



Safety Driven



Winter 2016

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Vehicle Guidebook

The Vehicle Guidebook was created to assist drivers in having important documentation in a consistent format in the cab of the vehicle. It is recommended that the Vehicle Guidebook stay in the vehicle at all times

Ask your manager or Safety Leader for a copy.

Preventing Driver Injuries In Winter

Slip/Trip and Fall injuries are the most common type of injury for drivers. Most of them occur during the winter months. Each year, thousands of professional drivers are seriously injured due to not paying attention in winter conditions. Working in the ice and snow requires your full attention and awareness.

Remember it is our primary goal that you go home to your family and friends the way you came to work today, safe and healthy.

Always wear proper footwear. A full support leather shoe with a rugged non-slip sole. Use non-slip covers on shoe (Yak Trax, etc.)

- SLOW DOWN, never be in a hurry.
- Always watch where you walk. Snow can accumulate on top of ice in and around truck parking areas.
- Take small steps and check your footing with each step.
- Look for ice on all handrails and hand grabs before using them.
- ALWAYS use gloves for better grip.
- ALWAYS use three points of contact when exiting/entering your tractor or trailer or getting on the cat walk behind the cab, ALWAYS.
- Always use your seat belt.
- SLOW DOWN!

Driver Training

The DOT Training book is required for all drivers every three years. Pro-TREAD's Hazardous Material courses are required for drivers with a hazardous material endorsement. If an individual has not completed these courses they are available in Pro-TREAD for you to complete.

For the second quarter the three courses we have selected are Rear End Collision Avoidance, Parking Lots and Roadside inspections these courses are highly recommended and are now available to you.





Vehicle Guidebook

Location _____

Vehicle ID Number _____

Distance Monitoring Contact _____

Expiration Date	Document Type	Applies To
9/30/2018	Hazardous Materials Certificate of Registration	Vehicles transporting hazardous materials
9/30/2017	Hazardous Materials Safety Permit	Vehicles transporting hazardous materials
8/1/2018	State Insurance Card	All vehicles
8/1/2018	Certificate of Liability Insurance	Optional document for all vehicles
12/31/2018	Colorado Hazardous Materials Annual Permit	Anyone transporting a placarded amount of hazardous material in the state of Colorado
	Annual Vehicle Inspection	CMV

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Winter Driving

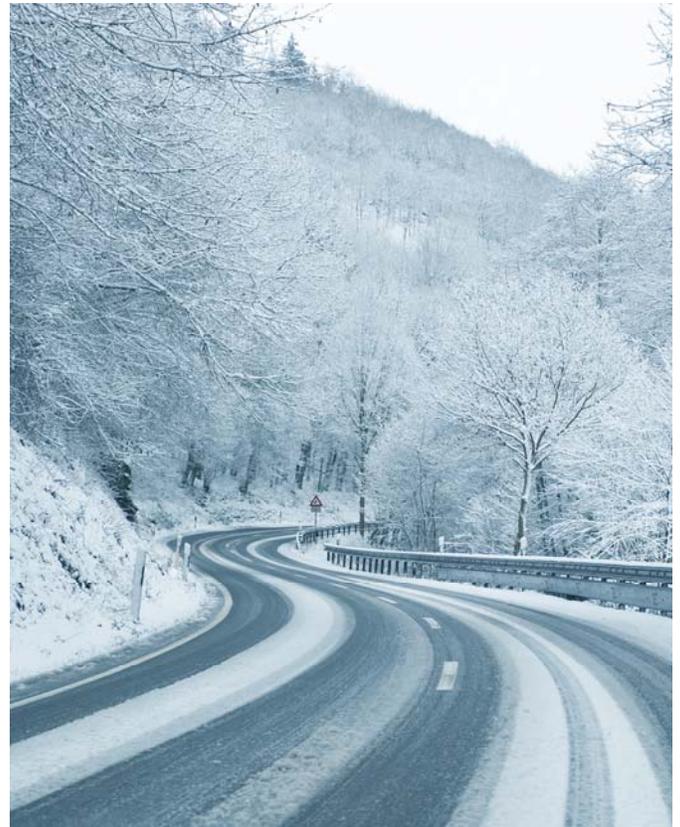
Winter brings many unique challenges to all motorists. Drivers should know the safety rules for dealing with winter road emergencies. Here are some tips for staying safe on snowy and slick roads:

- Avoid driving while you're fatigued. Getting the proper amount of rest before taking on winter weather tasks reduces driving risks.
- Always make sure your vehicle is in peak operating condition by keeping to your preventative maintenance schedule.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full.
- If possible, avoid using your Jake brake in cold, rainy, or snowy weather.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface (wet, ice, sand).
- Always look and steer where you want to go.
- Use your seat belt every time you get into your vehicle.
- Watch weather reports prior to a long-distance drive. Delay trips when especially bad weather is expected. Stay in touch with your dispatcher or manager to let them know your ETA.
- Pack a "survival kit" including cell phone plus blankets, gloves, hats, food, water and any needed medication in your vehicle.
- If you become snow-bound, stay with your vehicle. It provides temporary shelter and makes it easier for rescuers to locate you. Don't try to walk in a severe storm. It's easy to lose sight of your vehicle in blowing snow and become lost.
- If you need to pull over put your emergency triangles out to alert others to your stopped vehicle.

Tips for driving in the snow:

- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the gas slowly to accelerate is the best method for regaining traction and avoiding skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry. And take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning – nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. Give yourself time to maneuver by driving slowly.
- Increase your following distance from 7 seconds to 10 seconds or more. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.
- Reduce your speed and proceed downhill as slowly as possible.

Using common sense and caution you can stay this winter season. Stay safe out there!

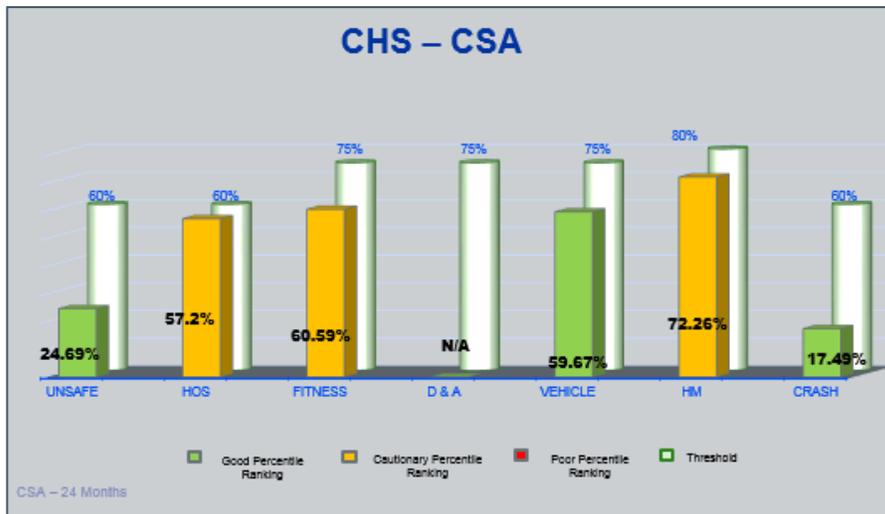


Compliance Safety Accountability – CSA

Listed below are the most pointed violations for Country Operations in the last three months. Conducting complete Pre-Trip Inspections can greatly reduce our numbers.

BASIC	Violation Category	# OOS	Total Point
Vehicle	Brakes	1	210
Vehicle	Lights	3	72
Unsafe	Speeding	0	60
Vehicle	Wheels, Studs, Clamps, Etc.	3	42
HOS	Incomplete/Wrong Log	0	30
Vehicle	Suspension	1	27
Vehicle	Steering Mechanism	1	24
Vehicle	Improper Load Securement	0	21
Unsafe	Seat Belt	0	21
Vehicle	Other Vehicle Defect	0	18
Vehicle	Inspection Reports No Annual Inspection	0	12
Vehicle	Reflective Sheeting	0	9
Vehicle	Windshield/ Glass/ Markings	0	6
Vehicle	Emergency Equipment No fire extinguisher	0	6
Vehicle	Exhaust Discharge	0	3
Vehicle	Fuel Systems	0	3
HOS	Other Log/Form & Manner	0	3
Vehicle	Warning Flags	0	3
	Total	9	570

The bar graph is CHS CSA performance for the last 24 months.



Driver Reward Program

Congratulations to the 13 drivers that have achieved a clean level I or II Roadside Inspection in the 2nd quarter. Rewards will be issued the end of December.

Business Unit	Diver Name
CHS (Hamilton)	James B Wright
CHS Big Sky	David G Peters
CHS Bingham Cooperative	Gerald A Alleman
CHS Farmers Alliance	Dwight D Renshaw
CHS Midwest Cooperative	Austin J Uecker
CHS Northwest	Michael D Buffan
CHS Nutrition Great Falls	Wayne T Callison
CHS Nutrition Great Falls	Michael J Nickol
CHS Nutrition Norfolk	Stephen V Wattier
CHS Nutrition Tillamook	Kerry J Doyle
CHS Primeland	Ethan D Smith
CHS Primeland	Eric J Frei
CHS Sun Basin	John E Hedrick

September – November 2016

Thank You!



Vehicle Incidents – 1st Quarter

During our first quarter fiscal year (*September – November*) we had a total of 103 vehicle accidents and 5 were DOT recordable crashes.

Our most frequent accident types were: Animal Strikes, Hitting Stationary Objects, Glass Damage, Hit While Parked and Backing. We encourage you to start each day with a commitment to safety. Make a pledge to get through the workday accident free.

Don't take any short cuts when it comes to performing your job safely. Wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for the job you're assigned to do.

Always complete pre-trip and post-trip inspections of your vehicle and equipment.

Document and communicate any problems or hazards. Never operate unsafe vehicles or equipment.

Remember – Safety Always

Incident Type	Commercial	Non-Com	Off-Road Equipment	Grand Total
Animal Strike	9	17		26
Hit Stationary Object	12	2	5	19
Glass Damage Only	8	6		14
Hit While Parked	6	3		9
Backing	5	1	1	7
Rear-End	4	2		6
Sideswipe	2	3		5
Rollover	2		2	4
Procedure Error	1		2	3
Equipment Failure	1		1	2
Ran Off Road	1		1	2
Stuck In Mud/Snow	1	1		2
Struck Debris	1	1		2
Intersection / T-Bone		1		1
Cargo-Lost		1		1

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