DRIVER VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT

PRE-TRIP & POST-TRIP · 49 CFR §396.11 / §396.13

Check each item. Mark the box ONLY if a defect is found. A post-trip report is required whenever a defect or deficiency is discovered (49 CFR §396.11). Before driving, review the last report and confirm any noted defects were corrected (§396.13). FMCSR PART 396

DATE	TRUCK / UNIT #	TRAILER #	ODOMETER

DRIVER NAME

INSPECTION TYPE ☐ PRE-TRIP ☐ POST-TRIP

POWER UNIT — MARK IF DEFECTIVE

- ☐ Service brakes & brake connections
- ☐ Parking (hand) brake
- ☐ Steering mechanism
- ☐ Lighting devices & reflectors
- ☐ Tires
- ☐ Horn
- ☐ Windshield wipers
- ☐ Rear vision mirrors
- ☐ Coupling devices (5th wheel)
- ☐ Wheels & rims
- ☐ Emergency equipment (triangles, extinguisher, fuses)
- ☐ Fluid leaks (oil, coolant, fuel)
- ☐ Exhaust system

TRAILER — MARK IF DEFECTIVE

- ☐ Brake connections & glad hands
- ☐ Brakes
- ☐ Lighting devices & reflectors
- ☐ Tires
- ☐ Wheels & rims
- ☐ Coupling (kingpin / apron)
- ☐ Doors & door latches
- ☐ Landing gear
- ☐ Cargo securement / tarps
- ☐ Frame & body
- ☐ Mud flaps
- ☐ Reflective tape / conspicuity
- ☐ License plate & lights

DEFECT DETAILS / REMARKS

CERTIFICATION

- ☐ Condition of the above vehicle(s) is **satisfactory** — no defects found
- ☐ **Defects noted above** — do not operate until corrected or determined safe

DRIVER SIGNATURE / DATE

MECHANIC: DEFECTS CORRECTED / CORRECTION NOT NEEDED — SIGNATURE / DATE

REVIEWING DRIVER SIGNATURE / DATE

For general guidance only — not legal advice. Confirm requirements with your safety department. Current as of July 2026.