

# RESPECT THE RIG



## BY THE #S

Trucks carry

**64%**

of all U.S. Freight

In 2018, FMCSA found that

**555,000**

vehicle crashes involved at least one large truck or bus.

<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safety/data-and-statistics/commercial-motor-vehicle-facts>



**40 TONS**



**30 TONS**



**2 TONS**

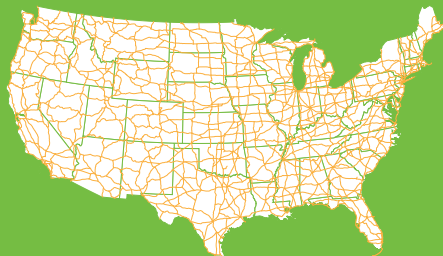


**.075 TONS**

FMCSA cites, there are over

**3.2 billion**

vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by all motor vehicles (trucks and buses)



## RULES OF THE ROAD

From expert truck drivers, here are the top rules of the road to keep everyone safe.

1. STAY OUT OF THE NO ZONES
2. PASS SAFELY ON THE LEFT
3. DON'T CUT IT CLOSE
4. STAY BACK
5. ANTICIPATE WIDE TURNS

## RISKS

### ROLL-OVERS

Rigs are at greater risk for rolling over because of their size and weight. Rigs could roll over for being too top heavy, high winds, or taking a curve too quickly.



### WIDE TURNS

Trucks make wider turns to avoid hitting the curb, light poles, or anything else by the road. In order to do this, they usually leave a wide space to the left/right of the truck. Do not pull into this space or you could end up wedged between the two with a crushed car.



### NO ZONES

Every car has blindspots, but semi-trucks have even bigger ones! Be Aware of the No Zones. If driving around a truck or bus, pass quickly on the left. Be careful not to walk or ride your bikes in these NO ZONES, even if the truck or bus is parked.

Cutting in front of a truck puts you in a dangerous NO ZONE.

Move ahead or behind this NO ZONE so the driver will see you.

You have limited vision in this NO ZONE, and may need to stop suddenly to avoid debris in the road.

If you can't see the driver in the truck's mirrors, the driver can't see you. The right side is the most dangerous NO ZONE.

### HAZARDS

Trucks often transport dangerous materials on our roadways. Watch for warning placards on trucks and always be patient and give them extra room.

