LICENSES, PERMITS & CERTIFICATIONS - KANSAS

Kansas towing licenses, permits and insurance

What Kansas requires of these businesses: registration, tax, licenses and the official links to check.

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1 The rules at a glance

- Sales tax registration (repair labor and washing taxable)
- Towing not taxed when separately stated
- Local towing rules and police rotation lists
- USDOT marking for interstate trucks

We found no state towing license.

Requirements at a glance

Towing not taxed when separately stated

Required in some cases - State - Kansas Department of Revenue

Towing, winching, jump-starting and fuel delivery are not taxable when separately stated on the invoice. If a tow is bundled into a repair bill without being separated, it is taxed with the repair.

Local towing rules and police lists

Required in some cases - Municipal - Your city or county; local police

We found no Kansas State towing company license in the sources we checked. Ask your city, county and police agencies about towing ordinances and rotation lists.

Name and USDOT number on trucks in interstate commerce

Required in some cases - Federal - Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Commercial motor vehicles subject to the federal rules show the carrier's name and USDOT number on both sides, readable from 50 feet in daylight (49 CFR 390.21).

Official agencies and links

49 CFR 390.21, Marking of self-propelled CMVs and intermodal equipment

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (eCFR)

https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-390/subpart-B/section-390.21

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

Is towing taxable in Kansas?

Not when the towing fee is separately stated on the invoice.

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.