



## Important Notice for Intrastate Motor Carriers

**\*\*EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009\*\***

**Purpose:** The purpose of this notice is to inform intrastate motor carriers that the 81<sup>st</sup> Texas Legislature passed HB 2985, which requires all intrastate motor carriers to have a USDOT number. All motor carriers that are required to have Texas motor carrier registration will continue to be issued a TXDOT certificate number in addition to the USDOT number.

**Note: If you already have an “active” USDOT number, you do not have to re-apply for another one.**

**Contact Information:** Texas Department of Transportation  
 Motor Carrier Division  
 125 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Austin, TX 78701  
 1-800-299-1700, Option 2-1-2  
 Fax (512) 465-3521  
 Visit the TxDOT Web site at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov)

Who Must Apply for a USDOT Number?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New applicants applying for a Texas motor carrier registration (TXDOT certificate number) for intrastate operating authority.</li> <li>• Motor carriers renewing their Texas motor carrier registration (TXDOT certificate number).</li> <li>• Motor carriers re-registering a revoked Texas motor carrier registration (TXDOT certificate number).</li> </ul>
How Do I Obtain A USDOT Number?	<p><b>Online registration is the quickest way to obtain your USDOT number.</b>          When applying online you will be issued a USDOT number immediately.</p> <p>To register on-line visit Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)’s website at: <a href="http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/online-registration">www.fmcsa.dot.gov/online-registration</a>          Select: <b>Registration &amp; Assistance: USDOT Number/Operating Authority.</b>          There is no fee to apply for a USDOT number, however, a Visa or MasterCard must be provided to ensure a digital signature is on file for the official record when applying online.</p> <p><b>Select “Intrastate-Hazmat Carrier” or “Intrastate-Non Hazmat Carrier” on the USDOT MCS-150 application.</b></p> <p>If you are unable to register on-line for a USDOT number, call 1-800-832-5660, and request that FMCSA mail you an application.</p>
FMCSA Contact Information	<p><b>Contact: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration</b>          Attention: USDOT Number Application          1200 New Jersey Avenue SE          Washington, DC 20590  <b>1-800-832-5660</b></p>
Processing Time For Faxing or Mailing Request For a USDOT Number	<p>You may fax your application to (703) 280-4003.          The processing time when applying by fax is 2 to 4 weeks.</p> <p>Mail your Federal Motor Carrier application (USDOT MCS-150) to the FMCSA at the above address. <b>Do not mail the USDOT MCS-150 application to TXDOT.</b>          The processing time when applying by mail is 4 to 6 weeks.</p>
Action Required	<p>If you are applying for a new TXDOT certificate number, contact us at 1-800-299-1700, Option 2-1-2, for further instructions on submitting your application.</p> <p>If you are renewing or re-registering your Texas motor carrier registration, log into your account on-line for further information and instructions.</p>