Common Types of Trucks

**Bucket/Boom Truck**
Used by utility companies nationwide, these trucks are very plentiful, so a really low price is crucial.

**Cab & Chassis Truck**
Is sold incomplete, has two chassis beams and buyer can configure to their own needs, often a cargo box or flatbed is mounted to these units.

**Cabover Truck**
Cab is mounted over the engine, advantages are better visibility, and shorter wheelbase, some have sleepers as well.

**Chipper Truck**
“not a box truck” open rear area w/barn door and hydraulic dump bed, often pulls a wood chipper behind the truck for easy loading.
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Conventional w/Sleeper
Most common heavy duty truck in the U.S., used to pull almost any type trailer...especially dry van trailers

Conv/no Sleeper(Daycab)
Conventional truck that has no sleeper, commonly used by local beverage distributors, grocery stores, and construction companies

Crane Truck
Crane mounted truck, may have a telescopic boom or articulated boom. They come in many variations and capacities

Dump Truck
A “top selling truck”...some have 2,3,4 or even 5 rear axles, always measure bed length, width & height
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Flatbed Truck
Most common in “medium duty” class, some are hydraulically equipped with a bed that will raise, also make have stake side inserts

Garbage - Roll Off Truck
Used to deliver and pickup onsite dumpsters, some have 2 or 3 rear axles....very good selling truck category, always document the lift hoist info, its brand, model & capacity

Grapple Truck
Has a top “front or rear” mounted crane, used to pick up tree stumps, appliances, etc, etc when cleaning up disaster debris

Concrete Mixer (rear)
Rear discharge concrete mixer truck
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Concrete Mixer (front)
Front discharge concrete mixer truck

Service Truck
Often equipped with an onboard crane, air compressor, welder, lube pump, tool boxes, etc, etc...for onsite repairs and service of trucks and equipment

Tank Truck
Used to transport water, fuel, oil, chemicals, etc, etc....always get the gallon capacity and has current certification

Tow Truck - Rollback
"not a Flatbed" Truck - this truck has a hydraulic bed and winch, rear tapered bed is used as a ramp, it rolls back and winch pulls vehicle up onto the bed
Helpful Truck Terms & Info to Know

**PTO (power take off)**

Device that transfers a truck's engine power to additional equipment which doesn't have a power source. Uses are: raising a dump bed, operating a crane arm, a compactor in a garbage truck, running a water pump on a fire truck, etc, etc...see pics for switch examples.

**Wet Kit (wetline kit)**

Device that uses the PTO to operate a hydraulic pump and hoses to operate, dump trailers, detachable lowboys, bulk trailers, live floor trailers, etc, etc, etc.

These hoses are not small or curly like the colored air hoses...they are large black hoses with steel connectors, and often accompanied with a rectangular tank mounted behind the cab....however some tanks are side mounted or under mounted and not easily visible.
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Headache Rack
Mounted to the truck frame just behind the cab, it’s job is to protect the driver in an accident, especially if a load shifts forward...it can prevent materials from entering the cab, some have built in tool boxes....see example pics

Measure the Wheelbase
Many buyers will want to know the wheelbase of a truck. This is easy to measure.....any truck with multiple rear axles, measure from the “center of the front wheel” to the “center point between the furtherest rear two axles”....see the examples below