WAC 480-15-590 Leasing vehicles. A carrier must enter into an equipment lease agreement before operating a leased motor vehicle. The carrier must ensure that all the following conditions are met:

(1) The carrier signs the form and ensures the lessor signs the form.

(2) A physical or digital copy of the lease is carried in all leased motor vehicles.

(3) A physical or digital copy of the lease is kept in the carrier's files during the effective period of the lease and for one year after the lease expires.

(4) The carrier gives a physical or digital copy of the lease to the owner of the leased motor vehicle.

(5) The carrier takes possession, control, and use of the motor vehicle during the period of the lease agreement.

(6) The leased motor vehicle is properly insured as specified in WAC 480-15-530 and 480-15-550.

(7) The carrier properly identifies the motor vehicle as specified in RCW 81.80.305.

(8) The carrier charges appropriate tariff rates and charges.

(9) The driver of the leased motor vehicle is on the carrier's payroll during the leased period.

(10) The leased motor vehicle is operated in compliance with laws and rules as specified in WAC 480-15-560 and 480-15-570.

(11) The driver of the leased motor vehicle is subject to the carrier's alcohol and controlled substance policies.

(12) The carrier and the owner of the leased motor vehicle specify on the lease form who is responsible for all expenses relating to the leased motor vehicles.

(13) The carrier complies with the terms of the lease.

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