

Checklist: Reduce security risks for your truck drivers

If you are active in the transportation industry, many of your employees find themselves frequently alone on the roads. It is, therefore, particularly important to monitor the risks they may be exposed to and determine the best way to prevent them. We assist you in identifying common risks throughout the supply chain so that your employees always feel safe at work.





Reduce the risk of road accidents

As a business leader, it is your responsibility to create the best possible conditions for employees traveling on the roads. Keep in mind that solo drivers covering long distances without stopping are the group most often involved in single-vehicle accidents. Therefore, carefully plan and schedule breaks for longer distances.

Beware of electrical faults and criminal fires

On the roads, there are certain fire risks; for example, a traffic accident can easily trigger a fire. Additionally, there is often criminal activity leading to fires near rest areas and warehouses. Truck drivers should always have the appropriate firefighting equipment with them and know how to use it. It is both a legal requirement and an insurance obligation to have the right fire protection.





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Create a safe working environment for your employees

Regardless of what happens, isolated workers are more vulnerable. Ensure that your employees have a safe working environment and are aware of the relevant rules. During loading and unloading, especially when transporting heavier goods, the risk of damage is high. Regularly inspect vehicles and equip them with first aid supplies and alarms. Portable alarm buttons can be obtained to enhance your drivers' safety.

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Make it difficult for thieves

Theft of goods and vehicles can occur, so reduce opportunities for thieves to act. Store theft-sensitive products out of sight when not in use and alert vehicles when the driver stops at a rest area. Don't forget your employees either. Teach them how they are supposed to act if they encounter a burglar.





Monitor your employees' health

Transport often involves a lot of sitting, lifting heavy loads, and spending time alone. Invest in your employees' health by discussing health, examining ergonomics, and encouraging breaks. Remember that according to the Occupational Safety and Health Act, you are obligated to regularly assess the work environment for potential risks to your employees. Therefore, conduct systematic environmental assessments and actively work on the corporate culture to promote a positive working atmosphere.







Accident redesign is ahead of us

Sometimes accidents happen even if you have done everything you can to minimize risks. It is, therefore, at least as important that everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency. Ensure that your employees, even new recruits, are familiar with applicable procedures and how to use safety equipment.

To prevent similar accidents in the future, it is also important that you, as a responsible person, document what happened and learn from the situation. All serious accidents affecting employees must be reported to the Occupational Safety and Health Authority, and it is important to report thefts to the police.

Also, keep in mind that corporate culture can determine whether your employees report minor accidents and identified risks. A good safety-oriented work culture will also create a better working environment.





Make the right decision with the help of Protectas

When you and your employees feel safe at work, you work more efficiently and maximize productivity. To ensure that all possible risks are identified, and the right security solutions are installed, you can turn to experts in the field.

With Protectas as a partner, you don't have to worry about the security of the company. We have extensive experience, a wide range of security systems, and can handle everything from a comprehensive security approach to assistance in a specific area.

Do you need help with risk assessment and security solutions? Contact us, and we will call you to help increase the security of your transportation. We offer the first risk assessment for free.

