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September 2020

#### 2021 Registration Begins October 1 With No Fee Changes

Registration for the 2021 UCR registration year will open October 1, 2020, at 8:00 a.m. EDT. Fees will remain the same as they are for 2020 and are <u>currently listed</u> on the UCR website. Registration for the 2019 registration year (except for state audit purposes) will end on September 30, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. EDT.

#### **UCR Enforcement Begins January 1**

UCR requests that states begin enforcement of 2021 UCR registration on January 1, 2021.

#### **Education and Training Spotlight: Enforcement**



This training video provides an introduction to UCR from a law enforcement perspective. Learn about concepts essential to understanding and enforcing the UCR program—including:

- Inter- vs. intrastate commerce
- Exemptions
- Common red flags

This video is broken down into three parts. You can skip straight to a section or watch them all straight through. Go to the Education and Training Center to watch the video.

Watch Now

#### **UCR Policy Spotlight: Refund Procedure**

UCR recognizes that errors occur from time to time during the UCR registration process. As a result, registrants often seek a refund when they mistakenly pay the UCR fee in a higher bracket than they should have. Occasionally some registrants



may seek a full refund if they register for UCR when they are not required to do so. In this issue of the UCR Dispatch, we are highlighting some key requirements and restrictions of the Refund Procedure:

- Only carriers, third party permitting services, state users and staff from the UCR helpdesk may request a refund.
- Refund requests for the most current registration year that is open must be made within 60 days of the initial registration.
- Refund requests for all other open year(s) must be made within 30 days of initial registration.
- After a refund request has been submitted, it is reviewed by both the base state and UCR staff and is either approved or denied.
- Any refund request of \$1,000 or more requires the base state to conduct audit procedures on the carrier's request.
- Any amount due to a registrant will be refunded in the exact manner as the original payment, either by credit card or electronic funds payment through the NRS, or by issuance of a physical check if the payment was originally made through the mail.

You can <u>view the full Refund Procedure</u> in the <u>Policy Resource Center</u> on the UCR website. The Policy Resource center features all of the policies of the UCR Plan that have been adopted by the Board of Directors.

**New:** Watch a <u>brief training video</u> for state employees on how to manage refunds in the National Registration System.

If you need further assistance with a refund request, please contact your base state or the UCR helpdesk at 1-833-UCR-PLAN or helpdesk@ucr.gov.

### **Industry News**

## **CVSA Safety Enforcement Operation Catches More Than** 66,000 Drivers

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance partnered with law enforcement for Operation Safe Driver Week. Here are the results.

#### Read the Article

Source: Miller, Eric. "CVSA Safety Enforcement Operation Catches More Than 66,000 Drivers." Transport Topics. September 2, 2020. www.ttnews.com

# Industry Bands Together to Grant Dying Trucker's Final Wish (With Video)

"There was no sadness. Everything was about joy that day."

Read the Article

Source: Hawes, Clarissa. "Industry bands together to grant dying trucker's final wish (with video)." FreightWaves. September 5, 2020. www.freightwaves.com

### **Upcoming UCR Events**



**September 17:** Education & Training Subcommittee Meeting *Teleconference* 

**October 8:** <u>UCR Board of Directors Meeting</u> *Teleconference* 

October 14: Education & Training Subcommittee Meeting Teleconference

**October 15:** <u>Audit Subcommittee Meeting</u> *Teleconference* 

**November 5:** <u>UCR Board of Directors Meeting</u> *Teleconference*