Truck and Trailer Maintenance Log

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Intervals below are EXAMPLE starting points only. Use the intervals in your engine, axle and trailer makers' manuals and your shop's advice. Record every service with date, odometer, work done and who did it.

Tractor: PM service (EXAMPLE intervals, use your manual)

- ☐ PM A: oil and filter, chassis lube, fluid levels, belts and hoses, lights
  EXAMPLE: every 15,000 to 25,000 miles, per engine maker
- ☐ PM B: PM A plus fuel filters, air dryer, brake adjustment check, coolant test
- ☐ Tires: tread depth, pressure, matching duals, sidewall damage
  Out of service at less than 4/32 in on steer tires and 2/32 in on others (49 CFR 393.75)
- ☐ Brakes: pushrod stroke, lining thickness, air leaks
- ☐ Fifth wheel: lube, locking jaws, mounting bolts

53 ft dry van trailer

- ☐ Doors: hinges, lock rods, cam keepers, door seals (no light visible from inside with doors closed)
- ☐ Floor: no holes, soft spots or raised boards; clean and dry
- ☐ Roof and walls: no punctures or leaks; logistics posts intact
- ☐ Landing gear: cranks both speeds, sand shoes intact, lubed
- ☐ Lights and reflective tape: all working and clean (49 CFR 393 Subpart B)
- ☐ Tandem slider: pins lock fully, release arm works, slider rails free of damage
- ☐ Tires and brakes: same checks as the tractor
- ☐ Mud flaps, conspicuity tape, rear impact guard (49 CFR 393.86)

Annual inspection and records

- ☐ Annual inspection done within the last 12 months for each unit (49 CFR 396.17)
- ☐ Inspection report or sticker record kept for each unit
- ☐ Driver vehicle inspection reports kept as required (49 CFR 396.11)
- ☐ Maintenance records kept where you garage the vehicle for 1 year, and 6 months after the vehicle leaves your control (49 CFR 396.3)

Service history

- ☐ Date _____ Unit _____ Odometer _____ Work done _____ Shop _____ Cost $_____
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General information, not legal, tax, insurance or financial advice. Rules change; check each cited official source before you act.

Sources (checked November 2026)

49 CFR 396.17, Periodic inspection: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-396/section-396.17

49 CFR 396.3, Inspection, repair and maintenance: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-396/section-396.3

49 CFR 396.11, Driver vehicle inspection reports: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-396/section-396.11

49 CFR 393.75, Tires: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-393/subpart-G/section-393.75