



# Idealease Safety Bulletin

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## FMCSA RULEMAKINGS AGENDA FOR 2013

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has pushed back the anticipated publication dates for a number of upcoming rulemakings affecting motor carriers and drivers. Please note that these dates are the agency's best estimates for when final and proposed rules might be published, and are subject to further delay.

**Electronic On-Board Recorders.** Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking now expected June 28, 2013. This means that a final rule to mandate electronic logging devices would most likely not be published until mid-2014. With a two-year phase-in, that means that electronic recorders would not be required for all carriers operating in interstate commerce until mid-2016.

**Carrier Safety Fitness Standards.** A notice of proposed rulemaking to replace the current safety fitness ratings system is now expected November 25, 2013. This rulemaking was withdrawn from review two years ago when issues arose with the agency's Compliance, Safety, Accountability program; CSA scores are expected to form the basis of a carrier's safety fitness rating under the new rulemaking. The FMCSA has now established a subcommittee of its Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee to review CSA and make recommendations on how to improve the enforcement program.

**Unified Registration System.** A final rule to establish a new Unified Registration System to replace four legacy systems in support of FMCSA's safety and commercial oversight responsibilities is now anticipated for April 25, 2013. It would require motor carriers, brokers, freight forwarders, and others required to register with DOT to comply with a new URS registration and biennial update requirement, disclose the cumulative registration

information collected by URS, and provide a cross-reference to all regulatory requirements necessary to obtain permanent registration.

**CDL Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.** A proposed rule is now expected to be published on April 2, 2013 to establish an online clearinghouse of information on CDL drivers who have failed a DOT-required drug or alcohol test or refused to submit to testing. The data would be available to carriers seeking to hire drivers.

**Diabetes Standard.** A proposed rule to establish driver qualification standards relating to insulin-dependent diabetes is now expected to be published November 6, 2013. These standards would replace the current requirement for a driver with diabetes to obtain a waiver of the qualification requirements in order to drive a CMV.

**Entry-Level Driver Training.** The FMCSA has still not set out any deadline for publishing a final rule on minimum training standards for drivers to obtain a new or upgraded CDL. A draft rule has been withdrawn by FMCSA because the agency could not validate the hours and curriculum requirements and therefore could not justify the rule on a cost-benefit basis. The Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee has also been asked to review and provide recommendations on this program. (Information provided by the National Private Truck Council NPTC)



# Registration is now open online for the 2013 Idealease/NPTC Safety Seminars

Idealease, its affiliates and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 2013. The one day seminars this year will focus on basic safety and compliance, regulation changes and CSA. The seminars will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals. To view the schedule and register for an upcoming seminar in 2013 click on the following link or simply click the link of the specific seminar you'd like to attend below:

[www.Idealease.com/safety](http://www.Idealease.com/safety)

## 2013 Idealease/Safety Seminar Schedule

[19-Feb: Mobile, AL](#)

[26-Feb: El Paso, TX](#)

[27-Feb: Phoenix, AZ](#)

[28-Feb: Seattle, WA](#)

[20-Mar: Los Angeles, CA](#)

[21-Mar: Santa Fe Springs, CA](#)

[26-Mar: Memphis, TN](#)

[28-Mar: Atlanta, GA](#)

[2-Apr: Hyattsville, MD](#)

[3-Apr: Baltimore, MD](#)

[4-Apr: Harrisburg, PA](#)

[9-Apr: Milwaukee, WI](#)

[10-Apr: Fort Wayne, IN](#)

[11-Apr: Green Bay, WI](#)

[11-Apr: Grand Rapids, MI](#)

[17-Apr: Sacramento, CA](#)

[18-Apr: San Leandro, CA](#)

[18-Apr: Orlando, FL](#)

[23-Apr: Altoona, IA](#)

[24-Apr: Oklahoma City, OK](#)

[25-Apr: Chattanooga, TN](#)

[25-Apr: Dallas, TX](#)

[8-May: Denver, CO](#)

[9-May: Mississauga, Ontario](#)

## OSHA Form 300A Posting Date Approaching - Starts February 1

As a reminder, your company may be required to post an OSHA Form 300A. This is a summary log of all work-related injuries and illnesses that occurred at your place of business in 2012. The posting period is from February 1 through April 30, 2013. You can [download forms 300, 300A, 301](#) from OSHA's Injury & Illness Recordkeeping Forms Web page.



This mandate is part of OSHA's Recording and Reporting Occupational Injuries and Illnesses Standard, 29 CFR 1904. The summary should contain the total numbers of job-related injuries and illnesses that occurred in 2012 that were logged on the OSHA 300 form. Employment information regarding the annual average number of employees and total hours worked during the calendar year is needed to calculate incidence rates.

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