START A BUSINESS - KANSAS

How to start a mobile mechanic business in Kansas

Form the business and register for sales tax; we found no state license for mobile repair, and repair labor is taxable.

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1 Is mobile repair right for you?

Mobile mechanics fix cars at customers' homes and workplaces. It suits experienced technicians who want lower overhead than a shop.

2 Form the business and register for sales tax

1. Choose a structure. Register your business with the Kansas Secretary of State.
2. Register with the Department of Revenue for sales tax. Kansas taxes vehicle repair labor and washing and waxing.
3. Check your city or county for local licenses and zoning.

3 Licenses

We found no Kansas State license for mobile mechanics. Check your city or county for licenses and zoning.

4 Sales tax on repairs

Kansas taxes labor to service, repair, alter or maintain a vehicle done in Kansas, so collect sales tax on repair labor as well as parts.

5 A/C work

Servicing vehicle air conditioning for pay requires EPA Section 609 certification.

6 Your first steps

1. Form the business and register with the Department of Revenue.
2. Check local licenses and zoning.
3. Buy insurance and equipment.
4. List your business on Nearby Car Care

Requirements at a glance

Sales tax on repair labor and parts

Required - State - Kansas Department of Revenue

Kansas taxes labor to service, repair, alter or maintain a motor vehicle performed in Kansas, so collect state and local sales tax on parts and labor.

EPA Section 609 certification for air conditioning work

Required in some cases - Federal - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Required to repair or service motor vehicle air conditioning systems for payment or bartering. We found no Kansas State license for mobile mechanics.

Official agencies and links

Section 609 Technician Training and Certification Programs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
https://www.epa.gov/mvac/section-609-technician-training-and-certification-programs

Pub. KS-1526 Business Taxes for Motor Vehicle Transactions (Rev. 7-29-25)
Kansas Department of Revenue
https://www.ksrevenue.gov/pdf/pub1526.pdf

Frequently asked questions

Do mobile mechanics need a license in Kansas?
We found no state license.

This guide is general information, not legal advice. Rules change and can depend on your city or county, so confirm with the official agencies linked below before you apply.