How can drivers learn about CSA?

The best thing to do is be well-informed. Go to the real source. Our website explains CSA in clear detail. So, spending time there is a good way to separate reality from rumor. And, while CSA does not require mandatory carrier or driver training, it is in everyone's interest to be informed about the program. Here's how:

- 1) Learn the details about the BASICs and how FMCSA assesses safety under CSA at http://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov.
- 2) Know and follow safety rules and regulations. Check out safe driving tips for commercial motor vehicles by visiting www.fmcsa.dot.gov. Click on "driver" in the Quick Links panel.
- 3) Review inspection reports before driving away. Ensure data is accurate to avoid corrections later; keep copies of reports.
- 4) Check your Pre-Employment Screening Program safety record at http://www.psp.fmcsa.dot.gov.
- 5) Learn about employers' safety records. Check carrier safety records online at http://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/sms.
- 6) Stay connected to CSA. Subscribe to the RSS feed or email list to stay up-to-date on CSA news and information at http://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov.







"Truck and bus safety is my business. It's also yours. Here's how we can make our roads safer."

- FMCSA Administrator, Anne Ferro

Drivers carry safety to the road. Your performance affects your carrier's record. Studies show a small percentage of drivers to be involved in a large number of crashes and, after years of careful study, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) implemented Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA).

CSA is a field-tested enforcement and compliance program used to achieve the agency's mission to reduce commercial motor vehicle crashes, fatalities, and injuries.

CSA's Safety Measurement System (SMS) focuses on seven categories of behavior related to crash risk. All safety-based roadside inspection violations count, not just out-of-service violations.

Here are the seven Behavior Analysis and Safety Improvement Categories (BASICs):

- 1. Unsafe Driving
- 2. Hours-of-Service Compliance
- 3. Driver Fitness
- 4. Controlled Substances/Alcohol
- 5. Vehicle Maintenance
- 6. Hazardous Materials Compliance
- 7. Crash Indicator

For drivers with good safety performance histories, CSA is good news. Every carrier's record includes the safety history of its drivers, so having a good safety record means a lot.

The goal is simple and clear: to make America's highways safer for everyone. Together, we'll make that happen.

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