

## REQUIREMENTS FOR TRUCK REGISTRATION/PERMIT WITH NPA

Interested truck owners shall:

1. Ensure that the truck(s) is/are in a good working condition that meets NPA's Minimum Safety Standard (See checklist in Appendix IX).
2. Contact the Safety Department of Nigerian ports Authority, Western ports, Apapa to invite truck for inspection: Fleet owners with ten trucks and above could be visited in their holding bays within Lagos state, while owners with less than ten trucks should take trucks to Brawal Yard, Kirikiri Terminal phase 1 (KLT) for safety inspection.
3. Trucks inspected and found to meet the Minimum Safety Standard shall be issued a Safety Certification paper. Trucks that do not meet the Minimum Safety Standard shall have to represent for inspection at a later date.
4. Safety Certification paper shall be taken to Safety office, Western Zone, Apapa for authentication.
5. Authenticated Safety Certification paper shall be taken to Commercial Department in the Zone where a Debit Note shall be raised and issued to the applicant.
6. Payment of the sum shall be made in favour of the Nigerian Ports Authority in any Bank of the trucker's choice.
7. On confirmation of payment NPA's Accounts Department, Lagos Ports Complex, Apapa shall issue NPA Payment Receipt for the payment.
8. NPA Payment Receipt shall be taken to the Safety Department and stickers for the current year shall be issued accordingly. Each sticker is issued specific to a truck and valid only for January to December of the year of issuance.

Associated Charge of ₦10, 000.00 (Ten thousand naira) per truck

## **CHECK LIST FOR MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARD**

### **1. THE TRUCK HEAD**

- i. The Truck head must be neat, generally presentable and all operational devices and control in good working condition.
- ii. The Truck windscreen must be double-glazed; no plastic or cracked windscreen.
- iii. The driver and passenger seat must be in good condition with appropriate safety devices e.g. safety belt.

### **2. VEHICLE PARTICULARS**

- i. The vehicle particulars must be valid e.g. vehicle license, roadworthiness, Insurance, etc.
- ii. The driver must possess appropriate and valid driver's license.

### **3. TRAILER MAIN BODY (CARRIAGE UNIT)**

- i. The carriage must be appropriate for the load i.e. flat bed for containerize goods while bucket rigid body for general goods.
- ii. The chassis of the trailer must be of adequate strength for the tonnage it is designed to carry.
- iii. The tonnage of the load should be equal or less than the axle load carrying capacity.
- iv. The carriage unit must be fitted with reflector, trafficators and warning signs.

### **4. TYRES**

- i. No worn out tyres.
- ii. Tyres must have a minimum thread of 5mm depth.
- iii. There should be no visible cut/sowing/rethreading of tyres.
- iv. Tyres should be gauged to the recommended pressures.
- v. All wheel studs and nuts must be in place.
- vi. All Trucks must carry a minimum of two spare tyres of good quality.

### **5. BRAKING SYSTEM**

Both foot and hand brakes must be active.

### **6. LIFTING JACK:**

Lifting Jack must be in good working condition.

### **7. WEDGES:**

A minimum of two (2) nos. wedges must be on the Truck.

8. ENGINE:

- i. Starting and stopping of an engine must be by the driver via the ignition key and stop button or switch respectively.
- ii. Engine radiator must be covered at all times without overheating sign.
- iii. Excessive engine exhaust smoke is not acceptable.
- iv. Engine generally must be washed periodically.

9. BATTERY:

- i. Battery compartment must be well secured.
- ii. It should be insulated and fixed.

10. BRAKE LIGHTS:

- i. All brake lights must be functional.
- ii. The brake unit must contain the brake light reflectors.
- iii. The trailer head and carriage unit must also have reflector units.

11. TRAFFICATORS:

- i. Every vehicle must be fitted with functional and visible trafficators (right & left) both at the trailer head and at the Container Carriage Units.

12. FIRE EXTINGUISHER:

- i. Fire extinguishers must be available and functional.

13. WARNING DEVICE:

- i. The horn must be functionally audible.
- ii. Horn must meet the road safety standard.
- iii. The trailer must be fitted with a functional amber-revolving light.
- iv. Two caution signs with warning signal/light must be carried on the truck.

14. FUEL TANK:

- i. Must be equipped with properly secured and functional fuel cover.

15. TWIST LOCKS:

- i. The twist locks for a 20- footer container carrier should be 4 standard Container twist locks while that of 40- footer container Carrier should be 8 standard twist locks.
- ii. All twist locks must be collapsible type.

- iii. In case of billets, pipes and other general cargo carriages, the carriage must be fixed with tension ropes and tensioner.

16. TRAILER LANDING LEGS:

- i. The landing legs of trailers must have functional winding device.
- ii. The legs must be able to sustain load.
- iii. The functional gear winner must be greased at all times.

In addition to the above minimum conditions, Management at a later date may consider the possibility of fixing age limit for all Trucks coming into the Port for operation.

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