

# Safety Alert

## Contract Truck Drivers

Since 2020, there have been 129 accidents involving contract truck drivers. These accidents have resulted in five fatalities and 99 lost time injuries.



### Best Practices

- **Maintain control while operating mobile equipment.** Never exceed a vehicle's design capabilities, operating ranges, load limits, and safety features.
- **Establish a site-specific traffic plan** to include traffic routes, speed limits, and access points. Train miners to follow all traffic controls.
- **Always wear seatbelts** when operating mobile equipment.
- **Never exit a moving vehicle.** Remain in the seat with your seat belt secured.
- **Conduct pre-operational examinations** to identify and repair defects that may affect the safe operation of equipment before placing equipment into service.
- **Maintain the equipment's braking systems.** Perform repairs and adjustments when necessary and follow the manufacturer's recommendations. Do not exceed the manufacturer's load limits.

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