Housemover License

Who needs a Housemover License?

All carriers who move a house for-hire on the public highways of Missouri need a Housemover license.

Why do I need a License to move a house?

The registration process promotes motor carrier safety and, because it requires continuous filing of insurance, their economic health.

What is considered a house?

Missouri law defines a house as a dwelling or other structure intended for human habitat in excess of fourteen feet in width. A house does not include a manufactured home or a modular unit.

How do I get a Housemover License?

To obtain a Housemover License you must complete an HML-1 and HML-2 application. If you have an account with MCS, you can file an HML-1 and HML-2 Application electronically through Motor Carrier Express at www.modot.org/mce. You may also download the HML-1 and HML-2 Applications from the Missouri Operating Authority tab of the MCS homepage at www.modot.org/mcs.

How much does a Housemover License Cost?

The fee for a Housemover License is \$100 annually. The license is valid for one year from the date of issuance.

How do I renew my Housemover License?

You can renew your license through Motor Carrier Express at www.modot.org/mce. You can download the HML-1 and HML-2 form to renew your license from the Missouri Operating Authority tab of the MCS homepage: www.modot.org/mcs.

To ensure timely renewal, file at least 60 days prior to your expiration date.

How do I add vehicles or replace vehicles throughout the year on my Housemover License?

You can add vehicles, replace vehicles or request a temporary throughout the year by completing an HML-2 Application. You can download the HML-2 Application from the Missouri Operating Authority tab of the MCS homepage: www.modot.org/mcs.

Am I still required to obtain an Oversize/Overweight permit too?

Yes. The Housemover License does not take the place of additional state or federal requirements.

Do I need to update my Housemover License for every move?

No. The Housemover License is valid for one year from the date of issuance. The number of movements throughout the license year is unlimited.

Do I need Intrastate Operating Authority too?

If you are transporting a house outside of a commercial zone, you must obtain intrastate operating authority in addition to the Housemover License if you are moving for hire.

What are the insurance liability requirements to obtain a Housemover License?

A Housemover must have all of the following insurance on file before their license can be issued: a minimum liability limit of \$500,000 for bodily injury and property damage, minimum liability of \$100,000 cargo insurance, AND minimum liability limit of \$2,000,000 certificate of liability.

What insurance forms are accepted by Motor Carrier Services?

A Housemover License applicant must have a Form E or G (proof of bodily injury or property damage), Form H or J (proof of cargo) AND an Acord Certificate of Insurance. Your insurance company will make these filings for you.