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"To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often"

Winston Churchill



Insurance Business America named National Risk Management Services as one of the top 60 specialist brokerages in 2017

Are you prepared?

The annual Roadcheck Inspection Blitz is occurring June 6-8

This year inspectors will be placing an emphasis on cargo securement

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Brake Safety Day set for September 7, 2017

Greetings!

National Risk Management Services celebrated our 25th Anniversary on May 1. We would like to extend a big THANK YOU to our trucking customers and partners for supporting us on this journey!



If you are not a customer, give us a shot to see why over 500 Motor Carriers and 10,000 Owner Operators trust National Risk with their insurance program. [Click here to read some testimonials.](#) Call us at (800) 747-6247 to see how we can support your needs,



The new mainstream for trucking ... captive insurance

It is a common misconception that captive insurance programs are only available for large trucking fleets.



Captives have become such a pervasive risk management tool in trucking that they are no longer viewed as an "alternative" risk finance solution -- captives are mainstream.

Look for an invitation from us reviewing captives for motor carriers via webinar in May.



Confused about documentation requirements? Or, just need a

Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance will conduct a single intensive brake-safety enforcement day Sept. 7 this year, following years of a full-week Brake Safety Week program.



Celebrating our agency's 25th anniversary in 2017

National Risk partners with these exclusive insurance companies among others...



refreshers...

Acuity created a helpful overview of what documents motor carriers:

- Need to retain
- And for how long

[Download the documentation requirement overview](#)

TIME FOR SOME SPRING (DOCUMENT) CLEANING

It's spring, and that means it's time for some spring cleaning. It's important that you don't just hang your hat in good shape, but also that you take some time to tidy up your records and in good order. You can discard some documents, but be sure you retain ones that are needed. Here are the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's requirements to different types of records and their retention periods.

Document	Retention Period
Complete driver qualifications file	3 years after termination
Registration	3 years after termination
Insurance certificate	3 years
Annual review	3 years
Certificate of inspection	3 years
Motor vehicle report	3 years
Physical exam	3 years
Other record	3 years
<i>Note: Federal laws (FMCSA) and pre-employment drug screen results from when the driver was hired in the file</i>	
Brig and alcohol testing	
Records of random tests with a CDL or government	3 years
Records of a verified positive test result a driver	3 years
Records indicating when a driver is testing	3 years
Drug testing procedure file	3 years
Calibration documentation	3 years
Calibration records	3 years
Annual alcohol test history	3 years
Records relating to an alcohol collection program	3 years
Records of management/records of personnel expenses and driver's letter each personnel have received performing, to reduce unnecessary work (NFTW)	3 years
Records of regular and irregular compliance a driver's records, and employer records with a certain date of hire (not CDL)	3 years
Hours-of-duty and maintenance	
Inspection and reports	1 year or 8 months after vehicle, depending on type, equipment, and use
Driver inspection reports	3 months
Vehicle inspection reports	3 months
Vehicle qualification reports	3 months
On-site inspection certification certificates	3 months
Records of any other and supporting documents	3 months from date of receipt
Equipment reports and related files	3 months

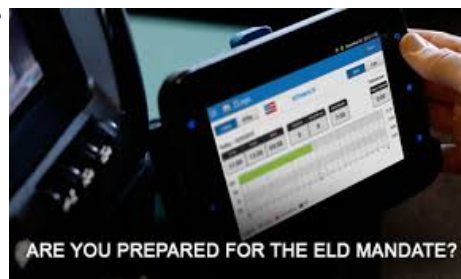
→ The latest news regarding the ELD Mandate

CCJ published a series of interesting articles regarding the conversion to ELDs

- ELD buyers guide
- Dedicated devices vs. smartphone/tablet options
- How drivers and devices track duty status changes
- [Read more](#)

OIDA petitions Supreme Court to hear case against ELD mandate [Read more](#)

Groups push ELD argument to DOT boss [Read more](#)



→ In other news...

CONGRATULATIONS to the following clients that received awards from Great West Casualty Company for outstanding achievement in highway safety:

- Atlas Trucking - Platinum Award
- P&B Trucking - Platinum Award
- Buckeye Intermodal - Gold Award



Ohio legislation would make it easier to get a CDL [Read more](#)

Trucking rap sheet: One charged, two plead guilty in separate

CDL testing schemes. A good reason to road test every driver. [Read more](#)

The cost of non-compliance is going up as the FMCSA increases fines for regulation violations. [Read more](#)

Thanks for taking the time to read our newsletter.

Your insurance risk managers...

Lee Bolko
Mike Bush
Steve Libertore
Tom Lucci

Your safety specialist....

Pat Dull

In over 25 years as a trucking specific insurance agency, we have helped over 500 fleets and 10,000 owner operators drive down losses and find the best transportation coverage available!

This newsletter is sent to highlight potential issues and should not replace legal or agent advice.