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## I N S P E C T I O N B U L L E T I N

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### Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Agreement Enforcement Bulletin for 2010 Registration Year

#### Summary

This *Inspection Bulletin* supersedes the *Inspection Bulletin* (No. 2009-02) issued December 23, 2009, which provided for an “Enforcement Moratorium for the UCR 2010 Registration Year” until further notice. This bulletin provides updated guidance for verifying compliance with UCR during roadside inspections and encourages roadside enforcement for the 2010 registration year to begin effective **July 15, 2010**.

#### Background

The 2005 United States Department of Transportation re-authorization bill, also known as SAFETEA-LU, codified UCR into federal law.

#### Enforcement of a Previous UCR Registration Year (2007 – 2009)

In order for roadside enforcement of a previous UCR registration year, enforcement staff should first obtain evidence of interstate operations occurring during that particular registration year. Proof may include but not be limited to log entries; toll receipts; shipping papers; bills of lading; previous years apportioned receipt or prior years roadside inspection reports.

#### Who is Subject to UCR?

All motor carriers (for-hire, private and exempt) – as well as brokers, freight forwarders, and leasing companies operating in interstate or international commerce are subject to the new UCR. Entities based in Canada and Mexico that are involved in interstate or international commerce in the United States are also subject to UCR.

#### Who is Not Subject to UCR?

The following groups are not subject to UCR:

- (1) entities that receive USDOT numbers under the PRISM program as “registrants” but have no interstate operating authority;
- (2) except when a state has adopted the Unified Carrier Registration program for intrastate carriers, purely intrastate carriers, that is those that do not handle interstate freight or make interstate movements;
- (3) Private motor carriers of passengers, meaning those that operate as a private motor carrier engaged in the interstate transportation of passengers which is provided in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise and is not available to the public at large.

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**Which States are Participating in UCR?**

The following forty-one (41) states are participating in UCR for the 2010 calendar/registration year and serve as UCR base states:

Alaska	Delaware	Kansas	Minnesota	New Mexico	Pennsylvania	Utah
Alabama	Georgia	Kentucky	Mississippi	New York	Rhode Island	Virginia
Arkansas	Idaho	Louisiana	Missouri	North Carolina	South Carolina	Washington
California	Illinois	Maine	Montana	North Dakota	South Dakota	Wisconsin
Colorado	Indiana	Massachusetts	Nebraska	Ohio	Tennessee	West Virginia
Connecticut	Iowa	Michigan	New Hampshire	Oklahoma	Texas	

NOTE: Carriers and others subject to UCR domiciled in non-participating states that are involved in interstate or international commerce must register under UCR and declare one of the states listed above as their base state.

Beginning in April of 2010, those subject to UCR were either mailed reminder notices or UCR application forms with instructions on how to register and pay 2010 UCR fees on-line at the national UCR site developed and maintained by the Indiana Department of Revenue. This system is fully operational and is located at [www.ucr.in.gov](http://www.ucr.in.gov). Also, at this site you can find helpful information about UCR with "Informal Guidance for Interested Parties" and "UCR Procedures" available for download. It should be noted that nine additional states have created their own UCR system and are uploading registration data to SAFER daily.

**Is there a UCR Credential?****NO UCR CREDENTIAL IS REQUIRED TO BE CARRIED IN THE COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE.****Guidance**

The Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors encourages roadside enforcement for the 2010 registration year, effective July 15, 2010. Enforcement of UCR should only occur after on-line or telephonic verification that the company has failed to register for the 2010 UCR registration year. Roadside enforcement should only be performed for the 2010 UCR registration year unless proof of operation in a previous UCR registration year can be obtained.

As an attachment to this bulletin, a listing of the forty-one participating states with phone numbers has been provided to verify compliance with UCR. This information should also be given to carriers that are required to register or have questions concerning the program.

- To verify compliance please call during normal business hours and provide the USDOT number with the carrier's name

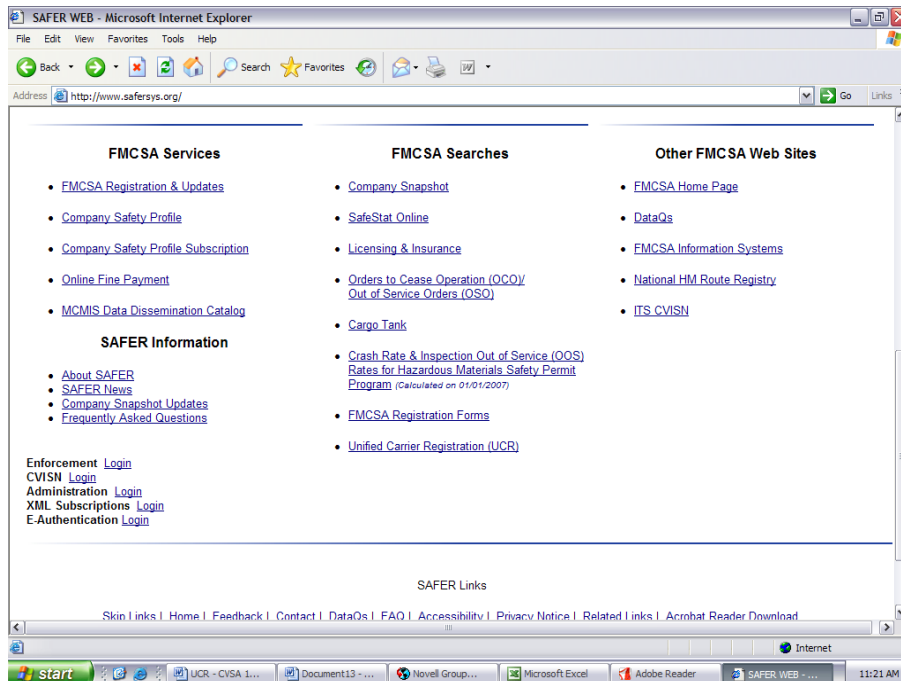
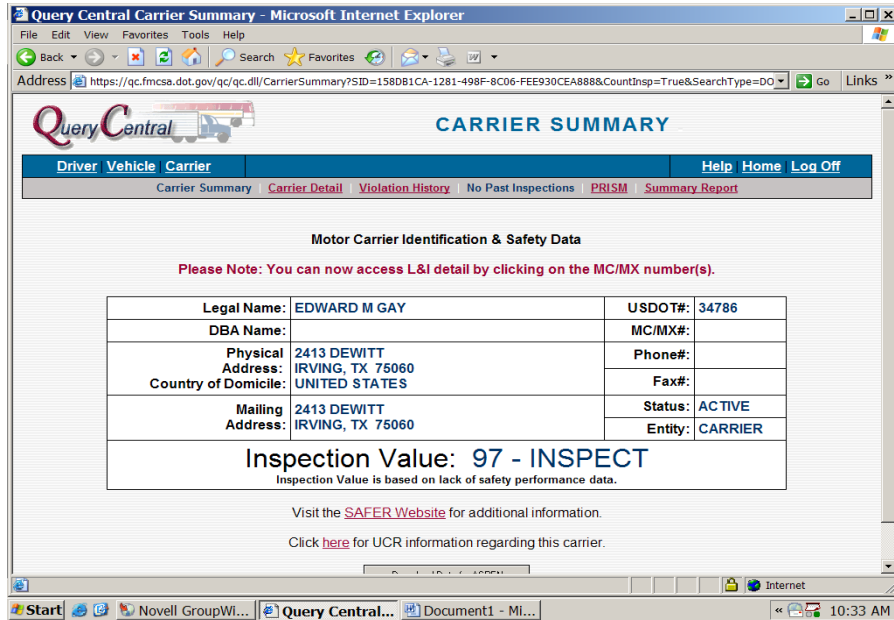
The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has added a 49 CFR violation code into the Aspen software to indicate that a carrier is not in compliance with UCR. It is:

- 392.2UCR - "Failure to pay UCR fees"

For the issuance of citations or traffic summons consult your state statutes and department regulations.

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To verify UCR compliance, access Query Central and at the Carrier Level click on the UCR link at the bottom of the page. You can also go directly to [www.saftersys.org](http://www.saftersys.org). Under the middle column "FMCSA Searches" click on "Unified Carrier Registration (UCR)."



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The following screen shot indicates that the carrier has registered in UCR and no further action is required roadside. Please note that the key field is "Registration Year." In the example provided the carrier has registered for three UCR registration years; 2008, 2009 and 2010.

## ***Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Information***

<b>USDOT:</b>	<b>284600</b>
<b>MC/MX Number:</b>	<b>194782</b>
<b>Freight Forwarder Number:</b>	
<b>Intrastate Vehicles:</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Registration Fee Paid:</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Registration Year:</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Registration Update Date:</b>	<b>2010-04-29</b>
<b>Registration Base State:</b>	<b>USIL</b>
<b>Record Update Date:</b>	<b>2010-04-29</b>

<b>USDOT:</b>	<b>284600</b>
<b>MC/MX Number:</b>	<b>194782</b>
<b>Freight Forwarder Number:</b>	
<b>Intrastate Vehicles:</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Registration Fee Paid:</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Registration Year:</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Registration Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-11-10</b>
<b>Registration Base State:</b>	<b>USIL</b>
<b>Record Update Date:</b>	<b>2009-06-29</b>

<b>USDOT:</b>	<b>284600</b>
<b>MC/MX Number:</b>	<b>194782</b>
<b>Freight Forwarder Number:</b>	
<b>Intrastate Vehicles:</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Registration Fee Paid:</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Registration Year:</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Registration Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-03-20</b>
<b>Registration Base State:</b>	<b>USIL</b>
<b>Record Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-06-16</b>

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The following screen shot indicates a carrier had registered in UCR for 2008 and 2009, but not for 2010. Under this scenario, effective immediately roadside enforcement for the 2010 registration year would be appropriate:

## ***Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Information***

The Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) query provides access to company UCR registration data given the company's USDOT number, MC/MX number or Freight Forwarder number. UCR was established pursuant to the SAFETEA-LU.

USDOT Number MC/MX Number FF Number

Enter Value:

<b>USDOT:</b>	<b>21800</b>
<b>MC/MX Number:</b>	<b>115495</b>
<b>Freight Forwarder Number:</b>	
<b>Intrastate Vehicles:</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Registration Fee Paid:</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Registration Year:</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Registration Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-12-15</b>
<b>Registration Base State:</b>	<b>USIL</b>
<b>Record Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-12-16</b>

<b>USDOT:</b>	<b>21800</b>
<b>MC/MX Number:</b>	<b>115495</b>
<b>Freight Forwarder Number:</b>	
<b>Intrastate Vehicles:</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Registration Fee Paid:</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Registration Year:</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Registration Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-05-15</b>
<b>Registration Base State:</b>	<b>USIL</b>
<b>Record Update Date:</b>	<b>2008-05-16</b>

If the carrier has never registered in UCR the message “No data found for this query” will appear. Under this scenario roadside enforcement would be appropriate effective immediately.

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It is imperative to click on the “Search” button and not the “Enter” key. Clicking on the “Enter” key will result in an inaccurate screen that will not have the message “No data found for this query.”

