URS Rollout at a Glance

Because of the number of systems and organizations impacted, URS requirements will be rolled out in a phased approach to best allow for the smooth transition from current systems.

WHAT	WHEN	WHO
Use of the online registration application for first-time applicants	**12/12/15**	First-time applicants
Use of the online registration application for all reasons to file	**01/14/17**	New and existing entities
USDOT Number as sole identifier (discontinue issuing all other docket numbers – except distinct CT numbers for cargo tank facility registration)	**01/14/17**	New and existing entities
New Fee Schedule	**01/14/17**	New registrants and existing registered users requesting a new type of registration
Evidence of Financial Responsibility (Insurance Filings and Surety Bonds/Trust)	**01/14/17**	New Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Carriers Existing Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Carriers must provide, but no enforcement until April 14, 2017
Process Agent Designation (BOC-3)	**01/14/17**	New Private and Exempt For-Hire Carriers All Existing motor carriers, brokers and freight forwarders must provide, but no enforcement until April 14, 2017
Evidence of Financial Responsibility (Insurance Filings and Surety Bonds/Trust)	**04/14/17**	Existing Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Carriers must have on file
Process Agent Designation (BOC-3)	**04/14/17**	Existing Motor Carriers, Freight Forwarders and Brokers must have on file

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MORE INFORMATION

URS	RESOURCES
URS Website	http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs
FMCSA Portal Account Request	http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs
Financial Responsibility Requirements for Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Carriers	https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/registration/insurance-requirements
Process Agent Designation	https://fmcsa.dot.gov/registration/process-agents
Ask a Question or Contact FMCSA	http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/ask

For more information about the Unified Registration System, visit **http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs**, view Frequently Asked Questions, or call a Customer Service Representative at **1-800-832-5660**.

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Important Facts for Motor Carriers, Brokers, and Freight Forwarders

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WHAT

The Unified Registration System (URS) is a **single online registration system**. URS replaces multiple forms and the registration functions of several systems — such as the Licensing and Insurance System (L&I) and Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS) — that businesses use **to register and update their information** with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

WHY

URS helps raise the safety bar while improving efficiency through:

- Simplified processes and elimination of multiple forms.
- Reduced paperwork and errors.
- Electronic screening of all applications to identify high-risk carriers, including potential reincarnated carriers.

WHO

The URS rule applies to all interstate motor carriers (including private and for-hire passenger and property motor carriers), freight forwarders, brokers, intermodal equipment providers (IEPs), hazardous materials safety permit (HMSP) applicants/holders, and cargo tank manufacturing and repair facilities under FMCSA's jurisdiction. Mexican-domiciled carriers conducting long-haul operations are exempt.

WHEN

URS is being implemented through April 2017. **See the URS Rollout at a Glance chart for details**. Key dates include:

URS	KEY DATES
12/12/15	**First-time applicants must use URS**
01/14/17	**All applicants begin using URS** for all registrations and changes, and changes take effect for USDOT numbers, the new fee schedule, evidence of financial responsibility, and process agent designation
04/14/17	Enforcement begins for existing registrants for evidence of financial responsibility and process agent designation

HOW MUCH

After January 14, 2017

URS	COSTS/FEES
FMCSA charges no fees for biennial updates or name/address/form of business changes	
FMCSA charges $300 per registration type (including safety registration) for new applicants (including private motor carriers) and businesses whose USDOT Registrations (including safety and/or operating authority) have been revoked	
A **$300 fee will** also be charged to **businesses with existing registrations** when they request an **additional registration type**	
FMCSA charges an **additional $10 reinstatement fee per request for suspended registrations**	

WHAT'S CHANGING FOR YOU

- When fully implemented, everyone subject to the URS rule **will use the online application to register and update their information** with FMCSA.
- **All businesses subject to the rule must have a FMCSA portal account before January 14, 2017**. Visit **http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs**. The portal provides instructions and support for obtaining an account.
- **The USDOT number will become the sole identifier**. MC, FF, MX and other FMCSA-assigned numbers will no longer be issued, and FMCSA will no longer accept them as references for filings or other matters. FMCSA will issue numbers to registered businesses without a USDOT number (e.g., small motor carriers, freight forwarders, and brokers) before **January 14, 2017**.
- **New and existing hazardous materials motor carriers and exempt for-hire carriers must provide financial responsibility (insurance) filings** beginning **January 14, 2017** (there is a grace period for existing hazardous materials motor carriers and exempt-for-hire carriers, with enforcement deferred until **April 14, 2017**).
- **Beginning January 14, 2017, all new applicants must select a process agent to file the Form BOC-3** on their behalf before their registration will be granted. A process agent ensures the FMCSA and injured parties can serve legal papers to motor carriers, brokers, or freight forwarders in any state where the registered entities operate. The BOC-3 form must include all states for which process agent designations are required. FMCSA will deactivate USDOT numbers for companies that fail to designate a process agent (there is a grace period for currently registered businesses, with enforcement deferred until **April 14, 2017**).
- **A new fee schedule** will be implemented on **January 14, 2017**.