

Making Life Easier

Rental Truck Rules For Movers

(NAPSA)—Moving anything can be a big job, especially if it involves renting a truck.

While the idea of driving a rental truck may seem daunting, a few tips can help make your move easier and safer.

Here are some practical tips from the experts at Penske Truck Rental:

- **Get oriented.** Familiarize yourself with the truck's switches and gauges, and be sure to note if the gas tank is on the driver or passenger side.

Properly adjust the side mirrors for maximum visibility. Give yourself enough time—you may even want to pick up your truck a day early.

And rest assured, your rental

representative will help you feel comfortable with your truck before you start your trip.

- **Awareness is key.** Be aware of bridges, tree limbs and low overhangs such as canopies at service stations, fast-food eateries and drive-up ATMs.

Keep in mind that since the recommended maximum speed for a loaded truck is 45 miles per hour, you should be extra cautious when passing other vehicles.

“Trucks are taller, wider and may weigh up to 10 times more than the average car. It's important to be aware that greater overhead and side clearances and stopping distances are needed when traveling, especially when the truck is loaded,” states expert Art Vallely, Senior Vice President-Rental, Penske Truck Leasing.

- **Extra protection.** Most insurance and credit card companies won't cover truck rentals under existing policies. If your insurance company is among them, consider signing up for additional coverage options to protect yourself and your belongings.

Options such as a limited-damage waiver relieve the renter of any loss or damage to the truck or towing equipment, regardless of fault.

Also worth considering are cargo, supplemental liability, personal accident and towing insurance. Some rental companies offer 24/7 emergency roadside assistance, at no charge, with all their rental trucks.

Look for more moving tips online at www.GoPenske.com.



When you rent a moving truck, be sure to familiarize yourself with all the switches and gauges, speed requirements, stopping distance and insurance rates before you start your trip.