**Section 1010.725 Trip Leasing**

A trip lease is the lease of a vehicle and its use by a lessee for one-trip. The leased vehicle must be properly registered. Properly registered shall mean a valid base plate from the "home state", plus any one of the following: prorate decal, reciprocity permit, valid trip permit; or an apportionment plate qualified in Illinois.

a) "Commercial" Vehicles: Trucks, buses, and any other "commercial" vehicle, whether for-hire or not-for-hire, may be trip leased for use by the lessee within Illinois subject to the following limitations:

1) Illinois Licensed Vehicles: May be used for interstate or intrastate operations generally.

2) Vehicles Licensed in Non-Reciprocating States: Subject to Illinois registration requirements whether operated by the owner or by the lessee, and may then be trip-leased for interstate movements only, with the same limitations as in paragraph (3) below.

3) Vehicles Licensed in Reciprocating States: May be used for interstate operations only:

A) Where the lessor is a "daily rental" operator and the lessee is a non-fleet operator; or

B) Where the lessee is for-hire, then only if the lessee is non-fleet operator; or

C) Where the lessee is under apportionment or proration, a 72 hour trip permit is required.

D) Where the lessor and the lessee are under apportionment or proration, if the lessor accumulates the miles.

E) Where the lessor is a rental operator under apportionment or proration if the lessor accumulates the miles.

b) In all cases, trip-leases shall not be used to avoid Illinois registration requirements, all vehicles under trip-lease must be properly identifiable as being operated by the lessee, and the evidences of registration issued to the owner must be in the cab of the lease vehicle.

c) In the case of a "for-hire" movement, the "certificates, permit or registration authorizing such operation" required by law for the lessee shall be carried in the cab of the leased vehicle.

d) All commercial vehicles registered in another State must also comply with the documentary requirements of Section 1730.130.

e) Trip-lease records and mileage records must be kept for audit purposes.

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