Appendix B—Trailer Inspection Checklists

Pretrip Trailer Inspection Checklist
____ Wheel bearing play within acceptable limits
____ Tires and wheels in good condition
____ Lug nuts tight
____ Lights operational
____ Trailer brake operation satisfactory
____ Fenders and mud flaps (if equipped) secure and undamaged
____ Springs and shackles in good condition
____ Trailer floor undamaged
____ Safety chains in good condition
____ Warning equipment (such as reflective triangles) in the vehicle or trailer

Annual Trailer Inspection Checklist

Chassis—
____ Frame
____ Axle beam
____ Springs
____ U bolts
____ Shackles
____ Wheel bearings repacked
____ Hub bolts
____ Wheels
____ Tires
____ Trailer hitch
____ Safety chain

Lights—
____ Clearance
____ Stop and tail lights
____ Turn signals

Electric Brakes—
____ Lining
____ Shoe adjustment
____ Backing plate bolts
____ Drum condition
____ Electromagnet
____ Armature disc
____ Wiring
____ Terminals
____ Connection plug

Brake Controls—
____ Electric controller unit
____ Proper voltage
____ Connector plug
____ Wiring
____ Manual brake controls
____ Hydraulic brake controls