

agency Proposes To Limit Crashes
caused by Shifting, Falling Cargo

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Dear Sir:

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I agree this is a hazard
in the state & City I live in &
also other areas. My concern
is the (junk car hauling)

It seems they can smash car
flat in a junk yard & then
haul them over our roads & no
parts will fall off. These
haulers need to have a net to

Come the total load, I have seen a
lot of parts flying off their loads & all
glass maybe our states would not have
extra trash if they netted these & look at
damage to our tired cars because of these
company hauling junk cars. This is my
view about you & we need help with.

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The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration issued a notice of proposed rulemaking to revise regulations concerning protection against shifting and falling of cargo on commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) engaged in interstate commerce. This rulemaking is intended to reduce the number of crashes caused by cargo shifting on or within, falling from, CMVs and to harmonize U.S., Canadian, and Mexican cargo securement regulations, according to the Dec. 18 *Federal Register*. The new cargo securement standards are based on the North American Cargo Securement Standard Model Regulations. They reflect the results of a multiyear research program to evaluate current U.S. and Canadian cargo securement regulations; the motor carrier industry's best practices; and recommendations from U.S. and Canadian industry experts, federal, state, and provincial government officials, and other interested parties. In general, the proposed revision would require motor carriers to change the way they use cargo securement devices to prevent certain articles from shifting on or within, or falling from, CMVs. In some cases, motor carriers would be required to increase the number of tiedown devices used to secure certain types of cargoes. Send comments by March 19 to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh St. SW, Washington, DC 20590. For additional information, call Larry Minor, CSA Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Options, (202) 366-1790.