

OPERATING AUTHORITY VERIFICATION

- ❑ Access **FMCSA Licensing and Insurance (L&I) public Web site** at: <http://li-public.fmcsa.dot.gov>
 - No ID or password required

- ❑ Access **Query Central Web site** at: <http://qc.fmcsa.dot.gov>
 - ID and password are required

- ❑ Dial the **FMCSA Licensing and Insurance (L&I) Status Line** at (202) 366-9805

This line is staffed between 8:30 A.M. & 5:00 P.M., Monday - Friday (EST).

- ❑ Dial the **FMCSA Toll-Free Line** at 1-800-832-5660

This line is staffed between 7:15 A.M. & 4:15 P.M., Monday - Friday (EST).

- ❑ Dial the **L&I Automated Response** Phone System at 1-866-637-0635

An MC/MX number is required to use this system.

- ❑ Dial **FMCSA Authority & Insurance Verification** at (202) 385-2423 or (703) 280-4001

These numbers are staffed 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday - Friday (EST).

OPERATING AUTHORITY DOCKET NUMBERS

U.S. and Canadian-domiciled motor carriers are issued an "MC number"

Mexico-domiciled motor carriers are issued an "MX number"

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North American Borders Division
Washington, DC

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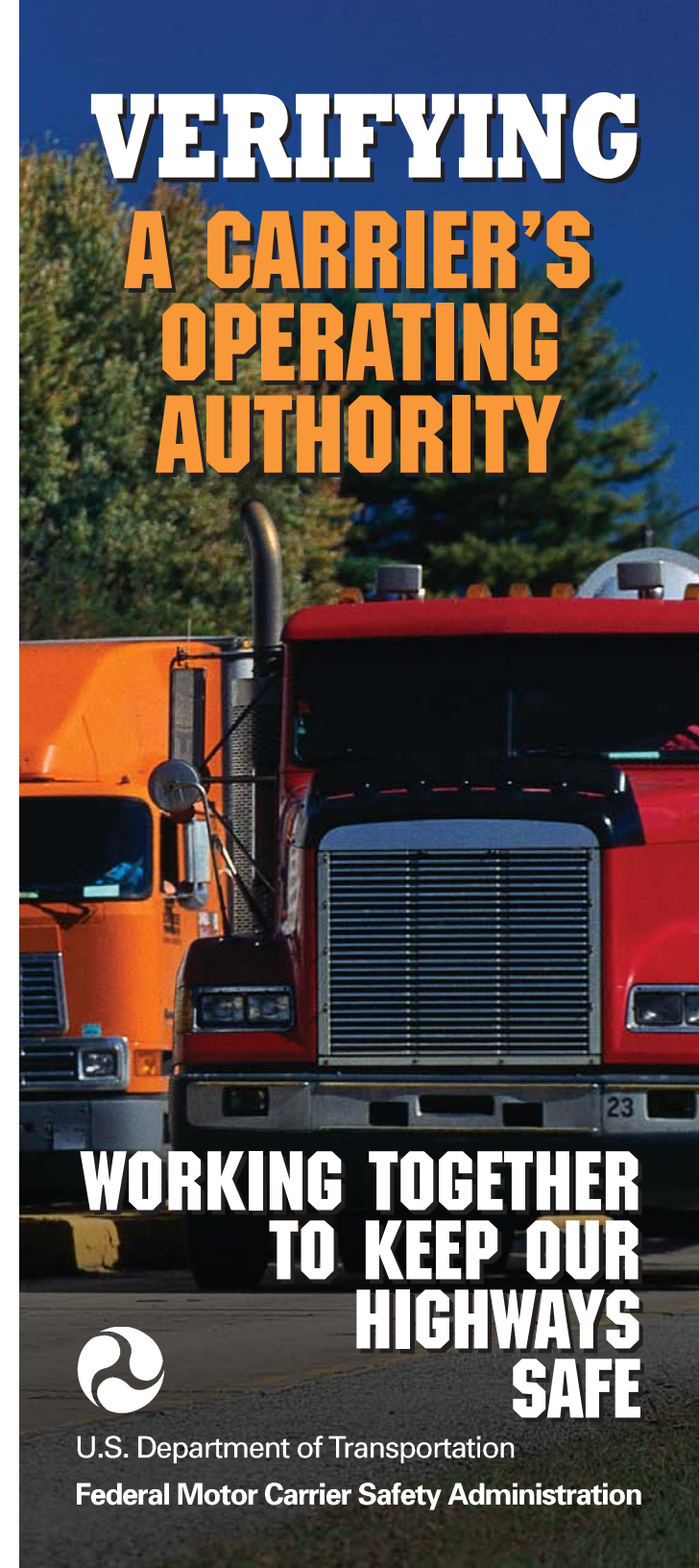
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VERIFYING A CARRIER'S OPERATING AUTHORITY

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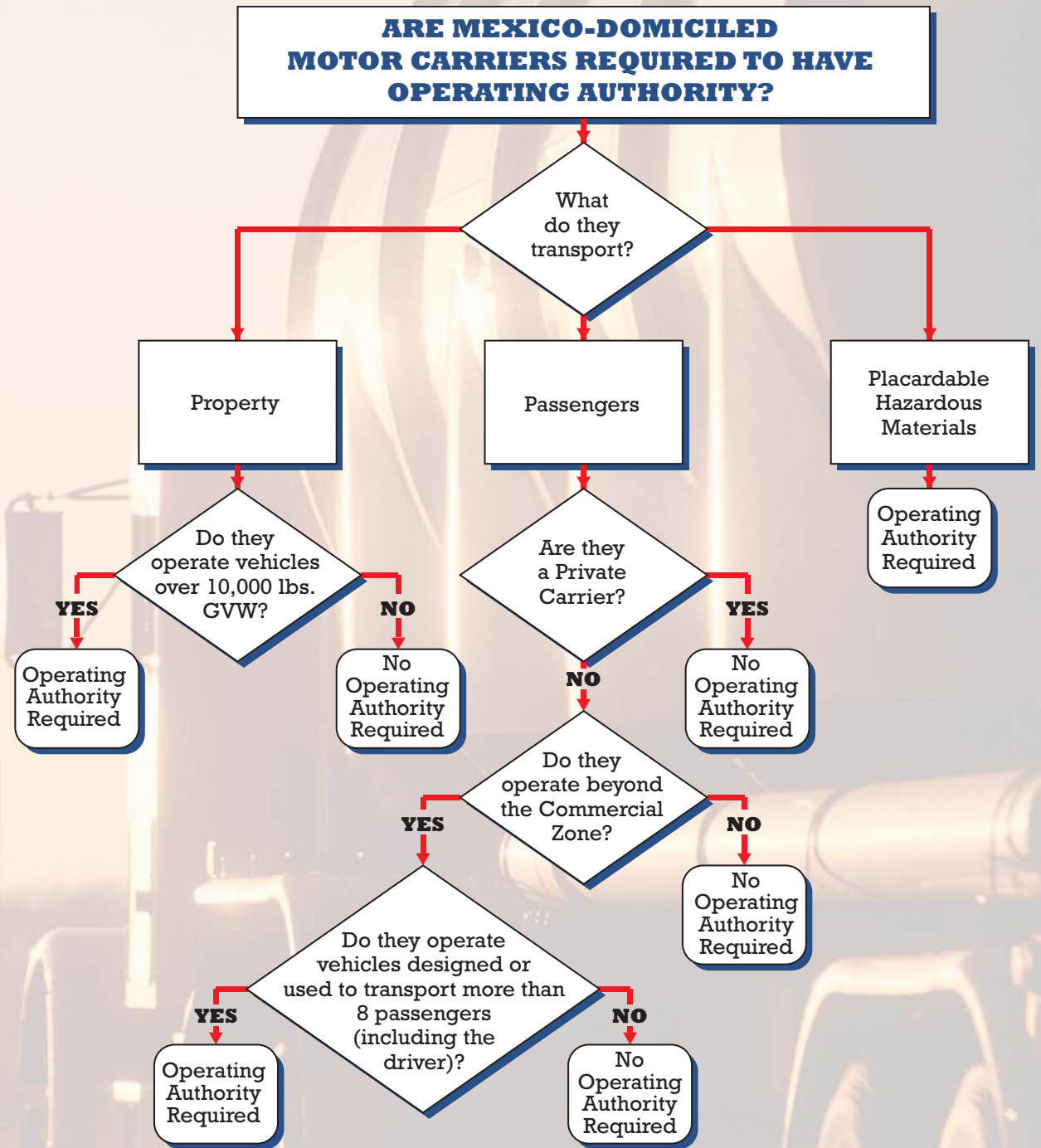
WHAT IS OPERATING AUTHORITY AND WHO IS REQUIRED TO HAVE IT?

Operating Authority is a motor carrier's right to operate a commercial motor vehicle to transport goods or passengers for hire.

All U.S and Canadian-domiciled "For-Hire" motor carriers transporting regulated commodities (property, household goods or passengers) are required to obtain operating authority and maintain proof of insurance with the FMCSA, Commercial Enforcement Division.

All Mexico-domiciled "For-Hire and Private" motor carriers transporting commodities (property, household goods or passengers) in foreign commerce (cross border operations to and from points within and beyond the commercial zone) are required to obtain operating authority. Mexico-domiciled motor carriers authorized to operate beyond the commercial zones are required to maintain proof of insurance with the FMCSA, Licensing and Insurance Division.*

*There are exceptions for private motor carriers of passengers and for-hire motor carriers of passengers within the commercial zone.



IF THE MOTOR CARRIER IS REQUIRED TO HAVE OPERATING AUTHORITY, and during an inspection the carrier is discovered to have No Authority, their Authority is Inactive or Operating Beyond the Scope of their Authority, place the Vehicle Out-of-Service.