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## UCR Auto-Renew Program

The first year of UCR's auto-renew program is coming up fast! Over 21,000 carriers have signed up to have their 2025 registration automatically renewed by the NRS. These carriers will soon begin to receive emails to remind them of the upcoming automatic registration. These registrations will all be done with option A and use the number of power units on their most current MCS-150 form. Payment will be automatically completed through the credit card the carrier authorized on the NRS during their 2024 registration. More information about this program will soon be available on the [www.plan.ucr.gov](http://www.plan.ucr.gov) website. For assistance with how to help carriers through this process, please contact the UCR helpdesk at 1-833-827-7526 or email them at [helpdesk@ucr.gov](mailto:helpdesk@ucr.gov).

## 2025 UCR Registration

Approved 2025 fees are now available for your reference. The 2025 Registration Portal through the NRS opens October 1, 2024.

Fee Bracket	# Vehicles Owned or Operated	Fee Per Entity (Carrier or Forwarder)	Fee Per Entity (Broker or Leasing Company)
1	0 to 2	\$46.00	\$46.00
2	3 to 5	\$138.00	
3	6 to 20	\$276.00	
4	21 to 100	\$963.00	
5	101 to 1,000	\$4,592.00	
6	1,001 +	\$44,836.00	

## Policy Spotlight: UCR Mandatory Training Policy

UCR requires at least one representative from each participating

state to watch each new virtual training within 30 days of its release. UCR also requires at least one state representative to attend each in-person training session when scheduled. UCR will reimburse one attendee from each state for travel expenses under the federal travel regulation rates and requirements incurred for attending any mandatory in-person UCR trainings.



View the [UCR Mandatory Training Policy](#) as well as all of the policies and procedures adopted by the UCR Board of Directors [in the Policies & Procedures section of the UCR website](#).

## Industry News

### Federal Highway Administrator Resigns

Federal Highway Administrator Shallen Bhatt announced Sept. 6 that he is leaving his post where he has led 2,700 FHWA employees and administered awards totaling more than \$350 billion in bipartisan infrastructure funds and other grants during his tenure with the Biden administration.

[Read the Article](#)

Source: "Federal Highway Administrator Bhatt to Resign." Transport Topics, September 9, 2024. [www.ttnews.com](http://www.ttnews.com).

### Celebrate National Truck Driver Appreciation Week

National Truck Driver Appreciation Week is September 15-21, 2024. This annual, nationwide celebration and cornerstone program was launched by the American Trucking Associations in 1988 to recognize and honor the vital contributions of truck drivers.

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Source: "Celebrating America's Truck Drivers" American Trucking Associations, September 9, 2024. [www.trucking.org](http://www.trucking.org).

### Illinois-based Trucking Company Abruptly Closes

Midwest Transport Inc. (MTI), an Illinois-based trucking and logistics company, which contracted with the United State Postal Service (USPS) to haul mail has reportedly notified its employees, including more than 480 drivers, that the carrier is ceasing operations, according to sources familiar with the closure.

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Source: "Midwest Transport abruptly ceases operations; drivers told via phone call" The Trucker, September 9, 2024. [www.thetrucker.com](http://www.thetrucker.com).

## Rail Shippers Reveal Preference for Trucks

More regulatory oversight is needed to keep rail volumes from shifting to trucks and limiting the railroads' growth potential, rail customers have told the Surface Transportation Board. Their testimony, along with that of railroads, unions, industry consultants and others has been filed with STB ahead of a two-day hearing at the agency next week over concerns about the railroads' ability to continue to grow their business.

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Source: "At STB, rail shippers reveal preference for trucks." FreightWaves. September 9, 2024. [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com).

## Upcoming UCR Events



### 2024

This calendar at a glance is subject to change. For the most up-to-date meeting and event information, [please check the UCR website](#).

**October 3:** [Finance Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Phoenix, AZ*

**October 4:** [Education and Training Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Phoenix, AZ*

**October 24:** [Board of Directors Meeting](#)  
*Atlanta, GA*

**October 24:** [Audit Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Teleconference*

**November 5:** [Industry Advisory Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Teleconference*

**November 14:** [Finance Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Teleconference*

**December 5:** [Board of Directors Meeting](#)  
*Savannah, GA*

**December 19:** [Education and Training Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
*Teleconference*

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