

# MOVING IDEAS

## Being Safe When Renting A Moving Truck

(NAPSA)—One way to make the do-it-yourself move less daunting is to follow a few tips from the experts.

Since the average mover is unaccustomed to regularly driving a truck, Penske Truck Rental offers a few ease-of-mind tips:

**Get Oriented.** Familiarize yourself with the truck's switches and gauges. Properly adjust the side mirrors for maximum visibility. Give yourself enough time.

**Awareness Is Key.** "Trucks are taller, wider and may weigh up to 10 times more than the average car. We want our customers to be safe," stated Art Valley, Senior Vice President—Rental, Penske Truck Leasing.

**Blind Spots.** Trucks have oversized blind spots known as the "No Zone," according to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. Be aware of these spots, especially when changing lanes or coming to a stop. For more information, visit [www.sharetheroadsafely.org](http://www.sharetheroadsafely.org).

**Being Aware of What You Transport.** Typically, truck rental agreements contain language from the U.S. Department of Transportation prohibiting the "carrying or hauling of explosives and other dangerous articles." That means you should avoid packing flammable items such as paint, chemicals and cleaning



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materials, flammable solvents, propane, gasoline, etc. Your rental agent can clarify the list further.

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

You can feel confident knowing that Penske offers free 24/7 emergency roadside assistance.

Look for more moving tips at [www.PenskeTruckRental.com](http://www.PenskeTruckRental.com).