

SECTION 7 – VEHICLE SAFETY PLAN

Vehicular accidents are the number one killer of workers in the United States. This plan covers safe operation and

- Participate in driver-training programs.
- Ensure all vehicle occupants use seatbelts before moving the vehicle.
- Follow safe fueling procedures.
- Conduct a pre-use inspection before any first daily use.
- Immediately report any safety defects or vehicle problems.
- Report use of all prescription medication.

TRAINING

All employees authorized to operate company-owned-or-leased vehicles will participate in driver-safety training that will include:

- Defensive driving
- Vehicle inspection
- Accident procedures
- Hazardous weather driving
- Procedure for notification of unsafe vehicle
- Backing procedures (light truck & van operators)
- Cargo area storage (light truck & van operators)
- Loading & unloading (light truck & van operators)

VEHICLE INSPECTION

Driver Inspections- Prior to each first daily use the driver shall inspect the vehicle for proper operation of the following safety features, as applicable:

- Horn
- Head, tail & signal lights
- Windshield wipers
- Tire inflation (visual check)
- Brakes
- Steering control
- Mirrors
- No operational warning lights
- Accident kit in glove compartment
- Fire extinguisher (light trucks & vans)
- Broken glass

Mechanical Inspections - Every company vehicle will be inspected by a qualified vehicle mechanics at least every 6 months.

Inspection & maintenance points include:

Road test

Visual inspection of brake system - wheel removal required

Fluid system levels & visual inspection

Brake pad wear

- Do not back up if anyone is in path of vehicle travel
- Check clearances
- Don't assume people see you
- Getting out & check if you cannot see from the driver's seat

Stopping

- Park only in proper areas, not roadsides
- Use warning flashers & raise hood if vehicle becomes disabled

Accidents

- Do not admit responsibility
- Notify your company and law enforcement as soon as possible
- Cooperate with any law enforcement officers
- Move the vehicle only at the direction of a law enforcement officer
- Fill out all sections of the accident report in the glove box
- Do not sign any forms unless required by a law enforcement officer
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