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The Maintenance Rhythm

The whole maintenance year on one page. Keep it on the cab door.

EVERY DAY, BEFORE YOU ROLL

- [ ] Walk the truck: tires, lights, leaks underneath
- [ ] Air pressure builds and holds; brakes feel right
- [ ] Mirrors, glass, and wipers clear
- [ ] Load secured; doors or straps checked
- [ ] Fuel, DEF, and coolant where they should be

EVERY WEEK

- [ ] Tire pressure and tread on every position
- [ ] Belts and hoses: cracks, frays, soft spots
- [ ] Battery terminals clean and tight
- [ ] Fifth wheel jaws and plate: greased, locking
- [ ] Air dryer cycles; tanks drained
- [ ] Washer fluid topped; spare checked

EVERY MONTH

- [ ] Brake pads, drums, and slack adjusters
- [ ] Steering play and suspension: bags, shocks, leaks
- [ ] Wheel seals dry; no hub oil on rims
- [ ] Coolant strength; radiator clear of debris
- [ ] Emergency kit restocked; extinguisher charged
- [ ] Lights and wiring: chafing, corrosion, grounds

TWICE A YEAR

- [ ] Full brake service and air system check
- [ ] Alignment and tire rotation plan
- [ ] Aftertreatment: DPF health, sensors, DEF quality
- [ ] Spring: AC service before the heat
- [ ] Fall: winter prep before the cold (see Winter-Ready sheet)
- [ ] Valve adjustment and major items per your manual

SERVICE INTERVALS, GENERAL GUIDANCE

Oil:	**45,000 mi normal duty, 35,000 severe.**
DPF clean:	**400,000 / 250,000.**
Belts:	**300,000 / 150,000.**
Differential:	**250,000 / 150,000.**
Coolant flush:	**750,000.**

Your owner's manual governs; these are planning numbers, not promises.

THE REPAIR RESERVE

Set aside 5 cents a mile on a new truck, rising to 15 cents a mile at 5+ years or 750,000 miles. At 100,000 miles a year that is $5,000 growing to $15,000 a year, so a breakdown is a bill, not a crisis.