# **Protecting Our Workers on the Road**



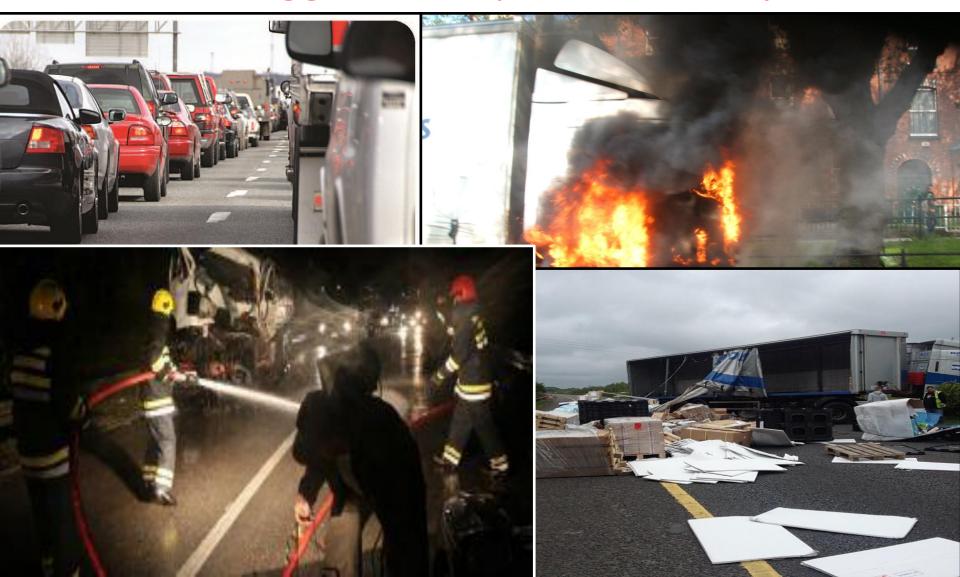






# **Work Related Vehicle Safety**

"Ireland's biggest occupational safety issue"



## Vehicle Related Injuries at Work



People being struck by vehicles



**Road Collisions** 



People falling from vehicles



Vehicle impact & overturning



Loads falling from vehicles

## Size Of The Problem

42%

203[457]

1/3

Almost half of all reported workplace deaths involve a vehicle

Work related vehicle deaths 2003-2010

Of all road collisions involve a vehicle used for work!

#### **Work Related Road Collisions**

[RSA Road collision data 1996-2010]



Cars

4413 [Fatal]

14638 [Serious]

99062 [Minor]



Vans

**511** 

**1513** 

9492



Trucks

846

**1563** 

6284

## **WRRS Strategic Priorities**



Raise awareness of and promote accreditation to New International Standard for Road Safety Management for Employers. ISO 39001:2012. To assist and guide employers in SMEs, large-sized companies and public authorities in road safety management.



Develop **Driving for Work e-learning** programme, based on current guidelines aimed at small businesses



**Develop guidance for Government Departments/agencies** and semi state bodies on implementation of work related road safety management practices

- Develop guidance on grey fleet management and assist in development of guidance for specific government related fleet on a prioritised basis based on road collision and related vehicle incident evidence.
  - Government officials driving own vehicles for work purposes
  - Local Authorities
- Healthcare sector [patient transport]

## WRRS Strategic Priorities



Develop guidance for employers on 'Fitness to Drive'

Develop guidance for employers on management of work practices for drivers to prevent ill-health



Engage with large Government Fleet managers to assist them in developing specific guidance on Driving for Work activities.

e.g. Patient transport in Healthcare Sector



Develop guidance for employers on management of specific WRRS risks

## **Employer Sphere of influence**



## **Employer Duty**

Make sure that: the RISKS which employees face and create for themselves and others, while on the road, **DRIVING** or WORKING, as part of their job, are managed, within the framework which they already should have in place, for managing all other aspects of safety, health and welfare at work"



## **Safer Driving for Work**

"Systems Approach"

- Vehicle
- Driver
- Journey

#### **Driver Management**

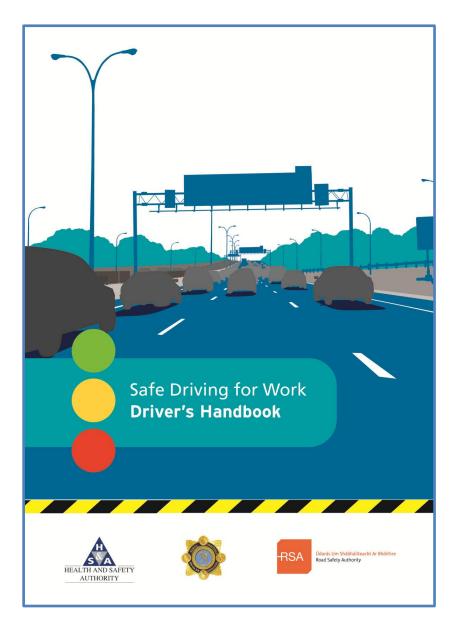
- Selection
- Fitness to Drive
  - Health
  - Fatigue
  - Intoxicants
  - Medicines
- Managing Speed
- Managing Distraction
- Use of safety equipment







### **Driver Handbook**



- Resource for drivers
- Covers main risks
- Helps understanding of risk
- Legal duties
- Safety tips
- Enables safer choices
- Leads to safer driver behaviour

# **Engage With Workers!**



### **Thank You**

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