

Membership FAQs

When was ICSA established and for what purpose?

ICSA was incorporated in November 2019 as a non-profit membership association whose primary goal is to improve highway safety through engaging single-truck operators and small fleets in this mission.

What does it cost to become a member?

ICSA's dues are based on the number of trucks a carrier operates. For carriers operating a single truck, the annual dues are \$100. Carriers operating more than one truck pay \$100 for the first truck and \$25 for each additional truck, up to a cap of \$500 annually. No member, regardless of fleet size, pays more than \$500 for an annual membership.

ICSA offers two levels of membership: Platinum and Gold. What's the difference?

- Platinum membership requires members take certain actions that are proven to improve highway safety. Platinum members agree to (1) purchase, install and activate in-cab forward facing event recorders (cameras) within 30 days of camera delivery and authorize ICSA's safety consultants to review event videos, (2) enroll in ICSA's drug testing consortium, hair test current and future drivers and obtain a negative result on an initial hair follicle test for each driver employed by the member, and (3) adopt a Zero Tolerance policy for alcohol and drugs. (ICSA provides members with a model Zero Tolerance policy that can be easily adapted to each fleet.)

Platinum status is required for carriers who wish to take part in certain membership benefits, including discounted insurance coverage through ICSA's Risk Purchase Group.. Only Platinum members qualify to apply for the discounted insurance through ICSA.

- Gold members may join under the same dues schedule but are not required to adopt the event recorder and drug consortium requirements. However, a Gold member may wish to voluntarily purchase and utilize event recorders at ICSA's low cost. (See Event Recorder FAQs for why such technology is important in today's operating environment.) Gold members may also participate in the ICSA-approved drug testing consortium which provides a simple and cost-effective way to be compliant with Federal Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse Rules. Please see the drug & alcohol FAQs for more information.

What if a carrier is interested in purchasing an event recorder at ICSA's cost, but not in joining the drug testing consortium?

Such carriers may still join ICSA as a Gold member and qualify for ICSA's discounted cost on Event recorders. Similarly, Gold members can join ICSA and enroll in its endorsed drug testing consortium, whether or not they wish to have their drivers take an initial hair test.

Why did ICSA choose event recorders and hair testing as requirements for carriers to qualify for its highest level of membership and for reduced insurance rates?

ICSA's leadership and safety team has many decades of experience in the trucking industry and particularly in working to improve truck safety. Many years of data show that forward-facing event recorders are a proven safety technology that makes good drivers even better and, importantly, also provide evidence to document when a crash is not the trucker's fault. Similarly, hair testing is a

fool-proof way to identify substance abusers among truck drivers. Obviously, it is in everyone's interest to help ensure that even casual drug users are not operating a commercial vehicle. Members who are willing to deploy these tried-and-true best practices are taking steps to reduce risk on the highway, making them more attractive to insurers who, by reducing their own risk, can thus offer lower rates on mandated truck insurance. For answers to other questions on ICSA Membership, email contact@safecarriers.org.