

## **FAQs – Registration**

**Q** – Who is required to register under the IRP?

**A** - Apportionable vehicles must be registered under IRP. [The Plan](#) defines an apportionable vehicle as: any vehicle that is used or intended for use in two or more member jurisdictions and that is used for the transportation of persons for hire or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property, and:

- (i) has two axles and a gross vehicle weight or registered gross vehicle weight in excess of 26,000 pounds (11,793.401 kilograms), or
- (ii) has three or more axles, regardless of weight, or
- (iii) is used in combination, when the gross vehicle weight of such combination exceeds 26,000 pounds (11,793.401 kilograms).

**Exceptions:** Recreational vehicles, vehicles displaying restricted plates, or government-owned vehicles.

**Optional:** Trucks or truck tractors, or combinations of vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds (11,793.401 kilograms), or less.

**Q** – Are trailers and semi-trailers required to be apportioned?

**A** – No, the Plan does not require the apportionment of trailers.

Section 515 of the Plan states:

*“A Trailer, Semi-Trailer, or Auxiliary Axle properly registered in any Jurisdiction shall be granted full and free Reciprocity. This Reciprocity shall be deemed registration under the Plan and shall apply to both InterJurisdictional Movement and IntraJurisdictional Movement or operation, provided that appropriate regulatory authority is held, if required.”*

**Q** – Why can't I get my credentials immediately?

**A** – All requirements must be met before credentials are issued. There may also be some jurisdictional delays so check with your base jurisdiction.

**Q** – Why do some jurisdictions require the plate to be returned when the fleet is closed?

**A** – This practice exists to prevent the misuse of any unexpired plates. The base jurisdiction may require plates either be returned or that the motor carrier certify they

have been destroyed. This is done if a vehicle is removed from a fleet during the registration year because the vehicle has been sold, destroyed, or otherwise removed from the service of the motor carrier.

**Q** – What are the base jurisdiction requirements?

**A** – Base jurisdiction is where the motor carrier has an established place of business and owns, leases, or rents a physical structure that is designated by a street name or road. Jurisdictions require documents as proof of established place of business, such as utility bills in a company or a person's name, state government provided documents showing corporate residency, weapons permit (US only), driver's license, titles, tax returns showing home jurisdiction address, or health care card (Canada only). Check with your base jurisdiction for information about specific documents accepted as proof of established place of business.

**Q** – When paying my registration fees, what payment options are available to me?

**A** – This varies by jurisdiction. [Contact your individual jurisdiction.](#)

**Q** – What are the requirements for operating IRP in Canada and the US?

**A** – Check the [Cross Border Requirements](#) for information on operating in Canada and the United States. [Contact your individual jurisdiction](#) for more information.

**Q** – What are the vehicle titling requirements in each jurisdiction?

**A** - This varies by jurisdiction. [Contact your individual jurisdiction.](#)

**Q** – What are the contacts for IRP jurisdictions?

**A** – See the [jurisdictional office information](#) on IRP's website.

**Q** – What are each jurisdiction's weight restrictions?

**A** - See the [jurisdictional data on IRP's website](#) for maximum weights or contact your individual jurisdiction for more information.

**Q** – What are the different terms regarding weight within IRP?

**A** – Access an overview of different weight terms and acronyms [here](#).

**Q** – Does IRP, Inc.'s website have links to jurisdictions' online systems?

**A** – No jurisdiction online systems are not accessible through this website. See jurisdictional office information to access this information.

**Q** – Can I register in IRP if my vehicle is less than 26,000 pounds?

**A** – Yes, the Plan allows for these vehicles to be registered in IRP at the option of the registrant.

**Q** – Do my IRP and IFTA base jurisdictions need to be the same?

**A** – No, the base jurisdiction does not need to be the same. However, the requirements to obtain IRP and IFTA are different.

**Q** – What is the difference between application/registration period and reporting period?

**A** - Application/registration periods are determined by each jurisdiction; the distance reporting period is always July 1 to June 30 and is dictated by the IRP Plan.