**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTOR CARRIERS**

Motor carrier companies in the State of Hawaii operating vehicles 1) over 10,000lbs.; 2) less than 10,000 lbs which transport passengers in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise; or 3) transporting hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placards, are required to be in compliance with all State and Federal rules and regulations to safely operate on our roadways. Listed below are the general requirements to get you started. Depending on the commodity being transported on the roadways, additional requirements may be necessary. For additional requirements, you may contact your local Motor Vehicle Safety Office on Oahu (692-7661) Hilo (933-8865), Kona (325-3607) and Maui (873-3093).

**STATE REQUIREMENTS**:

1. Please read and familiarize yourself with the Hawaii Revised Statutes, Part XI Motor Carrier Safety Law, Sections §286-201 through §286-210 - a Pdf copy in DOT Library🡪Motor Vehicle Safety Office
2. Driver Improvement Program - §286-202.5 – Information and forms in the HDOT Library
3. Vehicle Identification Card - §286-204.5 – Information in the HDOT Library
4. Hawaii Driver History Record – refer to HDOT Library 🡪 Highway Safety Section – Drivers
5. DOT Safety Check - §286-209, §286-210 - Information in the HDOT Library

**FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Please read and familiarize yourself with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR), Parts 383, 385, 386, and 390-399 Website: [www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulation](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulation)

 and/or

You can refer to the **Federal Motor Carrier Safety Planner**, which will explain all the necessary Federal requirements and instructions of what to do with reference to the FMCSR regulations above.

Website: <https://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov/safetyplanner/> 🡪 click on ETA-The Motor Carrier Safety Planner 🡪 click on BROWSE.

1. All motor carriers must maintain a Driver Qualification File for each driver employed – requirements and information for the files can be found in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Planner website, refer to #6 above
2. All motor carriers must maintain a Vehicle Maintenance File for each commercial motor vehicle in operation for the company. – refer to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Planner website, refer to #6 above.
3. Accident Register – refer to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Planner website, refer to #6 above.
4. All necessary forms for your Driver Qualification file and Maintenance files can be found in the **Federal Motor Carrier Safety Planner** website 🡪 at the top of the site, go to **Resources and Forms** – drop down and click on FORMS LIBRARY. There in the Library, the forms are available for you to download and use.