

Keeping Employees Safe When Driving Personal Vehicles



Road Safety at Work presenters



Trace Acres Program Director



Angelina Robinson Client Relationship Manager



Gord Woodward

Communications Manager



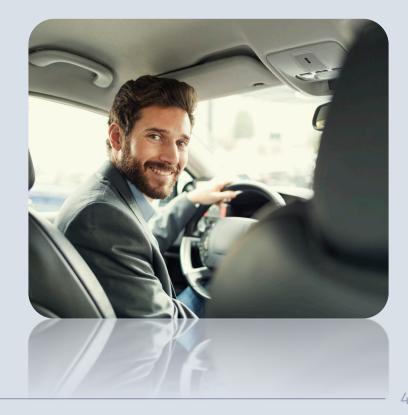
A personal case study





What we'll cover

- Employer responsibilities
- Setting standards
- Vehicle inspections and maintenance
- Qualifying and orienting employees
- Assessing and training employees
- Using journey management
- Supervising employees







Employer responsibilities when employees drive their own vehicle

WorkSafeBC regulations



WORK SAFE BC

Any vehicle used for work is considered a workplace.

WORK SAFE BC

Employers are responsible for the safety of employees when they drive or ride in any vehicle used for work.



How this applies

It's a workplace. Period.

- Ownership of the vehicle doesn't change employer responsibilities
- Full-time, part-time, and occasional driving all count





Recommended resource

Employer Occupational Road Safety Responsibilities Guide

- 2 pages, easy to use
- Lists your responsibilities
- Lists things you can do to comply



Link to resource



Driving on the job is dangerous in BC





WorkSafeBC statistics 2019 through 2023



Setting standards for employee-owned vehicles

Employee vehicle, employer rules

- Owned, leased, rented, or borrowed by employee
- You have the authority (and obligation) to set rules when it's used for work
- Put agreement in place before they drive

Employee and supervisor acknowledgeme	ent
I/we have read and understand the terms and with them. Non-compliance is a serious matter	d conditions of this policy and agree to comply er and may be subject to disciplinary action.
Employee signature	Date
Employee name (print)	
Supervisor or manager signature	Date
Supervisor or manager name (print)	
Vehicle selection criteria Employee-owned vehicles used for <mark>[Organiz</mark>	ation] work must meet the following criteria.
The vehicle:	
1. Must be suitably designed, configured, et	quipped and fit for its intended uses
2. Must satisfy requirements of the Motor V	ehicle Act and other applicable statutes
	For vehicles more than 5 years old, we may gh inspection report from a licensed mechanic
4. Must be equipped with an anti-lock brakin other safety features the organization rec	ng system, electronic stability control, and [add quires].
	that negatively influence vehicle handling bumpers, non-standard wheels or tires, etc.), s on windows) or compromise our image (paint
	or have more than [300,000] km of mileage. The consider the nature and extent of intended at do not meet these criteria



Policy and procedures for employee-owned vehicles





Recommended resource

Using Employee-Owned Vehicles for Work Procedure Template

- Customizable MS Word document
- Review it with employee, have them sign it
- Keep a copy on file



Link to resource





Requirements for inspection and maintenance of employee-owned vehicles

How your organization benefits

Inspections

Maintenance

The most inexpensive, reliable risk reduction strategy



15

Focus on safety, regardless of who owns the vehicle

- Encourage similar standards for company-owned and employee-owned vehicles
- Require regular inspections, maintenance and verify that it's done
- Keep records





Require a basic daily or pre-trip inspection



Exterior: Damage, leaks, tires, windshield and wipers, lights and sensors



Interior: Seat/mirror/steering wheel positions, parking brake, loose objects

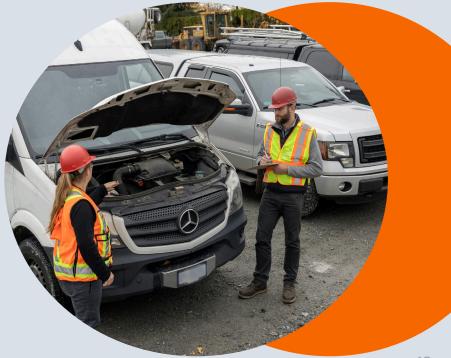


Start the car: Warning icons, fuel level, brakes, lights (head, tail, brake, signals)



Supervising inspections

- Ensure deficiencies are reported
- Do spot checks
- Require a more detailed monthly inspection





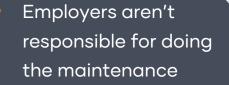
Additional ideas for winter

- 3-peak mountain snowflake tires
- Vehicle emergency kit
- Extra windshield washer fluid





Maintenance for employee vehicles



Employers are
responsible for
ensuring maintenance
is done



20



Supervising maintenance

- Require regular maintenance (manufacturer's recommended service intervals)
- Request and review recordsEnsure deficiencies are corrected



Vehicle inspection and maintenance

Basic Vehicle Inspection and Mileage Log



Vehicle Inspection, Maintenance, and Selection Tool Kit



Link to resource

Link to resource

22



Questions







Qualifying and orienting employees who drive for work

Why you need to do this

- Vehicle is a tool
- Ensuring employees know how to operate it safely
- Training and education is required
- Part of your due diligence





Checking driver qualifications

- Check driver's license and abstract
- Look for expiry date, class, and any restrictions
- Make a copy
- Check every year





Conducting driver orientation

- Do it during onboarding
- Don't make assumptions
- Review driving-related hazards
- Review your policies and procedures
- Document it





Recommended resource

Driver Orientation Checklist

- Fillable PDF
- Review it with employee
- Keep a copy on file







Assessing and training employees who drive their own vehicles

Why this is important

Understanding strengths and limitations helps manage risks

Keep pace with changing driving environment

Replenish perishable driving skills, repair bad habits





Training ensures knowledge, skills, and behaviours



	Driver Assess	ment Form	
Driver Name: Date / Time: Assessor: Scoring 0 - Consistently poor pe	Weather: Route:		Vehicle Type:
2 – Consistently good perf Observation	regular minor errors, inconsistent perform formance, smooth and precise vehicle cont	ance, no caution, poc rol, safe interactions	with traffic
Eye lead time Left to right scanning; shoulder checks Mirrors / tracking traffic Space Management peed Control pering munication ral	so pro drí W	ve for u	: уон .s. e!



Recommended resource

SkillCheck Driver Assessment Tool

- Helps you rate an employee's ability to operate a work vehicle safely
- Tool includes:
 - SkillCheck guide
 - Scoring form
 - 3-part video demo



Link to resource





Using journey management/trip planning

The basics of journey management

Road Safety At Work





Recommended resource

TripCheck

- An interactive checklist that helps drivers and supervisors plan for trips, expose hazards, and reduce risks
- Tool includes:
 - Step-by-step guide
 - Creates a pre-trip report
 - Easy to share with supervisor and check-in contact



Link to resource





Supervising employees who use their own vehicles for work

Meeting the challenge of supervising drivers

- Set example
- Do spot checks
- Assess drivers
- Require reports of near misses





Build road safety culture

- Doing the right thing when no one is watching
- Staff know they are valued
- Consistent road safety communication
- Annual review of policies with drivers





Recommended resource

Driving Toward a Stronger Road Safety Culture

- On-demand webinar
- How culture impacts performance
- What everyone in your organization can do





Questions



40



Contact us with your questions



Angelina Robinson

Client Relationship Manager arobinson@roadsafetyatwork.ca



How can we help you?

Fill out a request online and we'll answer you directly

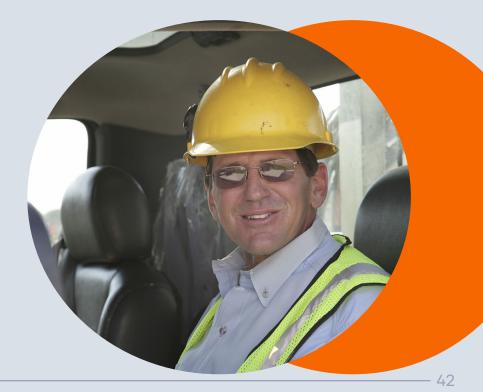
Link to Contact Us page



Visit our website for more tools and resources



RoadSafetyAtWork.ca





Thank you for promoting road safety

