**ACCIDENTS**

When heavy vehicles are involved in an accident, the damage is greater, and more lives are potentially at risk. The number of accidents involving heavy vehicles rose from 839 in 2014 to 877 in 2015.

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**TOP 3 VIOLATIONS**

- **Speeding**: Fine up to $200 and up to 24 demerit points
- **Red-running**: Fine of $230 and 12 demerit points
- **Failing to obey traffic indicating sign**: Fine of $100

The top 3 violations committed by heavy vehicles remain key areas of concern. Speeding and red-running carry high penalties as they are more likely to result in serious injury or fatal accidents.

**EMPLOYERS HAVE A PART TO PLAY**

- As an employer, you are responsible for the safety of your drivers and other road users.
- To safeguard your drivers and other road users, have in place the elements on the right.

**CHECKLIST**

- Conduct RA to identify/evaluate the hazards/risks exposed to the drivers; including any potential adverse behaviour as a result of remuneration practices, e.g. pay-per-trip
- Develop risk control measures (including SWP) to address/mitigate the identified hazards/risks in the RA
- Ensure that the driver is trained and competent to drive the specific type of vehicle assigned
- Send the driver for defensive driving course/refresher course to enhance/refresh his driving, if necessary
- Encourage drivers to maintain good driving records (no demerit points)
- Implement a regime for the maintenance of all vehicles in accordance to the manufacturers’ recommendations, so as to ensure its road worthiness e.g. daily pre-operation checks, periodic servicing, mandatory inspection, etc
- Implement a system to manage the fleet of vehicles e.g. GPS tracking system, speed monitoring system, etc
- Ensure that speed limiters on heavy vehicles are functioning

**WORK & REST**

- Employers must provide drivers who work for 6 consecutive hours a period of leisure/break.
- Provide at least 1 rest day per work week.

**LET’S COME TOGETHER**

The success of building a safe road culture relies on everyone. Both drivers and management play a part in making the roads safer for all.

For more road safety resources & advisories, please visit the “Road Safety Tips for Heavy Vehicle Drivers” @ the SPF website (www.police.gov.sg).

For resources related to risk management, fatigue management & traffic safety management, please visit the WSH Council website (www.wshc.gov.sg).

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