The Mountain Rules

Keeping Commercial Drivers Safe in Colorado's Mountains

About The Campaign

The Colorado Department of Transportation, in partnership with the Colorado State Patrol and the Colorado Motor Carriers Association, have a shared goal to help enhance safety for commercial drivers traveling through the state's mountainous areas.

Colorado's high elevation and steep terrain make mountain driving especially challenging for commercial drivers and increase the risk of brake failure. Additionally, Colorado's ever-changing weather and natural hazards like rockfalls, avalanches and floods can add to the dangers haulers may face while traveling along the I-70 Mountain Corridor. Thus, the Mountain Rules was born.

The Video Series





To watch the full video series, visit bit.ly/mountainrulesvideos.

The Mountain Rules video series provides safety tips, guidelines and information about Colorado's laws for CMV operators driving through Colorado's high country. Drivers can learn about sudden weather changes, challenging driving conditions, chain law requirements, driving etiquette and how to best prepare for traveling over mountain passes.

Campaign Goals

In addition to an educational effort, The Mountain Rules consists of infrastructure and informational improvements, including:



Improved Signage



Safer Infrastructure



In-Cab Alerts



Freight Planning Studies

Why It Matters

This is a strategic and safety-focused program to inform in-state and interstate trucking companies and drivers about the challenges of driving in Colorado's mountains.

Our goal is to prevent hazards, build resources and help every driver whose passing through Colorado be slow, steady and safe for the long haul.

Slow, Steady, Safe For The Long Haul

To learn more about the Mountain Rules campaign, visit freight.colorado.gov/mountain-rules.







