

# Truck and Bus Crashes Reportable to FMCSA

## REPORT A TRAFFIC CRASH IF IT INVOLVES...

**Any truck** that has a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of more than 10,000 pounds or a gross combination weight rating (GCWR) of more than 10,000 pounds used on public highways

**OR**

**Any motor vehicle** with seating to transport nine (9) or more people, including the driver's seat

**OR**

**Any motor vehicle** displaying a hazardous materials placard (regardless of weight)

## ...AND RESULTS IN

**A fatality:** any person(s) killed in or outside of any vehicle (truck, bus, car, etc.) involved in the crash or who dies within 30 days of the crash as a result of an injury sustained in the crash

**OR**

**An injury:** any person(s) injured as a result of the crash who immediately receives medical treatment away from the crash scene

**OR**

**A tow-away:** any motor vehicle (truck, bus, car, etc.) disabled as a result of the crash and transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other vehicle

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**Crashes involving commercial motor vehicles and some non-commercial motor vehicles must be reported on a State's crash report and to the FMCSA. A commercial motor vehicle is any motor vehicle that is used on a trafficway for the transportation of goods, property, or people in interstate or intrastate commerce.**

## **INCLUDED:**

**Here are some examples of commercial and non-commercial operations that, when involved in a crash, should be included if they meet the criteria on the front of this card.**

### **Examples:**

1. A trucking company or individual owner/operator hauling the goods of a business for a fee.
2. A manufacturing company hauling its own products to retail stores, or a retail store delivering products to its buyers.
3. A farm hauling its produce to market.
4. A motorcoach, airport shuttle, or hotel-owned shuttle bus or limousine service transporting passengers.
5. A government-owned truck or bus.
6. A school bus transporting students to/from school or school-related activities.
7. A rented or leased truck used to transport either commercial or personal goods.
8. A truck or truck tractor owned and operated for commerce being used for a personal trip or to transport personal goods.

## **EXCLUDED:**

**Here are some examples of non-commercial operations that, when involved in a crash, should not be included.**

### **Examples:**

1. A non-commercial horse owner transporting hay bales from his pasture on one side of the road to his stables on the other side of the road in a truck with a GVWR greater than 10,000 pounds.
2. A homeowner carrying recyclables to a drop-off point in a personally owned pickup truck with a GVWR greater than 10,000 pounds.
3. A family of 10 persons taking a trip in the family's 12-person van.
4. A personally owned pickup truck hauling a boat, horse or utility trailer with a GCWR greater than 10,000 pounds not operating in commerce or as part of a business.
5. A family operating a personally owned and registered recreational vehicle or motor home.