

Security Checklist for the Carrier of Hazmat



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Question	Response	Recommendation
Hazmat Transportation and Handling		
1. How are vehicles with hazardous materials secured?		
2. How are unauthorized personnel restricted from the area?		
3. How are untrained personnel restricted from area?		
Training and Personnel		
4. How are your drivers/operators trained?		
5. How are your maintenance people trained?		
6. How are training records kept?		
7. How do you verify that personnel meet all federal requirements for handling and transporting hazmat?		
8. Are personnel trained in inspecting packages and recognizing suspect packages prior to accepting them for shipment?		
9. Are all personnel trained in recognizing and dealing with aberrant behavior?		
10. Are drivers/operators trained in marking, labeling, placarding, and packaging requirements?		
11. Are employee background checks being conducted?		
12. Are background checks periodically reviewed and/or updated? How often?		

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Carrier Safety		
13. Do your operators/drivers carry the proper identification?		
14. What procedure do you have to verify if your operator/driver is authorized to carry hazmat?		
15. How is the equipment checked for safety?		
16. Are security spot checks of personnel and vehicles conducted?		
17. What monitoring and tracking equipment have you added to your fleet?		
18. What procedures are in place for safeguarding hazardous materials during en route breakdowns and/or emergencies.		
Transport		
19. Are local law enforcement familiar with what you carry?		
20. What procedure do you use to review a driver/operator's planned routes, layovers and equipment changes?		
21. How does your driver/operator verify the site is expecting a pickup or delivery?		
22. Is the driver/operator provided with a delivery point-of-contact and contact information?		
23. Do you have a way to contact the driver 24 hours a day?		
24. What procedure do you have to follow-up on the safe arrival of hazmat?		