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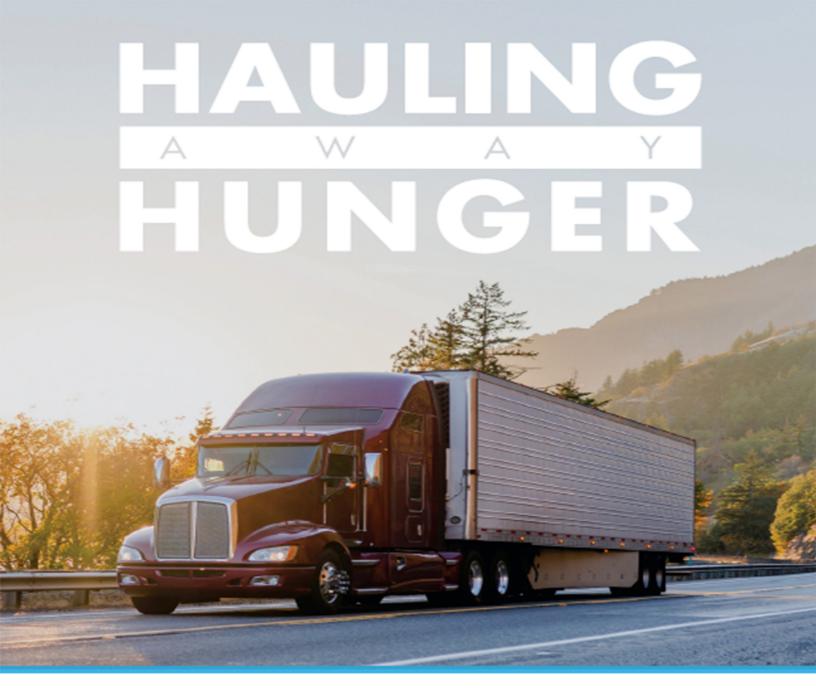
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Spring is in the air and it's that time of year. The time when families are planning and gathering for outside activities. The same idea is in the air for the Utah Trucking Association. Convention season is right around the corner and we are diligently preparing for this years' experience in St George, Utah. As one of the planning committee members, I can assure you that this year's event planning is in full swing to ensure a great experience for everyone involved. It brings to mind a very well-oiled machine on auto pilot because the planning is so solid. Our theme for the convention this year is "Future Ready" and highlights what future changes are coming to our industry.

What does "future ready" mean? When is the right time to move your company to an alternative equipment platform? What are the expectations of your customers to convert to the new platform? How well does the equipment fit into your business plan and what grants and financing are available to purchase the new vehicles? These are all questions that we need to study. As an equipment buyer, I believe that we could all use some help in making the best decisions for our business.

In closing I would like to thank all the people that are donating gifts for the silent auction, bingo and ammunition for the shotgun shoot. There are so many people working hard to make this a success. If you happen to get a chance to talk to the UTA staff at our convention, please take the time to thank them for their hard work. I can't say enough about Rick, Jon, Terry, and their families that all volunteer to make the magic happen. Hope to see you all soon and keep on Trucking!!

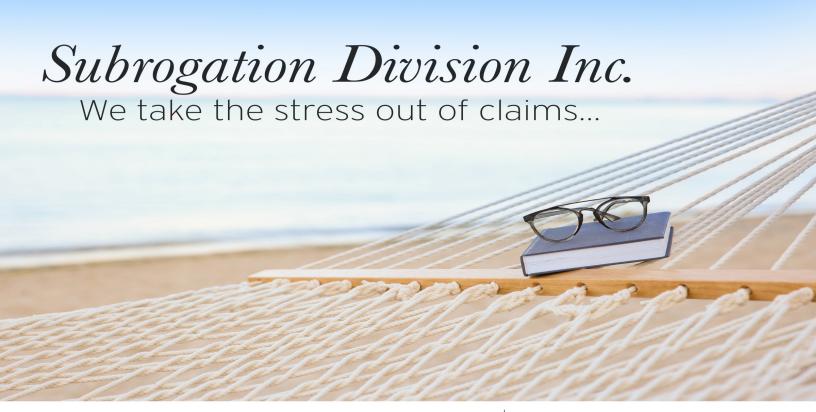
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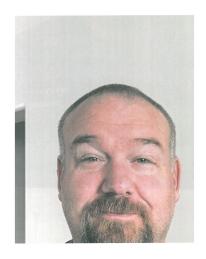


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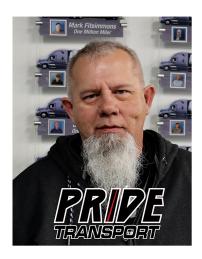
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- Braydon Charlton

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Thank you again for investing in my future!

- Brooklyn Averett





I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity in funding the scholarship. I am so honored to be one of the recipients of this scholarship. Receiving this scholarship means so much to me and has given me the motivation to keep working on maintaining my GPA, and learning as much as possible in the classes I am enrolled in so I can give back when I graduate. I thank you for your assistance in achieving my educational goals.

- Gracie Baker





I am extremely grateful for your support and belief in my academic potential.

I promise to make the most of this opportunity and work hard to achieve my goals. I hope to one day be able to give back to others in a similar way.

Thank you again for your generosity.

- Jacob Nelson

I have always made my education a top priority, and with your generous assistance I will be able to lift a financial burden in order to focus on my studies. Your earnest investment in my future goals will not be forgotten. Thank you again for your generous and thoughtful gift.

- Leighton Ipson





Thank you for the scholarship.

- Lexie Clements





I am very grateful for the opportunities this scholarship has provided me.

- Mary Hanks

I am beyond thankful and honored to be a recipient of the trucking association scholarship. This scholarship not only assists me financially but will help me achieve my future career goals. I've worked very hard and I'm happy to see my dedication pay off. Thank you!

- Riley Baldwin





I wanted to express my gratitude for the scholarship that was generously sponsored by your organization. Providing me with the opportunity to further my education debt free has been a great blessing. Your association is very inspiring to me, as it is a non-profit organization that gives back to the community in such a beneficial way. Before applying for this scholarship, I was not aware of the certain training the truck drivers obtain. I am so grateful that these truck drivers can look out for young individuals and help our society become a safer place. As I continue to work hard in school and eventually become a therapist, I will always be reminded of the support I received from the Utah Trucking Association. Thank you!

- Taylor Flynn





Thank you so much to the Utah Trucking Association for making my dreams come true. This scholarship money is going to help me go to school and pursue a higher education. I don't know if I would've been able to go right out of high school but thanks to your generosity I can. I plan on studying business and trying to start my own company. I'll be attending Utah State thanks to you guys and be able to start classes right away. This will change my life for the better.

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- Tyson Valentine

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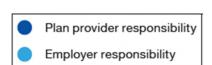
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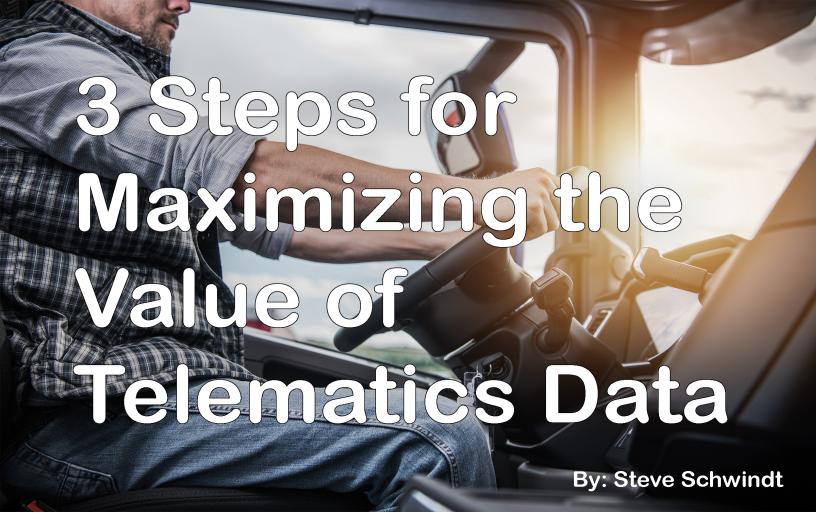
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Transportation companies have invested heavily in telematics solutions throughout the last decade, and with good reason. These devices help in numerous ways – from route planning and fuel usage to fleet maintenance and safety. In some instances, devices like ELDs have even become a federal requirement.

But they're known to bring with them an overwhelming amount of complex data that's difficult to compare and make sense of. From black box telematics to driver and forward-facing cameras, these devices offer data in different formats and with differing interpretations.

This poses challenges for risk and safety managers as they struggle to normalize data across multiple vendors. Much of this process is manual and takes a lot of work.

If this data was easily accessible, it could revolutionize the way companies manage risk. The answers are in the data, but the sheer volume of the data makes the answers hard to find.

How can companies maximize its value to better mitigate risk throughout their fleet?

Step 1: Centralize All Data Sources

Siloed data sources create an incomplete picture of a company's risk profile. To make informed

decisions and intervene with risky drivers effectively, companies need a comprehensive view.

While having continuous visibility into MVR and CSA violations is a critical step in determining ongoing driver eligibility, we must consider that there is likely unsafe driving behavior that goes undetected by law enforcement.

And while telematics data can offer access

to daily driver behavior, it's also not always as accurate or concrete as what's reported on an MVR. Because of this, it's essential to centralize all available data sources to gain full, accurate visibility.

Step 2: Ensure Data is Consistent and Comparable

Normalizing telematics data alone creates a variety of challenges, especially if you have mixed fleet across different vendors. These challenges are compounded when you incorporate other data sources like MVR and CSA violations.

Practically speaking, MVR violations and DOT inspections are often heavily influenced by exposure factors such as where your drivers are operating and how many miles they're traveling. Not only is it important to normalize different data sources from a severity perspective, but it's likewise important to normalize the data across your driver population by common metrics, such as number of events by x-number miles traveled.

By turning this disparate data into simplified, comparable insights, companies can grasp a better understanding of where their risk lies. They can identify trends, gain deeper visibility into who poses the most risk and what specifically that risk is.

Step 3: Establish Effective Interventions

Having a strategy in place to intervene with drivers early based on telematics events is essential in preventing incidents. While MVR, CSA and claims represent outcomes, telematics represents daily habits. If companies address habits with targeted training before a violation or serious event occurs, they'll be more successful in reducing risk and preventing crashes.

This also promotes the increase of driver retention rates, as carriers can prioritize early interventions and remediate behavior before it results in disqualification.

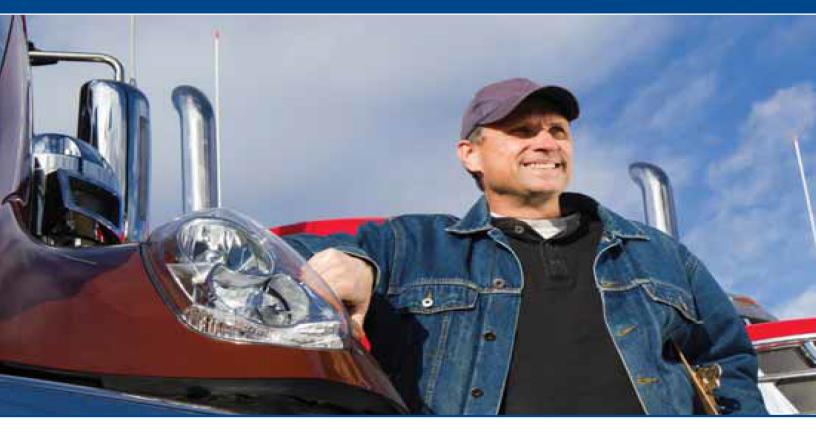
Summary

These strategies would be challenging to accomplish with the use of disparate programs or manual processes. By leveraging advanced technologies that combine these steps within a single, comprehensive solution, companies can maximize the value of data sources that so many in the industry struggle to tap into. This competitive access will become even more critical as the reliance on real-time data to combat risk and improve retention rates grows exponentially in upcoming years.

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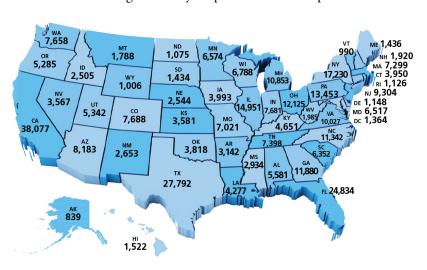


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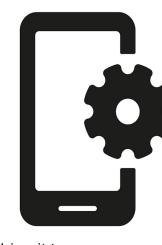
SIMPLE STEPS FOR PRESERVING AND MANAGING GELL PHONE DATA

Mobile devices have become an integral part of our everyday lives. We use our cell phones to not only communicate but also to store and transmit data and other information around the world. Trucking companies are even using cell phone applications as part of their company practices. New innovations are constantly evolving and continue to change the way we use our cell phones and store data. As such, cell phones and the information they contain have become an integral part of motor vehicle accident investigations and litigation. It is becoming all too common that, if you are involved in an accident, the other party will issue a preservation letter requesting a driver involved in the accident to preserve the contents of his or her cell phone and may even request an inspection of your cell phone.

There is a wide variety of data contained on your cell phone including text messages, multimedia messages, contacts, call logs, media files, local application data, files, hidden files, deleted files, and raw data stored on the memory of your phone. Failing to preserve the information stored could lead to serious repercussions during litigation. However, there are simple steps that can be taken in order to prevent the destruction of this information in compliance with a preservation request or in anticipation of an inspection.

First, ensure that your cell phone is not set to automatically delete text messages and other data. Most devices come with this setting that, if switched on, will periodically delete this information.





Turning this setting off or switching it to preserve the information for an indefinite period of time is a useful step in preventing deletion of any potential evidence. Second, back up any information contained on your phone to the online cloud. Backing up your cell phone will create a digital copy of the data in the event that the cell phone is damaged, destroyed, or lost. In some instances, pulling the cell phone information from the online cloud can be simpler and more streamlined than pulling it from your individual device. Last, it is important to periodically check your phone to ensure that the information is still there. With all these other fail-safes in place, checking your phone may seem like a simple task but is often overlooked especially as litigation progresses and focus changes. By checking your phone regularly, you can physically monitor that the data and information is being stored and not deleted. Further, by taking this extra step you can verify that the other above practices are working properly and have not been disrupted by a device update or for some other reason.

Most importantly, if you are involved in an accident or are faced with a preservation letter or inspection request, you should contact an attorney to assist you through this process and in order to prevent the spoliation of evidence.



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We at the Utah Trucking Association are always excited to host new events. This year, in partnership with North American Trailer we were able to have our 1st annual Spring Warmup Sporting Clay Tournament on April 14th, 2023, at the Provo Gun Club. Despite Utah's weather being bipolar, we had a great turnout of shooters from all over the state. Due to the mud up Provo canyon, shooting teams were not able to participate on the sporting clay courses, instead each team tested their skills on trap, skeet pad, and 5 point. Listed below are the members of the winning teams. After the teams competed, we had an individual Annie Okley Shootout, the top shooters of that event are listed below. Special thanks to North American Trailer for providing lunch and prizes to all the winners, also want to thank North American Trailer for coming up with the idea and helping plan this event. We also want to thank other sponsors listed. We look forward to making this an annual event.

1st Place Team:

- Shane Francis
- Trace Francis
- Kaden Francis
- Justin Francis

2nd Place Team:

- Clint Wells
- Byron Anderson
- Jayme Anderson
- Ryland McDaniel

Annie Okley Shootout Winners:

- 1st Jayme Anderson
- 2nd James Taylor
- 3rd Travis Park











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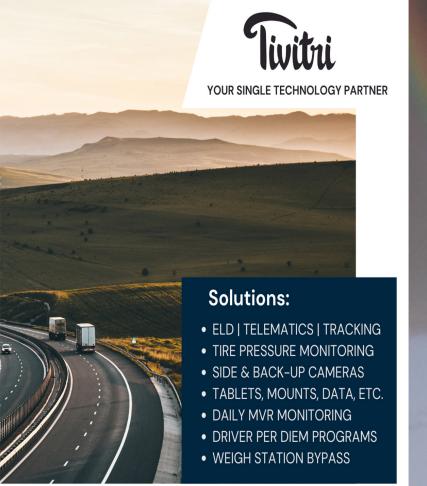


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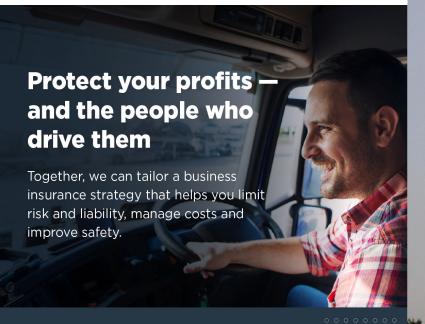
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EXPUNGEMENT MIGHT BE EASIER THAN YOU THINK

Having a criminal record is a common problem that affects a lot of Utahns.

One in three Americans has a criminal record. These records can make things difficult for employers and employees alike. Even old and minor criminal records can make it difficult to get a job or rent an apartment, not to mention the social stigma that comes with being labeled a "criminal."

Criminal records are digital and permanent. Although most states (including Utah), have a legal process that allows you to expunge your record, that process is so costly and complicated that few people have been able to navigate it. Most people with records find that they need an attorney to help them, and most people cannot afford the thousands of dollars it will cost to hire one. As a result, many people simply continue to live with a record, and are forever shut out of opportunities.

Utah Expungement Law

Under Utah law, many types of misdemeanor and felony level records are eligible for expungement, including DUIs. Whether a person is eligible to clear their record depends on how many total records they have, what they are, and how long it has been since their involvement in the justice system. Because the law can be hard to understand, Rasa has created an online tool to help people determine their eligibility. It is powered by court and corrections records, and takes less than 3 minutes to use.

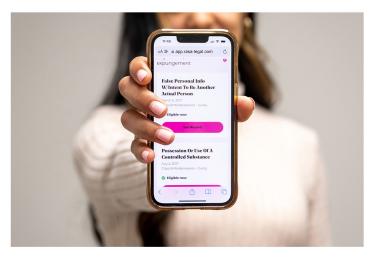
People who are eligible to clear their records must fill out an application and go through a court process. Under Utah law, a judge will only grant an expungement if he or she determines that it is in the public interest and that it will not threaten public safety.

Benefits of Expunging a Criminal Record

When a record is expunged, it is sealed from public view. A person has the right not to check the box when they are asked about their criminal record on a job or housing application and when someone pulls a background check, expunged records will not appear. This allows people with old and minor records to get jobs, and allows employers to access needed talent without fear of liability or risk to public safety.

In addition to making it possible to get people into needed jobs, clearing a criminal record can make an almost immediate difference in someone's economic mobility. People without records (or with expunged records) are 63% more likely to get a job interview, and average wages go up by over 20% just one year after record clearance. Clearing a record can also help someone advance within their own company, qualify for a promotion or manager-level role, or access a job or delivery site that requires criminal record clearance.

Rasa is partnering with the Utah Trucking Association to offer FREE use of their eligibility tool



Rasa Legal is a new public benefit corporation on a mission to make it easy and affordable to clear a criminal record.

Rasa is a public benefit corporation that specializes in affordable record expungement. It was founded by Noella Sudbury, a Utah lawyer and former public defender who saw immense need for this service with limited options available. Noella now works with additional lawyers, software engineers, and community advocates dedicated to helping people with records.

For a limited time, Rasa is letting UTA members and their employees use Rasa's tool to check their record for FREE. It takes only about 3 minutes to use the tool and find out what the options are.

Rasa provides affordable legal representation.

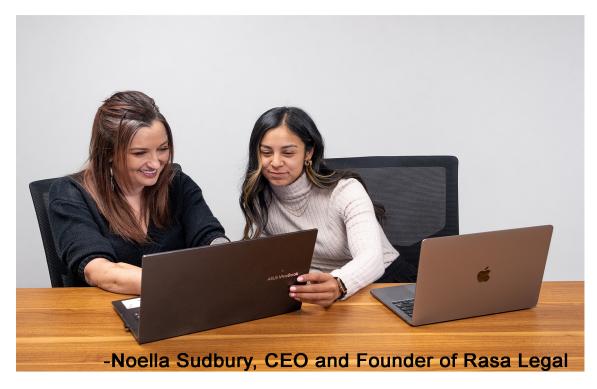
If someone has records that qualify for expungement, Rasa offers an affordable legal solution. Instead of the \$1,500 to \$3,000 minimum most private attorneys will charge, Rasa can handle up to three cases for just \$500 (does not include government fees).

In addition, Rasa is partnering with employers and associations to help cover the cost of record clearance. In this tight labor market, helping to clear criminal records can be a great recruiting and retention tool that can help employers access needed talent and retain and promote good workers.

Under these programs, employers or associations create a total budget for the program, decide who qualifies for the program, and help cover the cost of the legal work to help someone move forward.



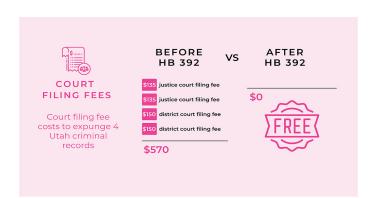
"Having a criminal record is a common and massive problem that keeps people out of needed jobs and hurts our workforce. We want to help the trucking community access the opportunities that come with a clean record."



Why Now is the Time to Get Started

There is a pilot program that provides government fee waivers for those who want to apply for expungement. However, this program is coming to an end on June 30, 2023.

Starting the process of expungement before that date could save people hundreds of dollars in government fees.



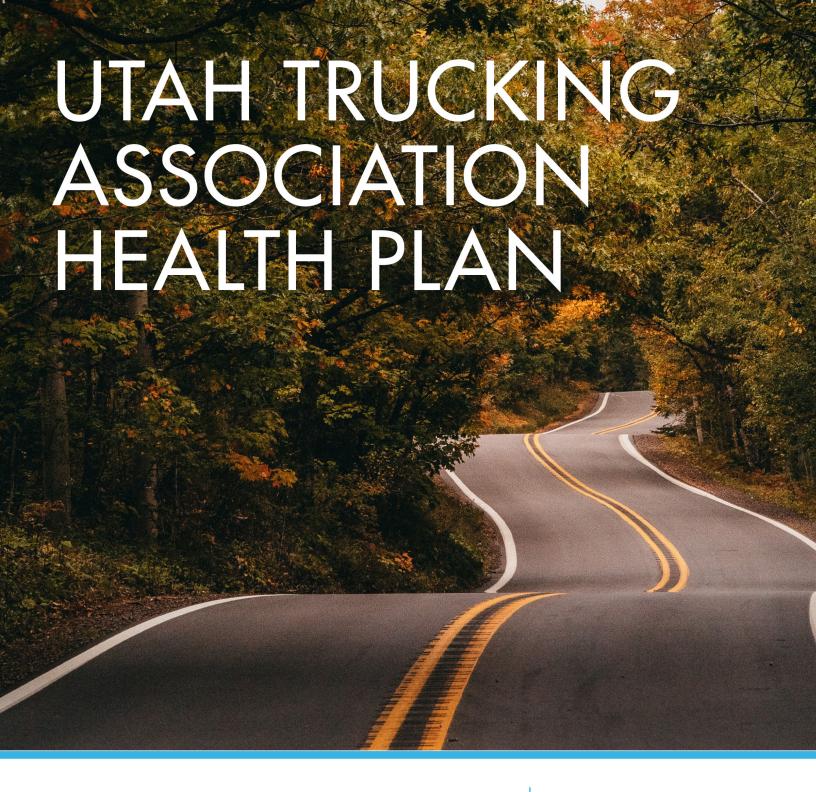
Now is the time for people to get their expungement started. Rasa makes it easy to do and it might not cost as much as you think.

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You need to get paid quickly for your trucking company to keep its trucks on the road and moving. There are a few ways to help eliminate the possible 30-60+days it can take some brokers and shippers to pay. From quick pay to factoring, let's talk about how each can help your trucking business.

What is Trucking Quick Pay?

With quick pay for trucking, you haul a load, and the broker agrees to pay you more quickly than standard invoice payment terms ask for. With quick pay, you often get the funds within a few days to a week instead of the typical 30-60+ days. Brokers will charge a fee in exchange for quicker payment.

What is Factoring?

With factoring, you deliver the load, submit a copy of the invoice to your factoring company, and you get access to the funds usually within hours. A small percentage fee is deducted from each invoice when you use factoring.

Quick Pay vs. Factoring

Both quick pay and factoring will give you access to funds quickly. However, there are some differences between the two that are important to be aware of when deciding which one is best for your business.

Rates

Quick pay rates are all over the place. One may be lower, and another may be similar to a factoring rate, whereas another would be 5% or more.

Factoring rates are typically 2% - 3%.

What loads can it be used for? The broker has to offer it as a payment option to use quick pay. Not all do, so if you rely on quick pay, you could limit the brokers you can accept loads from.

You can factor loads for all brokers and shippers approved by the factoring company. In order to be approved, the factor will run a credit check on the broker and shipper to help ensure they will pay you for the loads you haul. Additionally, factoring is flexible you choose which loads to factor and which loads you don't. For instance, if you are working with a factoring company and a broker that offers a lower quick pay rate for their loads you can use quick pay for those loads and factor others.

Submitting the paperwork

With quick pay, you must send the documentation to each broker separately.

With factoring, everything goes to one place every time.

Following up if payment is not received from the broker or shipper

You have to do the follow-up when using quick pay. If the payment doesn't go through, the broker typically won't tell you if there are paperwork issues until you call to find out why you didn't get the payment.

When you use factoring, the factoring company will handle all follow-up calls and help you ensure the paperwork you submit is accurate in advance of a late payment.

Additional benefits

Quick pay does not offer any additional benefits outside of paying you more quickly.

Factoring provides several benefits in addition to paying you quickly. The benefits include free credit checks, fuel cards, invoicing, processing, postage, collecting, and more. Additionaly, factoring companies have extensive knowledge and experience working with many brokers and shippers. For this reason, they know who is good to work with and who you might want to avoid.

After reading this list of quick pay vs. factoring, you might wonder which option puts more money into my pockets? From our experience, we would have to say it is usually factoring. Between the competitive rates, additional benefits, the amount of time it can save you, and freedom to take different loads from different brokers and shippers. However, there are a few of the bigger brokers out there that do have very low and competitive quick pay fees.



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