



**North American
Transport Services**

INCREASING FUEL MILEAGE



In order to calculate your fuel mileage a simple math exercise of dividing the miles traveled by the amount of fuel used will give you the answer. The most accurate method is to use actual miles driven and gallons used between fill ups. It's imperative for North American Transport services drivers to enter the correct odometer at the pump in order to determine fuel mileage and keep accurate maintenance records of our fleet. With increasing fuel prices these days, it's important for drivers to optimize our fuel consumption by following these tips:



-Keep the RPMs as low as possible when shifting up and always use progressive shifting. The faster the driver tries to get the vehicle to highway speed, the more fuel it will use.

-Keep your speed between 55 and 62 mph. Speed is one of the largest contributors in fuel economy. The faster you go the less mpg you get which means less money in your pocket.

-Minimize idle time. The easiest idle reduction is to not leave the truck on while no one is in the cab. There is still a misconception among drivers that it is better to leave a diesel engine running, rather than turning on and off. Modern diesels do not have any problem with being started, run for a short period, and then turned off. The fact is this is better for a modern diesel engine when compared to idling.

-Keep your tires with the correct air pressure. Tire pressure is also a contributing factor in fuel mileage. Keep your tires at 110 psi during the winter since they tend to underinflate with the cold. The tire alignment must also be appropriate.