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CSA...What You Need To Know

Driver Safety Enforcement: What Motor Carriers Need to Know

Driver safety enforcement impacts both drivers and carriers. Research, such as the Large Truck Crash Causation Study, has shown that unsafe driver behavior is a major contributor to commercial motor vehicle (CMV)-related crashes. Other studies indicate that a small segment of the driver population is involved in a disproportionately large number of crashes. As a result, under CSA the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) expands its approach by identifying and addressing drivers with poor safety performance histories during interventions with motor carriers.

Previous Enforcement Program

- ▶ Focused primarily on motor carriers
- ▶ Allowed drivers to elude safety programs by “jumping” from one carrier to another, leaving employers unaware of the drivers’ poor safe records
- ▶ Relied heavily on the carriers to be accountable for individual driver safety problems



The New CSA Approach

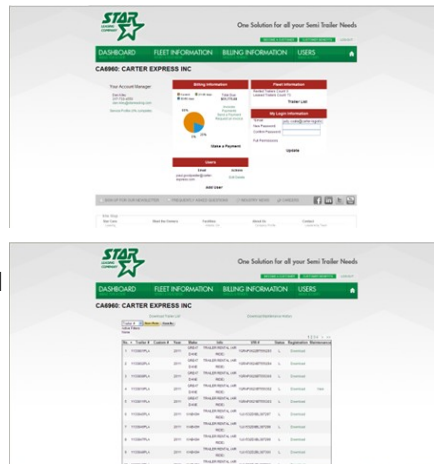
- ▶ Directly monitors the safety and performance of individual drivers
- ▶ Addresses problem drivers based on their records across multiple employers
- ▶ Holds both motor carriers and drivers responsible for safety and performance

Safety & Wellness

Complacency and Safety

by Mike Hensley

Companies that start to become good at safety will often have a hazard show up throughout the organization they have not seen before. That hazard is complacency. The danger is that as injury rates get better and better employees and leadership begin to feel “safe.” The reality is that the same potential for injury is still in the workplace; it is just that our focus on safety has improved people’s performance.



A Message From Our Leadership Team

Star Leasing Company adds 3 new features to our customer portal on our website. Our customer portal now makes paying bills and retrieving invoices even easier. Customer’s now have the option of paying with credit cards or **on-line bill pay**. It’s just like paying your bills on-line at home through on-line banking. Star also has added a **Customer Service profile** feature which allows the customer to change approval parameters and contact information. Customers can also **retrieve maintenance data** by unit or total fleet with just a couple of mouse clicks.

What’s New In Technology

GPS + engine monitoring = 20% fuel savings, says Networkfleet

Networkfleet, Inc. has released the free paper “Don’t Sit Idle While Fuel Costs Rise,” that shows how fleets can use GPS fleet tracking and engine diagnostic to lower fuel costs by as much as 20%.

Fuel-saving features enabled by Web-based fleet management include:

- ▶ Alerts and reports for idling and speed violations
- ▶ Fuel card reports that track fuel transactions and identify unauthorized fuel purchases
- ▶ Fuel usage reports for detailed purchase and MPG monitoring
- ▶ Routing capabilities to dispatch drivers more efficiently and reduce overall driving distances
- ▶ Diagnostic tools to help keep engines in optimal condition and increase fuel performance