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Welcome to the December 2014 edition of **TIRES** e-news, a periodic newsletter brought to you by the health and safety experts of [KeepTruckingSafe.org](http://KeepTruckingSafe.org).

## New this month



### What's your reason for working safely?

Hopefully most people enjoy their jobs at least a little. But usually our work supports our personal lives, allowing us to do the things we enjoy and care for the people we love. This safety poster reminds workers to work safely so they can enjoy their personal lives to the fullest. [Click here to download the poster \(526 KB PDF\)](#). Print on letter sized or 11x17 sized paper.



### Hand over your keys

Imagine you are a forklift driver loading or unloading a trailer. Now imagine that as you are using your forklift inside the trailer, you feel the truck start and begin to move away from the dock. Horrifying right? Prevent a similar occurrence at your company by requiring that truck drivers hand their keys over to the forklift driver. [Click here for more tips \(156 KB PDF\)](#).

### Have you been good this year?

Santa's back to remind everyone to be good and safe at work.

[Prevent slips](#)



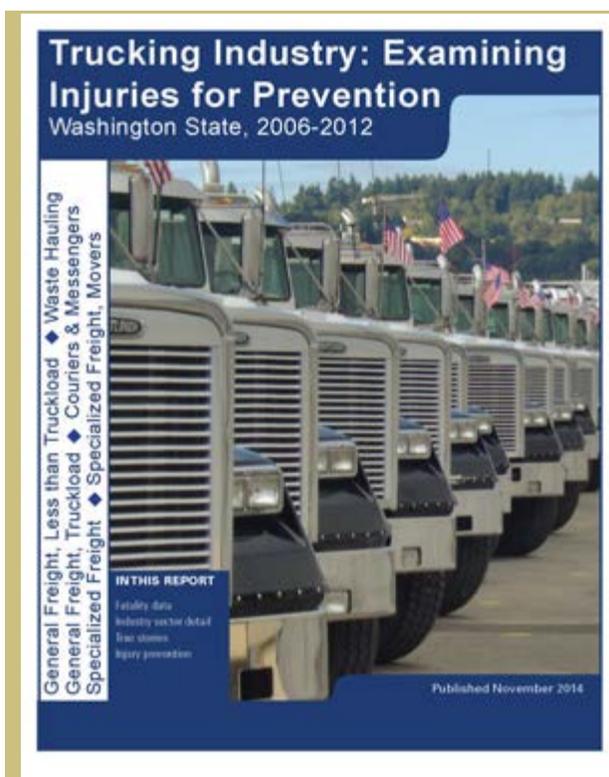
## Tarping



## New Report: Trucking Industry, Examining Injuries for Prevention

This report analyzes data from the Washington State workers' compensation fund over the years 2006-2012 to target injury prevention activities where they will be the most effective.

[Click here to download the entire report](#) (6.8 MB)



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## Worth repeating

Featuring previously published training materials that are...worth repeating!

### Incident investigation

[How to investigate an incident](#) (263 KB)

[Incident investigation checklist](#) (201 KB)

### Severe weather

[A truck driver's winter survival kit](#) (301 KB)

[Click here to link to more tools.](#)

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## Training simulation tools

### Ladder safety

Visual learners will take away more from a simulation. This one is based on the true story of a tanker driver injured in a fall, but will apply to many ladder climbing situations. [Click here to begin.](#)



### Fatal crush: Based on the true story of a driver killed on the job

A Washington State truck driver was killed on the job a few years ago.

This simulation discusses what happened. Review it with your workers to help prevent similar occurrences. [Click here for simulation.](#)

True story with tips: [Fatal crush](#) (157KB).

### **Novice vs. Professional**

Two drivers chaining. Can you spot the differences? [Click here to try the simulation.](#)

### **Compare the force of lever and ratchet binders**

Compare the body forces needed to use a lever ratchet or binder ratchet to strap a load. [Click here to try the simulation.](#)

### **Test your tarping skills**

Explore strategies for [Click here to try the simulation on safer tarping.](#)

### **Choose your footwear wisely**

Slips, trips and falls cause many injuries in the trucking industry. Test your safety knowledge with the [Click here to try the friction simulation tool.](#)

### **Force simulation tool**

Does it really matter if you jump or use 3 points-of-contact when you exit the cab or trailer? Find out with our force-simulator. Use it as a training tool. [Click here to try the force simulation tool.](#)

### **Need ideas?**

Check out the TIRES idea bank for solutions to common trucking issues. Got solutions? This is a work in progress so send us your ideas. Click for [TIRES Idea Bank](#). Click to send us your solutions at [info@KeepTruckingSafe.org](mailto:info@KeepTruckingSafe.org).

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[Si tiene que moverlo manualmente — Organize y coloque objetos pesados a una altura de fácil acceso. \(223 KB\)](#)

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## Upcoming events

[Click here to check out upcoming events in trucking.](#) Let us know if you have a trucking industry related safety or health event that you'd like to add to the page.

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To learn more about the TIRES initiative, or to find more information about injuries in the trucking industry please visit us at, [www.KeepTruckingSafe.org](http://www.KeepTruckingSafe.org).

The Trucking Injury Reduction Emphasis (TIRES) project was developed by the Safety and Health Assessment and Research for Prevention (SHARP) program of Washington's Department of Labor and Industries.

The Trucking Injury Reduction Emphasis (TIRES) project team and the TIRES steering committee are working with the Washington State trucking industry to identify causes for the most frequent injuries to develop effective strategies for preventing them.

The TIRES steering committee is made up of a diverse group of professionals that includes: drivers, safety people from large and small trucking companies, labor and business associations, insurers and a representative from a publicly funded truck driving school.

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