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# 2021 UCR Registration Is Open

Registration for the 2021 UCR registration year is open, with <u>no fee changes</u> from the 2020 registration year. Registration for the 2019 registration year has closed (except for state audit purposes).

#### **Register Now**

For support or questions, call 1-833-UCR-PLAN or email helpdesk@ucr.gov.

# 2021 UCR Enforcement Is Active



Enforcement of 2021 UCR registration (opened October 1) became effective January 1, 2021. See our <u>training video on enforcement</u> for more information and watch more training videos for state employees in the <u>Education and Training Center</u>.

## **UCR Policy Spotlight: Audit Compliance**



Participating states are required to perform audits each year on carriers who retreat from one payment bracket to a lower payment bracket, to verify that the company has properly deducted vehicles from its UCR payment. If a participating state fails to meet the audit requirements of the UCR Agreement, Section 19, or fails to meet the audit reporting standards required by Paragraph 5 of Section 19, the Board

will take the following actions:

- The Chair of the UCR Audit Subcommittee shall notify the state that it is out of compliance with the requirements of Section 19, and specify how the state has failed to comply. A state representative will be required to appear before the UCR Board to present the state's action plan for returning to compliance.
- 2. If the state fails to follow its action plan and remains out of compliance six months after the state representative's appearance before the UCR Board, the Chair of the UCR Board will send a letter to the state's Governor (or relevant agency head),

outlining the consequences of remaining out of compliance.

- 3. If the state remains out of compliance after a period of six months following the Chair's letter to the state's Governor, the state shall be suspended. Representatives of a suspended state may not serve on the UCR Board or subcommittee, or receive administrative funding from the Board, except for travel to audit training for participating states. A state remains suspended until coming into compliance with the requirements of Section 19 of the UCR Agreement.
- 4. If the state remains out of compliance after a period of six months following a suspension for noncompliance, the UCR Board may sequester the state's UCR revenues. A state may demonstrate compliance with Section 19 by filing an accurate, timely audit report, and submitting evidence to the Audit Subcommittee that the state has reached compliance.

View the complete <u>Audit Compliance Policy</u>, plus all of the policies adopted by the UCR Board of Directors, in the <u>Policy Resource Center</u> on the UCR website.

#### **Industry News**

### How Truck Automation May Change Roadside Inspections

You know what currently happens at a roadside inspection, but what might happen in the perhaps-not-so-distant future when your truck is highly or fully automated?

#### Read the Article

Source: Cullen, David. "How Truck Automation May Change Roadside Inspections." Truckinginfo. January 3, 2021. www.truckinginfo.com

### **New App Supports Driver Wellness**

Rolling Strong launched a free version of its new mobile app to support driver health and wellness. Included is a self-health assessment, tools for logging food, hydration and sleep, plus a CDL medical exam reminder. Available in the Apple App Store and on Google Play.

#### Read the Article

Source: Sommers II, John. "Rolling Strong Unveils App That Supports Driver Wellness." Transport Topics. January 4, 2021. www.ttnews.com

### **Upcoming UCR Events**



January 28: <u>Board of Directors Meeting</u> Teleconference

**February 4:** Education & Training Subcommittee Meeting *Teleconference* 

March 11: <u>Board of Directors Meeting</u> Teleconference

March 18: Education & Training Subcommittee Meeting Teleconference

March 25: Audit Subcommittee Meeting

Teleconference

April 22: <u>Board of Directors Meeting</u> Teleconference

April 29: Education & Training Subcommittee Meeting Teleconference

**June 7:** <u>Subcommittee Meeting</u> (Audit, Education & Training, and Finance) *Teleconference* 

June 8: <u>Board of Directors Meeting</u> Teleconference