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SAFETY BULLETIN



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CVSA to Hold Operation Safe Driver Week in July



In mid-July, enforcement personnel will focus on the unsafe driving behaviors of both commercial and passenger-vehicle drivers as a part of Operation Safe Driver Week.

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) will use the enforcement campaign, slated for July 15-21, 2018, to help reduce the number of crashes, deaths, and injuries involving commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) as the result of unsafe driving practices. It targets risky driving behavior by anyone on the nation's roadways - in or around CMVs - through education and traffic enforcement.

Examples of unsafe driving behaviors tracked during the week include:

- speeding
- distracted driving
- texting
- failure to use a seatbelt
- following too closely
- improper lane change
- failure to obey traffic control devices

The event is sponsored by CVSA in partnership with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and has received support from industry and transportation safety organizations.



FMCSA Reports ELD's Are Decreasing Hours of Service Violations!

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has said the new Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulation is working well, as it posted a [New Infographic](#) on its website to be updated monthly. FMCSA describes the infographic as a "snapshot of the impact electronic logging devices (ELDs) are making in a positive way and improving hours-of-service compliance on our nation's roads."

The ELD mandate went fully into effect April 1 with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's Out-of-Service criteria for ELDs, less than 1% (4,720) of all driver inspections (559,940) have resulted in the driver being cited for operating without a required ELD or grandfathered AOBDR, the FMCSA reported.

According to the infographic, only 0.64% of driver inspections in May had at least one hours-of-service violation. Compare this to a year earlier, in May 2017, when 1.31% of driver inspections had at least one hours-of-service violation. The rate dropped significantly after December 2017, when the first "soft enforcement" phase went into effect, dropping from 1.19% in December to .83% in January. The rate stayed right around that mark for the first quarter of the year, then dropped again once the "hard" deadline hit in April, to .69%.

HOURS-OF-SERVICE COMPLIANCE IMPROVES WITH ELD ROLLOUT

350,000



Have You Prepared Your Terminal Facility For the 4th of July Holiday?

It is not uncommon for thieves to target truck terminals and truck dealerships over the holidays. Thieves know that holiday weekends are a good opportunity for a successful theft as the possibility exists for no one to be at your facility.

Make sure that you take extra precaution to secure the trucks and items of value at your facility. If your units do not have anti-siphon devices or locking caps, instruct the drivers not to fill the units at the end of the day. Make sure that all security alarms and cameras are in working order. Walk the perimeter of the lot to make sure that security fencing are in good condition. Move units and all other material such as pallets, tires, etc far enough away from the fence so they cannot be used to climb on to get over the fence.

Review your security lighting to make sure it is operational and adequate. Lighting can be obstructed by vehicles or trees allowing a thief a place to be unseen. Consider blocking the entrance and exits to the lot so units cannot be stolen.

Throughout the holiday assign management personnel to check the terminal randomly. Notify local law enforcement officials of your hours of operation over the holidays so they know when to expect activity at your location. Using a little prevention and common sense can deter a thief from striking your facility and disrupting your business!

FMCSA Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Support Information

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has updated their website to provide a centralized location for its ELD Support email inboxes. The update includes the centralization of the following email inboxes:

- [Click Here](#) for general information regarding electronic logging devices (ELD) or automatic on-board recording devices (AOBRD), please review our frequently asked questions (FAQs). If your question is not addressed in the FAQs, submit your question to FMCSA at ELD@dot.gov.
- [Click Here](#) for additional information on agricultural operations, including new agricultural commodity compliance diagrams, please [visit our website](#) or email us at agricultural@dot.gov.



ELD Malfunctions Extension Requests:

If you would like to file an ELD malfunction extension request per [49 CFR part 395.34](#) by email, please submit your extension request to ELD-Extension@dot.gov. Include the legal name, principal place of business address and USDOT number of the motor carrier. To request an extension from the FMCSA Division Administrator in the Field Office in your state, you may contact the office directly. FMCSA Division Administrator contact information can be found by [Clicking Here](#).

Electronic Logging Device HOS Violation Information Graphic

FMCSA has posted an [Informational Graphic](#) that tracks daily and weekly HOS violation information.

Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Frequently Asked Questions: The ELD Frequently Asked Questions have been updated with questions that address Non-compliant drivers and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's Out of Service Criteria, Malfunctioning Automatic Onboard Recording Devices (AOBRD), and Malfunctioning AOBRD extension requests

If you have additional questions, please [Click Here](#).

Navigating Safety and Compliance in 2018

Idealease and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in

FMCSA Officially Delays Implementation of Medical Examiner’s Certification Integration Rule

The implementation date for the Medical Examiner’s Certification Integration final rule has been officially delayed for three years, according to a recent [Interim Final Rule](#) issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

The compliance date, originally slated for June 22, 2018, has been rescheduled until June 22, 2021. FMCSA indicates the action was necessary to provide additional time for IT (information technology) development for both the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners (National Registry) and the State Driver’s Licensing Agencies’ (SDLAs) systems.



What’s the process until June 22, 2021?

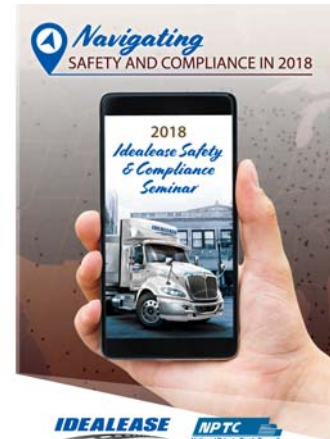
The final rule, once in place, will streamline the process to communicate the results of an FMCSA medical exam performed on a driver holding a Commercial Learner’s Permit (CLP) or Commercial Driver’s License (CDL). However, with the delay, affected parties have been instructed to take the following

actions through June 21, 2021:

- Certified medical examiners must continue issuing the original paper Medical Examiner’s Certificate, Form MCSA-5876, to all qualified drivers including CDL and CLP drivers.
- CLP/CDL drivers must continue:
 - Providing the SDLA a copy of their Medical Examiner’s Certificate, Form MCSA-5876
 - Carrying their Medical Examiner’s Certificate, Form MCSA-5876, as proof of medical certification for the first 15 days following certification
- Motor carriers must continue:
 - Verifying that drivers were certified by a certified medical examiner listed on the National Registry
 - Requesting a copy of a motor vehicle record within 15 days of the exam showing the medical status and exam were updated
- SDLAs must continue processing paper copies of Medical Examiner’s Certificates, Form MCSA-5876, that they receive from drivers.

The interim final rule does not change the requirement for medical examiners to report results of all commercial motor vehicle driver physical examinations performed (including the results of examinations where the driver was found not to be qualified) to FMCSA by midnight (local time) of the next calendar day following the examination. The compliance date for this provision remains as June 22, 2018.

2018. The one day seminar this year will focus on the new Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulation, basic safety and compliance, regulation changes and CSA. The seminars will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals. To register for an upcoming seminar in 2018, [Click Here](#).



Fall Seminars (Sept-Nov)

8/9/2018	Santa Rosa, CA
9/19/18	Fort Wayne, IN
9/25/2018	Dallas, TX
9/26/2018	Houston, TX
10/4/2018	Moncton, NB
10/10/2018	Nashville, TN
10/16/18	Kansas City, MO
10/24/2018	Modesto/Turlock, CA
10/25/18	Oklahoma City, OK
11/7/2018	San Leandro, CA



4th of July Drunk Driving Prevention Campaign

We love to celebrate the 4th of July with family, friends, food, and fireworks, but all too often the festivities turn tragic on the nation’s roads. The fact is, this iconic American holiday is also one of the deadliest holidays of the year due to drunk-driving crashes.

Over the 4th of July holiday period in 2016 (6 P.M. on July 2nd to 5:59 A.M. on July 6th)

- 188 people were killed in crashes involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. This is a 28% increase from 2015 (146 fatalities).

Nearly half of those who died were in a vehicle crash involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a BAC of .15 or higher - almost **twice** the legal limit.

These marketing tools can be distributed to fit your local needs and objectives while, at the same time, partnering with other States, communities, and organizations on this drunk driving prevention initiative.



Click here to get your **4th of July Campaign Materials** now:

[Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over](#) (enforcement)

[Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving](#) (social norming)



SaferRide, NHTSA's Mobile App

NHTSA's **SaferRide** app will help keep impaired drivers off our roads by allowing users to call a taxi or a friend and by identifying their location so they can be picked up.

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