

Worksheet 7: Vehicle Readiness Checklist

Georgia summers are brutal — AC is non-negotiable May through September. Atlanta traffic on I-285 and the Connector requires Waze at all times. Film production runs may require specialized vehicle setup.

DAILY PRE-SHIFT CHECK

- ☐ Fuel level — minimum half tank (Atlanta to Savannah is 250 miles)
- ☐ AC functioning — non-negotiable May through September in Georgia
- ☐ Waze loaded and updated — check I-285 (Perimeter), I-75/85 (Connector), I-20, GA-400
- ☐ Georgia 511 (511ga.org) checked for major incidents
- ☐ Phone fully charged + car charger connected
- ☐ Proof of insurance accessible (glove box)
- ☐ COI (Certificate of Insurance) PDF saved on phone
- ☐ Water and electrolytes for summer outdoor stops

WEEKLY CHECK

- ☐ AC system functioning — refrigerant, compressor, cabin filter (critical in GA summer)
- ☐ Coolant / radiator fluid level (heat stresses cooling systems)
- ☐ Tire pressure (heat expands tires — check cold pressure in summer)
- ☐ Waze and Georgia 511 apps updated
- ☐ Vehicle interior clean and professional
- ☐ COI / insurance documents current

SUMMER HEAT PROTOCOL (May – September)

- ☐ Personal hydration — minimum 1 gallon water per operating day in Georgia summer
- ☐ Temperature-sensitive cargo: pharmaceuticals / biologicals / specimens need active cooling
- ☐ Insulated cooler bags for medical specimen transport in summer heat
- ☐ Schedule outdoor stops for early morning or late afternoon when possible
- ☐ Know signs of heat exhaustion — dizziness, nausea, heavy sweating, confusion
- ☐ AC serviced before May every year — proactive, not reactive

ATLANTA TRAFFIC PROTOCOL

- ☐ Avoid I-75/85 Connector 7:00-9:30 AM and 4:00-7:00 PM weekdays
- ☐ Know I-285 Perimeter exits cold — learn all interchange exits before first delivery
- ☐ Use GA-400 for Buckhead / North Atlanta / Alpharetta runs
- ☐ Use I-20 East for Hartsfield Airport / College Park corridor
- ☐ Waze is non-negotiable — Atlanta traffic is unpredictable at all hours

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