

TRUCK DRIVERS' PRETRIP CHECK LIST

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DRIVERS' PRETRIP CHECK LIST

INSIDE

Parking Brake (Apply)

START ENGINE

- Oil Pressure (Light or gauge)
- Air Pressure or Vacuum (Gauge)
- Low Air or Vacuum Warning Device
(Air pressure below 40 psi check on pressure build-up. Air pressure above 60 psi deplete air until warning device works.) (Vacuum below 8 inches Hg. check on build-up. Above 8 inches Hg. deplete vacuum until device works.)
- Instrument Panel
(Telltale lights or buzzers)
- Horn
- Windshield Wiper and Washer
- Heater - Defroster
- Mirrors
- Steering Wheel (Excess play)
- Apply Trailer Brakes in EMERGENCY
- Turn on all Lights including 4-way Flasher
- Fire Extinguisher and Warning Devices

OUTSIDE

FRONT

- Headlights
- Clearance Lights
- Identification Lights
- Turn Signals and 4-way Flasher
- Tires and Wheels (Lugs)

LEFT SIDE

- Fuel Tank and Cap
- Sidemarker Lights
- Reflectors
- Tires and Wheels (Lugs)
- Cargo Tie-downs/or Doors

REAR

- Tail Lights
- Stop Lights
- Turn Signals and 4-way Flasher
- Clearance Lights
- Identification Lights
- Reflectors
- Tires and Wheels (Lugs)
- Rear End Protection (Bumper)
- Cargo Tie-downs/or Doors

RIGHT SIDE

- Fuel Tank and Cap
- Sidemarker Lights
- Reflectors
- Tires and Wheels (Lugs)
- Cargo Tie-downs/or Doors

ON COMBINATIONS

- Hoses and Couplers
- Electrical Connector
- Couplings (Fifth wheel, tow bar, safety chains, locking devices)

ON VEHICLES TRANSPORTING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- Marking or Placards
- Proper Shipping Papers

INSIDE

STOP ENGINE

- Release Trailer Emergency Brakes
- Apply Service Brakes—Air loss should not exceed –
3 psi per minute on single vehicles
4 psi per minute on combinations

FASTEN SEAT BELT

DRIVER'S NAME: _____

DATE: _____

TRACTOR / TRAILER UNIT NO.S: _____



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