

1st STOP CHECKLIST: TRUCKING PRIVATE (IN-STATE/LONG DISTANCE)

Private trucking businesses haul their own property in their own or rented trucks. In-state trucking is also known as **INTRASTATE** trucking. Long distance truck services (traveling in and out of state) are also known as **INTERSTATE** trucking.

REQUIREMENTS & REGULATIONS

- [] For more information, consult the **Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5577 and 4513.01 to 4513.37. Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Section 4901:2-1 to 4901: 2-21.** The **ORC** and **OAC** can be found in your local library or on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov>.
- [] Trucking companies must register with the **Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's (PUCO) Motor Carrier Division**. The registration forms are attached and can also be found on-line. Private Motor Carrier Safety Rules can also be found on the PUCO web site at www.puco.ohio.gov. If you have questions about registration requirements, contact the Motor Carrier Division.
- [] If you will haul **hazardous material**, you must register with the **Alliance for Uniform Hazmat Transportation**. If you have questions, contact the **PUCO**.
- [] The **PUCO's Motor Carrier Division** can be reached at **(800) 686-7826 or (614) 466-3392** and found on-line at www.puco.ohio.gov.
- [] If you will tow oversize loads, you will need a special hauling permit from the **Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)**. Contact ODOT's main office at **(614) 351-2300** or your ODOT District Office for more information. Permit and fee information can also be found at www.dot.state.oh.us/permits/
- [] Trucks that travel *outside of the state* must have an **Ohio International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) Account** with the **Ohio Department of Taxation**. Forms are attached and can also be found at: http://www.tax.ohio.gov/excise/motor_fuel.aspx. If you have questions, contact the **Ohio Department of Taxation's Fuel Use Tax Section** can be reached at **(888) 405-4039 or (614) 466-3410/**
- [] **The Motor Fuel Tax** is an excise tax applies to all dealers in motor vehicle fuel on the use, distribution, or sale within Ohio of fuel used to generate power for the operation of motor vehicles. Information can be found at the ORC on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/5735>
- [] You need a **commercial driver's license**. Contact the **Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV)** at **(614) 752-7800** for more information. The BMV is on-line at www.bmv.ohio.gov.

For more help, contact your local Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov

REMEMBER TO CHECK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

THIS CHECKLIST IS ABOUT STATE REQUIREMENTS.