Commercial Vehicles Traveling to Canada

Are you traveling to Canada? The items listed below should be considered prior to entry into Canada with your commercial vehicle. Some jurisdictions have additional requirements. You may refer to the IRP jurisdiction directory at https://www.irponline.org/search/custom.asp?id=5283 for jurisdiction registration and contact information.

Canada Border Services Agency
www.cbsa.gc.ca

Carrier Codes
A carrier code is a four-character unique identifier that is assigned by the CBSA to identify a carrier. With the implementation of E-manifest – Advance Commercial Information (ACI), all carriers crossing the border with commercial goods require a carrier code. http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/services/carrier-transporteur

Insurance Requirements / Insurance Filings
Commercial vehicles traveling to Canada are required to have minimum limits of third party liability and cargo insurance based on the commodity hauled.
The only Canadian jurisdiction that requires Insurance Certificates to be filed is British Columbia. Contact the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) for information regarding financial responsibility filings.

http://www.icbc.com/vehicle-registration/licence-plates/Pages/default.aspx

Trucks and Power Units (all funds are in CAD)

Third Party Liability Coverage
General Freight – Minimum of $1,000,000.00 Dangerous Goods – Minimum of $2,000,000.00

Cargo Insurance (For Hire Carriers only)
Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) up to 27,998 lbs or 12,700 kg require a minimum of $15,000 GVW up to 46,296 lbs or 21,000 kg require a minimum of $20,000
GVW up to 81,570 lbs or 37,000 kg require a minimum of $27,000 GVW in excess of 81570 lbs or 37,000 kgs require a minimum of $32,000

Buses (all funds are in CAD)

Public Liability Coverage
Passenger Capacity 15 or less $1,000,000 Passenger Capacity 16 or more $ 3,000,000

Vehicle Registration
Commercial vehicles traveling into Canada may be required to register. You can register using the International Registration Plan or by purchasing Trip Permits in any jurisdictions in which travel is intended. The requirements and GVW thresholds vary between the jurisdictions. Jurisdiction registration and contact information is on the IRP website at https://www.irponline.org/search/custom.asp?id=5283.

Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act
This fuel charge, new in 2019, applies to 21 types of fuel and to combustible waste in Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nunavut, Ontario, Saskatchewan, and Yukon.

Fuel charge information sheet.

What the Canadian fuel charge means for interjurisdictional road carrier.

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