

Westwood Shipping Lines Safety Guidelines and Requirements

At Westwood Shipping Lines, safety is our #1 priority. We maintain a high level of transportation safety by only employing carriers that demonstrate safe performance. To this end Westwood monitors the Department of Transportation’s safety measures including the FMCSA Safety Measurement System (SMS) scores and safer ratings.

The following DOT ratings must be met by Westwood carriers:

- Carrier’s Safety rating must be **Satisfactory** or **None**.
- Carrier’s Out of Service Percentages must be less than **33%** for vehicles, **10%** for drivers.
- USDOT’s Safer Website has made some changes to SMS Results scoring. It no longer displays the percentage, it only shows if the carrier is over the standard threshold.
- Carrier’s BASIC scores must be less than or equal to the below thresholds:

Intervention Thresholds by Motor Carrier Type		
BASIC	General	Hazardous Materials (HM) Carrier
Unsafe Driving	≥65%	≥60%
Fatigued Driving (Hours-of-Service)	65%	60%
Driver Fitness	80%	75%
Controlled Substances and Alcohol	80%	75%
Vehicle Maintenance	80%	75%
Cargo-Related	80%	75%
Crash Indicator	65%	60%

This data is available through the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration “Safer” website at the following link: <https://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov/CompanySnapshot.aspx>

If you have any questions regarding our policy or the steps we are taking with respect to carrier safety ratings, please feel free to contact us by the following: wsltruckteam@wsl.com.

Sincerely,
Westwood Shipping Lines