



Idealease Safety Bulletin

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Question of the Week:

I have just gone through a roadside inspection. What are the regulation requirements for me as the driver and my company regarding this inspection?

Answer:

The driver of any motor vehicle receiving an inspection report shall deliver it to the motor carrier operating the vehicle upon his/her arrival at the next terminal or facility. If the driver is not scheduled to arrive at a terminal or facility of the motor carrier operating the vehicle within 24 hours, the driver shall immediately mail the report to the motor carrier. This applies even if there are no violations on the inspection.

Motor carriers shall examine the report. Violations or defects noted thereon shall be corrected. If there are violations, within 15 days following the date of the inspection, the motor carrier shall — Certify that all violations noted have been corrected by completing the "Signature of Carrier Official, Title, and Date Signed" portions of the form; and return the completed roadside inspection form to the issuing agency at the address indicated on the form and retain a copy at the motor carrier's principal place of business or where the vehicle is housed for 12 months from the date of the inspection.



REMINDER

OSHA 300A Log posting Feb 1, 2010
The OSHA 300A log is to be posted between Feb 1, 2010 and April 30, 2010 for all employees to view.

Safely getting in or out of a Commercial Motor Vehicle.

Now is a good time to remind drivers to follow the 3 Point rule while getting in and out of their trucks. During the winter months footing conditions are compromised and the chance of slipping or falling is increased. The 3 Point rule is simply that you keep three out of four of your contact points (hands and feet) secured to keep from slipping or falling. When exiting a truck, for example, one hand on the cab handle, one hand gripping interior door handle and one foot on a step while the other foot is in transition, by doing this you always maintain three points of contact.



Safe Travel around Snow Plows

Don't crowd the plow. Snowplows plow far and wide—sometimes very wide. The front plow extends several feet in front of the truck and may cross the centerline and shoulders during plowing operations. Plows also turn and exit the road frequently.

Don't tailgate or stop too close behind snowplows. Snowplows are usually spreading deicing materials from the back of the truck and those materials can damage vehicle paint. Plows also may need to stop or take evasive action to avoid stranded vehicles. If you find yourself behind a snowplow, stay behind it or use caution when passing. The road behind a snowplow will be safer to drive on.

On multiple lane roads, watch for snowplows operating in either lane.

Snowplows travel much slower than the posted speeds while removing snow and ice from the roads. When you spot a plow, allow plenty of time to slow down.

A snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them but they may not see you.



February Idealease/NPTC Safety Seminars

If you want to attend one of these seminars please contact your Idealease representative below!

Date: February 4
Place: Lake City Idealease
Location: Salt Lake City, UT
Contact: Todd Stapley
Phone: 801-977-9333

Date: February 10
Place: Miami Valley Idealease
Location: Columbus, OH
Contact: Mike Houston
Phone: 513-733-8510

Date: February 11
Place: Diamond Idealease
Location: Memphis, TN
Contact: Jeff McDermott
Phone: 901-348-2722

Date: February 16
Place: Westran Idealease
Location: Santa Fe Springs, CA
Contact: John Barbour
Phone: 562-404-1020

Date: February 17
Place: BIT Idealease
Location: Pleasanton, CA
Contact: Dave Angotti
Phone: 510-264-5260

Date: February 18
Place: Riverview Idealease
Location: W. Sacramento, CA
Contact: Jeff Peterson
Phone: 916-371-3134

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