



# What You Need to Know to Prepare for the Unified Registration System

## Information for Motor Carriers, Brokers, and Freight Forwarders

The Unified Registration System (URS) is a single online registration. URS replaces multiple forms and systems that businesses currently use to register and update their information with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). New registrants started using URS on December 12, 2015.

Starting January 14, 2017 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, must use the Unified Registration System.



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## Important Changes and URS Implementation Deadlines

**Dec. 12, 2015** • First-time applicants started using URS.

**Jan. 14, 2017**

- All applicants must use URS for all registrations and changes.
- The USDOT number becomes the sole identifier; FMCSA will no longer issue or use MC, FF, and MX numbers.
- All new Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Carriers must provide evidence of financial responsibility (insurance), and all new applicants must designate a process agent (Form BOC-3).
- A new fee schedule takes effect.
- All businesses subject to the rule must obtain an FMCSA portal account before January 14 2017, by visiting: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs>

**Apr. 14, 2017** • All existing Private HM and Exempt For-Hire Motor Carriers must provide evidence of financial responsibility (insurance), and all existing Private and Exempt For-Hire Motor Carriers must designate a process agent (Form BOC-3).



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