



FATIGUED DRIVING

UNDER CSA 2010

An overly tired driver is a danger to the public. That's why the DOT takes fatigued driving and the hours-of-service rules seriously. Under CSA 2010, you'll be putting your career and company at risk if you drive while fatigued or violate the hours-of-service rules.

EXAMPLES OF FATIGUED DRIVING VIOLATIONS:

- Failing to complete your log
- Exceeding the driving limits
- Driving while fatigued
- Failing to retain your logs for 7 days

What are the BASICS?

The *Behavioral Analysis and Safety Improvement Categories*, or BASICS, are seven categories of safety-related violations on which you and your employer will be graded under CSA 2010. They are: unsafe driving, fatigued driving, driver fitness, drugs/alcohol, vehicle maintenance, cargo loading/securement, and crash history.

DID YOU KNOW?

Violations of the hours-of-service rules were cited almost 740,000 times in 2008, or almost one-third of all traffic enforcement violations recorded that year.

Intervention #2

The targeted roadside inspection

Once a warning letter is issued, targeted roadside inspections are used to verify that the warning letter was taken seriously. The roadside inspector will focus on the safety problems raised in the warning letter.

WHAT IS FATIGUED DRIVING?

Driving a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) while ill, fatigued, or in violation of the hours-of-service rules.

HOW IS FATIGUED DRIVING MEASURED?

Using violations of Parts 392 and 395 as recorded during roadside inspections during the past 3 years.

This is a **stand-alone** BASIC — a failing grade in this BASIC alone could have serious consequences!

HOW WILL FATIGUED DRIVING AFFECT ME?

A history of fatigued driving violations (even if you weren't placed out of service, and even if you switched employers) will affect your safety grade and that of your company. This could lead to contact from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), ranging from a warning letter to a document review to a full-blown audit, or worse. In addition, you *personally* could be fined. The more violations, the higher the BASIC score and the more likely the FMCSA will intervene.

Your grade on this BASIC will be updated every 30 days. When measuring your performance, the FMCSA will consider:

- Violations from the past 36 months — or 24 months for your employer's grade.
- The types of violations committed — some are worse than others (see table).
- The age of the violations — more recent violations bear more weight.
- The number of inspections — the more "clean" inspections the better.

EXAMPLES OF FATIGUED DRIVING VIOLATIONS BY SEVERITY

The higher the severity, the more crash risk and the more your grade on this BASIC will be affected. Being placed out of service increases the severity by 2 points.

VIOLATION	SEVERITY
Operating a CMV while ill or fatigued	10
Violating a fatigue-related out-of-service order	10
Violating any federal or state hours-of-service limits	7
Having a false log	7
Failing to complete a log, or logging improperly	5
Failing to keep log current	5
Failing to retain previous 7 days' logs	5
Violating a log "form & manner" rule	2
Violating an on-board recorder requirement	1

Possible violations under this BASIC: 28 • Number that could affect driver's grade: 27 (average severity = 5.9)



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