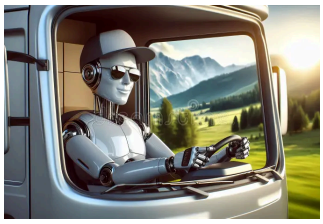
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DMV Adopts Heavy-Duty Autonomous Vehicle Regs



The **California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)** **has announced** the adoption of new Heavy-Duty Autonomous Vehicle regulations. These newly adopted rules remove a previous prohibition, allowing manufacturers to begin testing and deploying driverless trucks. **The regulations take effect immediately.**

Highlights

Heavy-duty AVs must still stop at CHP weigh stations and comply with all applicable state and federal commercial motor vehicle requirements.

Requires manufacturers to begin with testing using a safety driver and progress to driverless testing before applying for commercial deployment. Manufacturers must complete 50,000 miles (light-duty) or 500,000 miles (heavy-duty) of testing at each phase and prepare a structured safety case demonstrating the safety of vehicle hardware, software and operations.

Prohibits approval for testing and deployment of AVs involving trucks transporting hazardous materials, bulk liquids that require a tank endorsement, household goods, or oversized loads.

You can read the full text below:

- **Testing of AVs Regulation**
- **Deployment of AVs Regulation**
- **Final Statement of Reasons**