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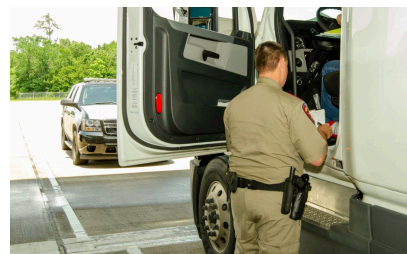
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DMV Puts Non-Domiciled CDL Holders on Notice

According to the **California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)** approximately **15,000 non-domiciled Commercial Driver's License (CDL) holders** have been notified their CDLs will no longer be valid after 60 days and will be revoked.



A non-domiciled CDL will be revoked after 60 days if its expiration date extends beyond the expiration date of the holder's immigration documents, or if those immigration documents have already expired.

Under the Interim Final Rule (IFR), the expiration date on a non-domiciled CDL must be set to expire **before** the expiration date of the CDL holder's immigration documents.

If a non-domiciled CDL holder has valid immigration documents (such as an unexpired I-94 and an H2-A, H2-B, or E-2 visa), the DMV can reissue a new CDL that complies with the **Interim Final Rule (IFR)** requirements.

Please note, the IFR explicitly excludes asylees, asylum seekers, refugees, and DACA recipients from obtaining and renewing a non-domiciled CDL.

In addition to the revocation of the CDL, non-domiciled CDL holders may also have their **basic driver's license** revoked if they do not meet the new eligibility requirements of the IFR. These individuals may be able to apply for a noncommercial driver's license by visiting a DMV office.

If you have any questions, please contact Nick Chiappe at nchiappe@caltrux.org.

Bobby Richardson of Oak Harbor Freight Honored as N. California DOY

Over the weekend **Robert "Bobby" Richardson of Oak Harbor Freight Lines** took home the top honor at **CTA's Northern California Driver of the Month / Driver of the Year (DOM/DOY) Awards Banquet**.



Bobby's decades of professionalism and his commitment to safety on the road are a shining example to all in the trucking business. He was honored alongside dozens of Drivers of the Month Saturday in Sacramento.

CTA's Southern California DOM/DOY Banquet is coming up this Saturday in Ontario. We'll be sharing pictures of all the winners of both events soon on the Caltrux.org website.

Reminder: Bay Area Bridge Toll Increase to Start in 2026

Seven state-owned Bay Area bridges will see a toll increase take effect on January 1, 2026, as approved by the **Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA)** in December 2024. The tolls will increase by \$0.50 per axle per year starting in 2026 through January 1st, 2030.



Starting January 1, 2026, tolls for multi-axle vehicles will increase at varying levels depending on number of axles, with rates increasing each year through 2030. Also, starting January 1, 2027, vehicles that pay tolls via invoices will be charged \$1.00 and vehicles that pay their tolls via license plate accounts will be charged \$0.25 per transaction. These fees will cover the additional costs associated with processing the transactions.

State law requires BATA to keep the bridges in a state of good repair. The additional toll revenue from the toll increase will be used for the maintenance, preservation and operation of the bridges.

For more information on the toll increase and the bridges affected, click the link [here for the BATA Toll Bridge fact sheet](#).



AMC26: CHP Commissioner Confirms

California trucking's largest educational meeting, the **CTA 72nd Annual Membership Conference (AMC26)**, hits Monterey's Cannery Row **January 21 to 23** - that's just over two months away!

This three-day event will mix informative sessions by day and coastal fun by night at the **Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa**.

Commissioner Sean Duryee of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) has just confirmed as yet another keynote guests. We'll have more details to share in the weeks to come with other exciting programming for AMC26.

Enjoy engaging new experiences with all the classic comfort and quality at this iconic oceanfront luxury hotel. With dozens of things to see and do within walking distance this won't only be a business trip, but also an invigorating change of pace. [Click here to register!](#)



While our early registration deadline has passed, there's still a way to save: our **discounted room block rate for AMC26 is \$289 (plus taxes & fees) and expires on January 5th**. [Visit Monterey Plaza Rooms](#) to reserve your room online.



CTA Seeks Sponsors for AMC26

Allied members: are you looking to broaden your brand's reach and trucking industry presence? Consider a sponsorship at AMC26. We've got a wide variety of sponsorships designed for all budgets.

[Visit the AMC26 Registration Page for more information.](#)



Don't Let Winter Storms Drown your Profits

The forecast calls for the wet weather in the coming days. Is your storm water plan up to snuff, or are you about to get soaked?

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The Caltrux Bookshelf: Digital Back Issues

For decades, **CTA's quarterly magazine, Caltrux**, has informed and entertained our members with news and features regarding the transport business, our legislative challenges and wins, and in-depth focus on the movers and shakers of California trucking.

The [Caltrux Bookshelf](#) uses a digital flipbook format to display these magazine issues in high quality, complete with articles and advertisements - identical to what you already receive in the mail.

CVSA to Host Webinar Review Today of Annual Conference & Exhibition

Join the **Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA)** virtually this morning, when staff will go over:



- New and updated inspection bulletins
- Operational policies
- Inspection procedures and standards

The meeting's agenda will also include other important action items approved by the board at the annual conference in September.

Wednesday, November 12
10:00 AM

[Click Here to Register](#)



Join the First Virtual I-580 Truck Access Study Community Meeting

Wednesday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.

Join us via Zoom on Wednesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. for the first Community Meeting of the I-580 Truck Access Study. This meeting is your opportunity to learn more about the study, ask questions, and share your experiences traveling on and living near the I-580 and I-880 corridors.

Interpretation in Spanish and Chinese will be available.

Meeting Information
us06web.zoom.us/j/86865964833
Dial-in: (669) 900-6833
Meeting ID: 868 6596 4833



For questions, contact the project team at bayareafreight@dot.ca.gov.
For more information, visit the Caltrans I-580 Truck Access Study engagement portal: publicinput.com/04580tas



Sailing Through Your BIT

DATE

November 20, 2025

LAST BIT WEBINAR OF THE YEAR!

TIME

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PRESENTERS

Jay Johnson & Paul Morris

We're keeping this webinar interactive! Stick around to the end and join us for an open discussion with our panel.

This is CTA's most popular and comprehensive webinar. It provides an in-depth understanding of the requirements set forth by California's Basic Inspection of Terminal (BIT) Program. The program is implemented by the California Highway Patrol Motor Carrier Safety Operations Program personnel. The course material will thoroughly cover the statutory and regulatory requirements of the BIT Program and key differences from DOT regulations.

Register now!
Click here!



The following topics will be discussed in the webinar:

- Maintenance Program, including Preventive Maintenance and proper documentation.
- Driver Records, including Hours of Service, Driver Proficiency, and Employer Pull Notice.
- Inspection of Vehicles, including 90-day Periodic Inspections.
- Regulations for the transportation of Hazardous Materials, items needed during an inspection.

Attendees will be provided a "BIT Kit." This is a 700+ page reference guide containing essential forms & reference materials so you can sail through your next BIT inspection!



AB 692 COMPLIANCE WEBINAR

Assembly Bill 692 takes effect on **January 1, 2026** and introduces new prohibitions on employment contracts for workers under California law.

Hiring practices, employment contract templates, bonuses and training cost arrangements must all be re-examined to ensure compliance before the New Year.

In this Zoom webinar, presenter **Robert Rogison** of the law firm **Ogletree Deakins** will outline the practical impacts of this new law.

CTA members need to know about these changes to **remain compliant, protect their business, and keep employment contracts and bonus policies legally sound** in 2026 and beyond.



Featured Presenter:
Robert Rogison

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REGISTER TODAY!

<https://bit.ly/49D4yqq>
(or scan the QR code)

Tuesday, December 2
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Location: Zoom

Questions?
Contact Nick Chiappe
at nchiappe@caltrux.org

EVENTS

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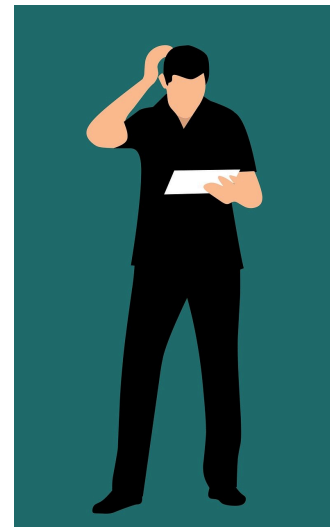
Remember to use the "Help Desk Online Contact Form" when you have a compliance or regulatory question on an issue.

The CTA Help Desk Online Contact Form is an exclusive member benefit designed to help with assisting various questions including:

- Driver qualification rules
- Drug testing questions
- Federal and California motor carrier safety regulations
- Log book/Hours-of-service regulations
- Vehicle load & securement rules
- Environmental regulations
- Hazardous materials regulations

Visit www.caltrux.org/compliance-help-desk/, or email helpdesk@caltrux.org.

Please be sure to include as much detail and information as possible. CTA's Government Affairs team will do their best to get back to you in timely manner.



Contact the Help Desk

DRIVER SAFETY EDUCATION

Brush Up on Safety Issues With TREDS

CTA is partnered with UC San Diego's [Transportation Research and Education for Driving Safety Center \(TREDS\)](#) to prevent crash-related morbidity and mortality by improving safe driving behaviors.

TREDS offers two courses aimed at preventing commercial motor vehicle-involved crashes from distracted and substance-impaired driving. They partner with the CTA to make courses available to the commercial motor vehicle industry.

Courses are approximately 60-minutes in length and available in both English and Spanish.



Courses focus on distraction related to the use of cell phones and electronic devices and...

Scope of the problem
Risk & consequences
Rules & regulations



Courses focus on substances most commonly reported to the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse and...

Scope of the problem
Contributing factors
Risks & consequences

Distracted, fatigued & drowsy driving
Work zone safety

Laws & testing procedures
Strategies to drive-drug free

[Learn More](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 15 - [Southern Driver of the Month/Year Awards Banquet](#)

November 20 - [Virtual Seminar: Sailing Through Your BIT](#)

November 20 - [Webinar: The Truth About Security Guards: Are They Worth the Investment?](#)

[Upcoming events can be accessed via CTA's Events Calendar](#)

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