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How often is a motor carrier required to review the motor vehicle record of a driver that operates a commercial motor vehicle?

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations requires a motor carrier qualifying a new driver to obtain and review the motor vehicle record of the driver within 30 days of the date of hire CFR 391.23. As a Better Business Practice, it is recommended that the Motor Vehicle Record be obtained and reviewed prior to making an offer of employment to the driver applicant.

After the driver is qualified, the regulations require that at least once every 12 months that the motor carrier make an inquiry into the driving record of each driver it employs, covering at least the preceding 12 months, to the appropriate agency of every State in which the driver held a commercial motor vehicle operator's license or permit during the time period CFR 391.25.

The original motor vehicle record that was used to qualify the driver shall be retained for the duration of employment and 3 years after termination. The motor vehicle records obtained annually after hire can be purged from the files 3 years after the date of issuance.

If a Commercial Vehicle driver had the following violations.....	the likelihood of the driver being in an accident is increased by
Reckless Driving violation	325%
Improper Turns violation	105%
Improper or Erratic Lane Change conviction	100%
Failure to Yield Right of Way conviction	97%
Improper Turn conviction	94%
Failure to Keep in Proper Lane conviction	91%
Improper Lane Change violation	78%
Failure to Yield Right of Way violation	70%
Driving Too Fast for Conditions conviction	62%
Any conviction	56%
Speeding More Than 15 Miles over Speed Limit conviction	56%
Reckless / Careless / Inattentive / Negligent Driving conviction	53%
Following too closely conviction	50%
Improper Lane / Location conviction	47%
Any moving violation	41%
Following Too Close violation	40%
Speeding violation	35%
Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device Violation	30%
Failure to Obey Traffic Signal / Light Conviction	29%
Speeding 1 to 15 Miles over Speed Limit Conviction	26%
Failure to Obey Traffic Sign conviction	24%
Size and Weight violation	21%
Any OOS violation	16%

NEWS

Did you post your OSHA 300A Summary Form Today?

The OSHA300A form is to be posted from February 1 until April 30. The Form 300A provides the total number of job-related injuries and illnesses which were included in more detail on the OSHA 300 log. Companies or establishments with no recordable injuries or illnesses in 2007 still must post the 300A summary with zeros on the total line. It is important to note that the 300A summary must be signed or certified by a company executive or the top facility manager.

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