



MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY TOOLKIT

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A Toolkit for Compliance with the
National Safety Code for Motor Carriers

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What is the NSC for Motor Carriers?

The National Safety Code (NSC) was developed in 1987 to promote safety, competence and productivity in the Canadian trucking industry. Because many motor carriers operate in multiple jurisdictions, it was important to create a code that would provide consistency across provincial and territorial lines. The NSC was developed by consolidating existing territorial, provincial and federal legislation and regulations. New initiatives were also added.

With guidance from the NSC, individual provinces and territories have been able to establish their own legislation and regulations. The safety standards include regulations concerning the following:

1. Single-driver licences
2. Knowledge and performance tests
3. Driver examiner training
4. Classified driver licences
5. Self-certification
6. Medical requirements
7. Driver and carrier profiles
8. Rules of suspension
9. Hours of service
10. Securing loads
11. Vehicle maintenance and inspection
12. Road inspections
13. Trip reports
14. Carrier safety ratings
15. Audit requirements
16. Recommended first aid training

A complete copy of the NSC can be purchased from the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA). Standards 1-5, 7-10 and 14-16 are included in the *National Safety Code for Motor Carriers* publication. Standards 11, 12, and 13 are part of the *Commercial Vehicle Inspections in Canada* publication, and are sold separately. Standard 6 is also called the CCMTA Medical Standards for Drivers, and is available under separate cover.

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Purpose of this Guide

This guide is designed to help you craft a safety plan for your company that is compliant with the *NSC Standards for Motor Carriers*. Your safety plan should include all safety policies and legal obligations needed to run your business safely and effectively. In addition to these resources, this guide provides recommended documents that will make everyday operation of your business easier and more efficient.

The focus will be on the standards applicable to motor carriers, although a brief summary of every NSC standard will be provided. For each standard, pertinent forms will be listed. All forms listed can be found within the contents of this guide.

Each page of the guide is linked to the table of contents and provides a return link. Additionally, any recommended forms are linked to the actual form. Take advantage of these links to navigate the document quickly.

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