START A BUSINESS - KENTUCKY

How to start a roadside assistance company in Kentucky

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

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1 Is roadside assistance right for you?

Roadside companies help stranded drivers with jump starts, tire changes, fuel delivery, lockouts and winch-outs. It suits people who like driving and stay calm next to traffic.

2 Form the business and register for sales tax

1. Choose a structure. LLCs and corporations file with the Kentucky Secretary of State.
2. Register with the Department of Revenue to collect Kentucky's 6% sales tax. Labor charged with taxable parts is taxable.
3. Check your city or county for local licenses and zoning.

3 Licenses

We found no Kentucky State license for roadside assistance. Check your city or county for licenses and zoning.

4 Sales tax on repairs

Since 2018, when a repair includes taxable parts, the labor is taxable too (6%). List parts separately; if you do not, the whole charge is presumed to be taxable property.

5 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 repairs with parts, labor included

Required - State - Kentucky Department of Revenue

Since July 1, 2018, when a vehicle repair includes taxable parts, the labor is taxable too, at Kentucky's 6% sales tax. List parts separately from labor; if you do not, the whole charge is presumed to be the price of taxable property.

We found no Kentucky State license for roadside assistance.

Official agencies and links

Labor Charges for Installation (TAXANSWERS)

Kentucky Department of Revenue

https://taxanswers.ky.gov/Sales-and-Excise-Taxes/Pages/Labor-Charges-for-Installation-FAQs.aspx

Frequently asked questions

Do I need a license for roadside assistance in Kentucky?
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.