

Penn State Extension is helping produce growers, food processors, and feed manufacturers prepare for new regulatory standards required under the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) of 2011.

The Sanitary Transportation of Human and Animal Food Rule



The rule establishes requirements for shippers, loaders, carriers by motor or rail vehicle, and receivers involved in transporting human and animal food to use sanitary practices to ensure the safety of that food.

The requirements of the rule do not apply to transportation by ship or air because of limitations in the law.



Do not apply

Food Safety Risks



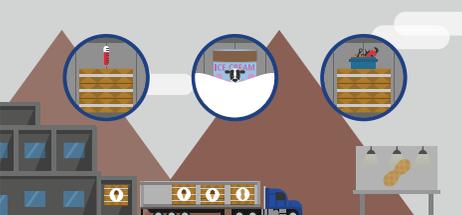
The goal of this rule is to prevent practices during transportation that create food safety risks, such as failure to properly refrigerate food, inadequate cleaning of vehicles between loads, and failure to properly protect the food products.

Specifically, the Sanitary Transportation rule would establish requirements for:

- Vehicles and transportation equipment. The design and maintenance of vehicles and transportation equipment to ensure that it does not cause the food that it transports to become unsafe.



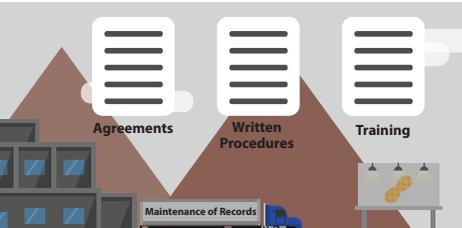
- Transportation operations. The measures taken during transportation to ensure food safety, such as adequate temperature controls, preventing contamination of ready to eat food from touching raw food, protection of food from contamination by non-food items in the same load or previous load, and protection of food from cross-contact.



- Training. Training of carrier personnel in sanitary transportation practices and documentation of the training.



- Records. Maintenance of records of written procedures, agreements and training.



Agreements
Written Procedures
Training
Maintenance of Records

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