

INFORMATION BULLETIN



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CHANGES TO TITLE 13, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 1200, SCOPE, AND SECTION 1234, REQUIRED RECORDS FOR MOTOR CARRIERS

The limited application of Title 13, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Chapter 6.5, Motor Carrier Safety, previously contained in Title 13, CCR, Section 1200(b), has been removed. As a result, motor trucks identified in Section 34500(j) of the California Vehicle Code (CVC), and vehicles transporting hazardous materials in amounts requiring the display of placards or a hazardous materials transportation license (HMTL), are subject to all applicable requirements contained in Title 13, CCR, Chapter 6.5, effective October 1, 2020.

As amended, Title 13, CCR, Section 1200(b)(1), excepts from Chapter 6.5, vehicles primarily used off highway and not requiring registration. Additionally, amended Title 13, CCR, Section 1200(b)(2), excepts vehicles identified in Section 34500(g) CVC, which are not otherwise identified in Sections 34500(a) through (k) CVC, that transport hazardous materials not requiring the display of placards, an HMTL, or registration with the Department of Toxic Substances from all of Chapter 6.5, with the exception of Title 13, CCR, Section 1239, Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria.

Finally, Title 13, CCR, Section 1234, has been amended, adding the requirement for motor carriers to retain and make available for inspection, employment applications of commercial motor vehicle drivers for the length of the driver's employment plus three years, expanding on the requirements of Section 15230 CVC. Employers are not required to recreate employment applications not retained prior to the effective date of the regulation, which is October 1, 2020. If employers have applications retained in their possession prior to October 1, 2020, they are required to provide those applications upon request.

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