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Office	Docket # / Title	Action	Description	Key Dates	Update
FMCSA / PHMSA	FMCSA-2010-0096 / PHMSA-2010-0227: <i>Drivers of CMVs: Restricting the Use of Cellular Phones</i>	Final Rule	FMCSA and PHMSA amend the FMCSRs and the HMR to restrict the use of hand-held mobile telephones by drivers of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs).	Effective 1/3/12	12/2 Announcement
FMCSA	FMCSA-2011-0318: <i>Alabama Metal Coil Securement Act</i>	Petition for Determination of Preemption	FMCSA requests comments on an ATA petition requesting a determination that the State of Alabama's Metal Coil Securement Act is preempted by Federal law.	Comments due 1/23/12	11/23 Announcement
FMCSA	FMCSA-2011-0289: <i>Information Collection: Designation of Agents, Motor Carriers, Brokers and Freight Forwarders</i>	Notice and request for comments.	FMCSA requests approval to revise an ICR entitled, "Designation of Agents, Motor Carriers, Brokers and Freight Forwarders," which is used to provide registered motor carriers, property brokers, and freight forwarders a means of meeting process agent requirements.	Comments are due 1/30/12	11/29 Announcement
FMCSA	DOT-OST-2011-0129: <i>Proposed Information Collection and Procedures for Grant Payment Request Submission</i>	Request; Notice of New Requirements	DOT is updating its systems that support grant payments and there will be changes to the way grantees complete and submit payment requests. The Department has requested comment.	Comments are due 1/9/12.	11/10 Announcement
FMCSA	FMCSA-2011-0039: <i>Commercial Driver's License Information System State Procedures Manual, Release 5.2.0</i>	Final Rule	FMCSA amends the FMCSRs to incorporate the most recent edition of AAMVA's Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS) State Procedures Manual - Release 5.2.0. This final rule requires all State driver licensing agencies (SDLAs) to use this recent edition of the Manual to develop the process required to transmit, receive, record, and update information on a CDLIS driver record.	Effective: 12/5/11. Compliance Date: 1/30/12.	11/4 Announcement

FMCSA	FMCSA-97-2349: <i>Unified Registration System</i>	Supplemental NPRM	FMCSA amends its URS proposal, responding to comments to the 2005 URS NPRM, incorporating new proposals implementing requirements imposed by final rules published after the 2005 URS NPRM, and includes new proposals to implement certain provisions of SAFETEA-LU. FMCSA believes the proposed URS would improve the registration process for motor carriers, property brokers, freight forwarders and other entities that register with FMCSA.	Comments due: 12/27/11	10/26 Announcement
FMCSA	FMCSA-2011-0225: <i>New Information Collection Request: Commercial Driver Individual Differences Study</i>	Notice / request for comments	FMCSA requests approval of a new Information Collection Request (ICR) that is associated with a study that will be conducted by a research contractor to investigate the differences among the characteristics of individual commercial drivers. This information collection will aid FMCSA in developing future safety initiatives by examining a wide array of driver and situational factors to determine if they are associated with increased or decreased crash and incident involvement.	Comments must be submitted on or before 12/2/11.	Ongoing
FMCSA	FMCSA-2011-0097: <i>Pilot Project on NAFTA Trucking Provisions</i>	Update	FMCSA intends to proceed with the initiation of the NAFTA US/Mexico cross-border long-haul trucking pilot program to test and demonstrate the ability of Mexico-domiciled motor carriers to operate safely in the US beyond the municipalities and commercial zones along the United States-Mexico border.	10/21/11 - first Mexican-domiciled truck enters US.	Teamsters, Public Citizen and Sierra Club File Suit to Stop Cross-Border Program FMCSA response to OIG report OIG Progress Report

FMCSA	FMCSA-2010-0271: <i>Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Saddle-Mount Braking Requirements</i>	Final Rule	FMCSA proposes to amend the FMCSRs by eliminating the requirement for operational brakes on the last saddle-mounted truck or tractor in a triple saddle-mount combination, except when a full mount is present.	Final Rule effective 10/13/11.	Final Rule published 9/13/11.
FMCSA	FMCSA-2010-0167: <i>Electronic On-Board Recorders and Hours of Service Supporting Documents</i>	NPRM	FMCSA proposes to amend FMCSRs to require certain motor carriers operating commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce to use electronic on-board recorders (EOBRs) to document their drivers' hours of service (HOS).	Rule vacated by Court ruling 8/29/11	FMCSA will publish rule rescinding language, continues to work on EOBR 2.
FMCSA	FMCSA-2008-0363: <i>National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners</i>	Notice of availability of draft guidance; request for comments	FMCSA proposes to establish and maintain a National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners (NRCME) and to require that all medical examiners who conduct medical examinations for interstate commercial motor vehicle drivers complete certain training concerning FMCSA physical qualification standards, pass a test to verify an understanding of those standards, and maintain competence by periodic training and testing.	Comments were due 6/16/11	On 5/17/11, FMCSA announced the availability for public review and comment draft guidance for the core curriculum specifications that could be used by training providers in implementing the National Registry proposed rule.
FMCSA	FMCSA-2007-27659: <i>Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit Standards</i>	Final Rule	FMCSA proposes to revise the commercial driver's license (CDL) knowledge and skills testing standards, and to require new Federal minimum standards for States to issue commercial learner's permits (CLPs). FMCSA also proposes that a CLP holder meet virtually the same requirements as those for a CDL holder. This means that a driver holding a CLP would be subject to the same driver disqualification offenses as apply to a CDL holder.	Effective Date 7/08/11 Compliance Date: 7/8/14	Final rule published 5/9/11.

FMCSA	FMCSA-2005-23315: <i>Requirements for Intermodal Equipment Providers and Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating Intermodal Equipment</i>	Final Rule / Partial Extension of Compliance Date	FMCSA proposes regulations for entities offering intermodal chassis to motor carriers for transportation of intermodal containers in interstate commerce.	Compliance Date extended until 6/30/12	On 5/20/11, FMCSA extended the compliance date of the requirement for drivers and motor carriers to prepare a driver-vehicle inspection report (DVIR) on an item of intermodal equipment (IME) when no damage, defects, or deficiencies are discovered by, or
FMCSA	FMCSA-2004-19608: <i>Hours of Service of Drivers</i>	NPRM	To promote safety and to protect driver health, FMCSA proposes to revise the regulations for hours of service (HOS) for drivers of property-carrying commercial motor vehicles (CMVs).	Final Rule expected by end of December	In late November, FMCSA filed an update with the court indicating that the agency expects to publish the rule by the end of December.
FMCSA	FMCSA-2001-11061: <i>New Entrant Safety Assurance Process: Implementation of Section 210(b) of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999</i>	Advance NPRM	FMCSA requests comment on the methods the Agency should consider implementing to provide further assurance that a new applicant carrier is knowledgeable about the applicable safety requirements before being granted New Entrant authority.	Comments were due 10/26/09	A request for comment was published 8/25/09. No further action has been taken.
FMCSA	FMCSA-1997-2210: <i>Medical Certification Requirements as Part of the CDL</i>	NPRM	FMCSA proposes to keep in effect until 1/30/14 the requirement that interstate drivers subject to the commercial driver's license (CDL) regulations and the federal physical qualification requirements must retain a paper copy of the medical examiner's certificate.	Rule effective 12/15/11.	FMCSA has extended the CDL requirement that drivers keep paper copies of their medical certificates to January 2014. It does NOT delay the coming deadlines for digital compliance. NPRM published 6/14/11.

PHMSA	PHMSA-2010-0227 (HM-256A): <i>Hazardous Materials: Restricting the Use of Cellular Phones by Drivers of Commercial Motor Vehicles in Intrastate Commerce</i>	Final Rule	PHMSA proposes to restrict the use of hand-held mobile telephones, including cell phones, by drivers during the operation of a motor vehicle containing a quantity of hazardous materials requiring placarding under Part 172 of the 49 CFR or any quantity of a select agent or toxin listed in 42 CFR Part 73. Additionally, in accordance with requirements proposed by FMCSA, motor carriers are prohibited from requiring or allowing drivers of covered motor vehicles to engage in the use of hand-held mobile telephones while driving.	Effective 1/3/12	12/2 Announcement
PHMSA	PHMSA-2010-0019 (HM-241): <i>Hazardous Materials: Adoption of ASME Code Section XII and the National Board Inspection Code</i>	Advance NPRM / Document Availability / Extension of Comment Period.	PHMSA is considering amending the HMR to incorporate the most recent edition of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section XII for the design, construction, and certification of cargo tank motor vehicles, cryogenic portable tanks and multi-unit-tank car tanks (ton tanks). PHMSA is also considering incorporating by reference the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors' National Board Inspection Code as it applies to the continuing qualification and maintenance of ASME stamped cargo tank motor vehicles, portable tanks, and multi-unit-tank car tanks (ton tanks) constructed to standards in ASME Section VIII or ASME Section XII.	Comments were due 5/23/11	Available electronically - ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section XII (2010 Edition) & the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors' National Board Inspection Code (2007 Edition).

PHMSA	PHMSA-2007-28119 (HM- 247): <i>Hazardous Materials: Cargo Tank Motor Vehicle Loading and Unloading Operations</i>	NPRM	PHMSA is proposing to require each person (i.e., carrier or facility) who engages in cargo tank loading or unloading operations to perform a risk assessment of the loading and unloading operation and develop and implement safe operating procedures based upon the results of the risk assessment. In addition, PHMSA is proposing to require each employee who engages in cargo tank loading or unloading operations to receive training and be evaluated on the employee's qualifications to perform loading or unloading functions. PHMSA is proposing these amendments to reduce the risk associated with the loading and unloading of cargo tank motor vehicles that contain hazardous materials.	Comments were due by 5/10/11	NPRM/Request for comments was published 3/11/11.
PHMSA	PHMSA-2005-22356 (PHM-7): <i>Hazardous Materials: Enhanced Enforcement Authority Procedures</i>	Final Rule	PHMSA is implementing enhanced inspection, investigation, and enforcement authority conferred on the Secretary of Transportation by the Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005. This final rule establishes procedures for issuance of emergency orders (restrictions, prohibitions, recalls, and out-of-service orders) to address unsafe conditions or practices posing an imminent hazard; opening packages to identify undeclared or non-compliant shipments, when the person in possession of the package refuses a request to open it; and the temporary detention and inspection of potentially non-compliant packages.	Final Rule Effective 5/2/11	Final Rule was published 3/2/11.

NHTSA	NHTSA-2010-0112: <i>Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Motorcoach Definition; Occupant Crash Protection</i>	NPRM	NHTSA proposes to amend the Federal motor vehicle safety standard (FMVSS) on occupant crash protection (FMVSS No. 208) to require lap/shoulder seat belts for each passenger seating position in new motorcoaches. This NPRM also proposes to require a lap/shoulder belt for the motorcoach and large school bus driver's seating positions, which currently are required to have either a lap or a lap/shoulder belt.	Comments were due 10/1/10. Final Rule expected in 2012 Proposed compliance date: 3 years after final rule	NPRM / Request for comments published 8/18/10
NHTSA	NHTSA-2007-26851: <i>Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard; Engine Control Module Speed Limiter Device</i>	Grant of petition for rulemaking	NHTSA announced the agency's intention to propose a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard that would require the installation of speed limiting devices on heavy trucks.	NPRM Expected in 2012	PENDING
NHTSA	<i>Truck Tractor and Motorcoach Stability Control</i>	PENDING	NHTSA will propose test procedures for a standard on stability control systems for truck tractors and motorcoaches. The stability control system is aimed at addressing rollover and loss of control crashes.	Publication scheduled for 2/29/12	Draft rule sent to OST 9/28/11.