas Commercial Vehicle Operators

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January 1, 2014

Commercial Vehicle Registration Changes

In addition to the current registration fee a **Commercial Vehicle Fee** will be collected based on the registered weight of the vehicle.

If you register commercial vehicles that fit the definition and are engaged in the furtherance of commerce read this entire brochure.

**Definition of a Commercial Vehicle:**

A commercial vehicle is any self-propelled or towed motor vehicle engaged in commerce

- that is used to transport property or passengers when the vehicle:
- has a gross vehicle weight or gross combination vehicle weight of 10,001 pounds or more or
- is designed or used to transport 15 or more passengers, including the driver or
- is used to transport hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding.
Your vehicles are operating **in furtherance of commerce** if any of the following apply to you:

1. Money earned is declared as income from a business for tax purposes;
2. Costs for the underlying activities are deducted as a business expense for tax purposes;
3. Products and/or money is accepted for advertising a sponsor;
4. The transport vehicle is being used in the furtherance of a commercial operation.

**Do I need a USDOT Number to register my vehicles?**

- If your commercial vehicles travel outside of Kansas you will need to have a USDOT number.
- Or, if your vehicles fit the definition of a Commercial Vehicle, are engaged in the furtherance of Commerce and **do not fall under one of the exemptions**, you need a USDOT number.

For a detailed explanation of Kansas USDOT requirements go to [www.truckingks.gov](http://www.truckingks.gov) under Commercial Motor Vehicle Resources watch

**Do I need a US DOT number information/presentation**

**Highlights**

The commercial vehicle fee replaces the current property tax for both interstate and intrastate commercial vehicles.

Registration fees and Commercial Vehicle fees will be collected on all commercial vehicles registered in Kansas.

All commercial vehicle registration will be from January 1 through December 31, with a grace period through March 1.

All commercial vehicles will be registered by the “fleet”.

A “fleet” of commercial vehicles is one or more vehicles.

**Kansas Based IRP Registered Vehicles**

Kansas based IRP (interstate) registered commercial vehicles will pay the commercial vehicle fee. The amount of the commercial fee will be based on their apportioned Kansas percentage. The commercial vehicle fee will be remitted to the County in which the interstate commercial fleet account is based.

**Non-Kansas Based IRP Registered Vehicles**

Out of State apportioned carriers (International Registration Plan; IRP) will pay the commercial fee based on their apportioned Kansas mileage percentage. The commercial vehicle fee will be collected on all out-of-state vehicles being registered in Kansas.

**Intrastate Commercial Vehicle**

The Commercial Vehicle fee for intrastate commercial vehicles will be distributed in the same manner as property taxes levied on motor vehicles.
Commercial Vehicle fees will be credited to the County where the intrastate commercial vehicle is based. If an operator of intrastate commercial vehicles registers in One County, but has vehicles based in another County, the County collecting the commercial vehicle fee will remit the fee to the County where the vehicle's base is declared. The Commercial Vehicle fee is the same in all Counties.

These changes allow commercial vehicle registrations in a single fleet registration transaction in a single County by declaring the County where each vehicle is based that they are registering.

**Commercial Vehicle**

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*The 12,000 lb. category is broken down by the age of the vehicle

** Commercial Vehicle Fee will be prorated the same as registration fees

CMV Fees will be based on the apportioned mileage percentage for all IRP registrations.

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