

Fleet Safety



Vehicle collisions are the No. 1 cause of occupational deaths. Nearly one in four vehicle accidents involves backing, causing deaths, injuries and property damage.ⁱ



Roadway incidents accounted for nearly one out of every four fatal work injuries.ⁱⁱ That means your employees are more likely to be killed in a roadway crash than during any other part of their job.

Mobile devices and other in-vehicle electronics are a distraction, and at least 23% of all traffic crashes involve cell phone use.ⁱⁱⁱ



41 states prohibit texting while driving and 11 states prohibit all drivers from using handheld cell phones while driving.^{iv}

EMC Fleet Safety Recommendations

EMC recommends that organizations develop a fleet safety program to help keep employees safe behind the wheel. A comprehensive program includes:

- **Driver Selection:** Establish driver disqualification criteria and check motor vehicle records
- **Safety Rules:** Establish rules for cell phone use, seat belt use and driving under the influence
- **Vehicle Maintenance:** Document daily inspections and make all necessary repairs
- **Authorized Vehicle Use:** Create a policy to address authorized drivers and approved business purposes
- **Driver Training:** Train drivers on all company safety rules, including defensive driving
- **Accident Reporting and Investigation:** Keep proper forms, instructions and contact information in company vehicles

EMC's Online Resources at www.emcins.com

- Customizable fleet safety program templates
- Online training
- Inspection and accident reporting forms
- Safety posters
- Fleet loss control information



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ⁱ National Safety Council

ⁱⁱ U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, 2013 (<http://www.bls.gov/iif/oshwc/cfoi/cfch0010.pdf>)

ⁱⁱⁱ <http://www.nsc.org/Pages/NSCEstimates16millioncrashescausedbydriversusingcellphonesandtexting.aspx>

^{iv} http://www.ghsa.org/html/stateinfo/laws/cellphone_laws.html