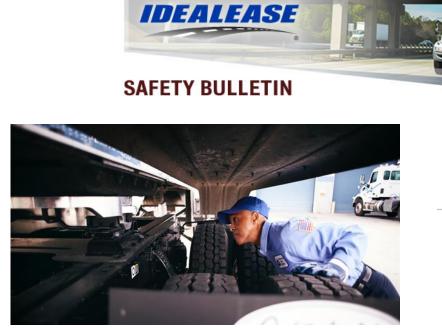
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Training Requirements of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Many of you have sent me emails you have received from consulting firms saying that you are required to have your supervisors of CDL drivers trained in Drug and Alcohol Reasonable Suspicion Testing. The emails are used as "scare" tactics to get you to purchase their supervisor training courses, webinars, etc. Well they are correct that your supervisors are required by Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). But the good news is that the FMCSA makes this training available to you at NO COST!

What the Regulations Say About Training of Your Supervisors of CDL Drivers

This applies to all motor carriers INTRAstate and INTERstate:

Who is subject to the Supervisor Training for Reasonable Suspicion Testing?

CFR 382.603: Training for supervisors

Each employer shall ensure that all persons designated to supervise drivers (CDL) receive at least 60 minutes of training on alcohol misuse and receive at least an

additional 60 minutes of training on controlled substances use. The training will be used by the supervisors to determine whether reasonable suspicion exists to require a driver to undergo testing under §382.307. The



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NEW.....Final Rule for Entry Level Driver Training



Final rule was published in December 2016. Final rule establishes minimum training standards for INTERstate and INTRAstate drivers applying for their initial CDL, upgrading their current CDL, or obtaining a hazardous materials, passenger, or school bus endorsement for the first time. The prescribed training includes both theory (knowledge) and behind-the-wheel (range and public road) instruction. Rule currently on hold, as written does not go into effect until February 7, 2020.

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training shall include the physical, behavioral, speech, and performance indicators of probable alcohol misuse and use of controlled substances. Recurrent training for supervisory personnel is not required.

Where can I get Training?

The FMCSA has the supervisor training available in video format that can be downloaded from their website for FREE by <u>*Clicking Here.*</u> It will take a while to download due to the length of the video and depending on the quality you choose. You can also check with your D&A Third Party Administrator to see if they provide the training.

Are there any training requirements in the regulations specific to drivers?

Outside of the Hazardous Materials Training requirements for drivers, the following regulation applies to all CDL drivers:

Required Entry Level Training CFR part 380(e)



- Entry level driver is a driver with less than one year of experience operating a CMV with a CDL in INTERstate commerce.

 Entry level driver training must include instruction addressing the following four areas: Driver qualifications, hours of service, driver wellness and whitsleblower

protection. Documentation of the training shall be kept in DQ file for term of employment and one year there after.

CVSA Releases 2018 Operation Safe Driver Week Results

More than 10,000 citations issued to CMV drivers. The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) announced the results of its Operation Safe Driver Week, July 15-21, an initiative that calls attention to driver behavior, which the CVSA said is the main cause of crashes and combating those behaviors through heightened traffic safety enforcement and educational outreach.

CVSA said that 51,000 law enforcement officers contacted more than 113,000 commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers and passenger vehicles, issuing 57,405 citations. CMV contacts made up 42,144 of the contacts and 10,709 of the citations issued. CMV drivers were given 29,908 warnings.



The Top Five Citations Issued to CMV Drivers Were:



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Navigating Safety and Compliance in 2018

Idealease and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 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, <u>Click Here.</u>



Fall Seminars (October-November)

1. State/local laws — 6,008 citations	State/local laws — 6,008 citations		10/4/2018	Moncton, NB
 Speeding — 1,908 Failure to use a seat belt — 1,169 Failure to obey a traffic control device — 754 			10/10/2018	Nashville, TN
5. Using a handheld phone — 262 Other CMV-Related Statistics from O	5. Using a handheld phone — 262 Other CMV-Related Statistics from Operation Safe Driver Week Include:		10/16/2018	Kansas City, MO
 0.9% of driver citations were for failure to wear a seat belt 123 citations for reckless, inattentive, and/or careless driving 42 citations for possession, use, or under-the-influence of alcohol or drugs, or both 20 texting citations were issued 17 citations for operating vehicle while ill or fatigued 14 citations for using or equipping CMV with a radar detector 		10/24/2018	Modesto/Turlock, CA	
		oth	10/25/2018	Oklahoma City, OK
			11/7/18	San Leandro, CA
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