

**RULES AND REGULATIONS
CONCERNING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE OPERATION
OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES**

STATEMENT OF BASIS, STATUTORY AUTHORITY, AND PURPOSE

Under §42-4-235 (4) (a) (I), CRS, the Chief of the Colorado State Patrol has the authority to promulgate rules and regulations establishing minimum standards for the operation of commercial vehicles within Colorado.

Amendments proposed to 8 CCR 1507-1 include:

- Document formatting adjustments that do not affect the content or interpretation of these rules have been made throughout the document to comply with the state accessibility standards required under Section 24-34-802, CRS. Examples of these adjustments include changing capitalized text to mixed-case or lower-case text, removing underlined text, increasing font size, using the word “section” instead of the section symbol, enabling hyperlinked text, and adjusting the document’s paragraph structure to support electronic bookmarking for use with electronic reading software.
- Insertion of a Table of Contents, facilitating document navigation.
- To include a new definition for “Authorized Enforcement Official,” clarifying which law enforcement officials are authorized to complete commercial vehicle inspections and/or compliance reviews and the criteria officers must satisfy.
- Updating references to the commercial vehicle chain law requirements to be consistent with legislative changes effected by SB 24-100 and its amendments of Section 42-4-106, CRS.
- Updating references to the Colorado Revised Statutes, the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Inspector Criteria, CVSA OOS Criteria, CVSA Bylaws, and FMCSRs to maintain consistency with controlling and authorizing legal authorities.
- Revising verbiage throughout the rules to improve overall readability and message clarity and
- Correcting minor errors in grammar, editing, spelling, formatting, and updating references to resources.

The General Assembly has declared that the safe operation of commercial vehicles is a statewide concern. The absence of rules implemented to carry out the purpose of these statutes would be contrary to public health, peace, safety, and the welfare of the state of Colorado. For these reasons, it is necessary that these rules, including the amendments proposed, be adopted.