Cell Phone Usage Safety Topic



This section addresses cell phone usage in the workplace and notably in fleet vehicles or driving situations.

While the utilization of cell phones in the workplace has increased productivity by allowing employees to remain in constant communication, it has also raised several issues among them is safety. This is true especially in the case of cell phone usage while driving a fleet or company vehicle. Recent studies suggest that as much as half of all cell phone usage is done while operating a vehicle. As an employer liability issues can arise if a car accident should happen while an employee was on a work-related phone call.

Cell phone usage laws differ from state to state. Some state and local laws prohibit talking on a cell phone without the use of a headset (allowing both hands to still remain on the wheel). A written company policy regarding cell phone usage should be…