

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
TRANSPORTATION RULEBOOK
CHAPTER 5 – SAFETY OPERATIONS REVIEWS**

5-1 Scope of Rules in this subchapter.

The provisions of this Chapter apply to motor carriers of property or passengers and other persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Department.

5-2 Safety Operations Reviews.

(a) *Purpose and scope.* The Commissioner or his designated employees are authorized to conduct Safety Operations Reviews of motor carriers under its jurisdiction for the purpose of determining compliance with the laws, rules, regulations, and orders of the Department, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, or the Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration and are authorized to enter upon, inspect, and examine any and all lands, buildings, and equipment of motor carriers and other persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Department, and to inspect and copy any and all accounts, books, records, memoranda, correspondence, and other documents of such carriers and other persons.

(b) *Examination of records.* Motor Carriers and other persons subject to the jurisdiction of Department shall submit their accounts, books, records, memoranda, correspondence, and other documents for inspection and copying, and shall submit their lands, buildings, and equipment for examination and inspection. Upon request, display of a Department issued credential identifying him/her as a Commissioner or staff member shall be made. If a motor carrier uses photographic, microfilm, or electronic record keeping technology, it shall make such records available in accordance with Section 1-390.31 of the Department's rules.

(c) *Joint investigations and sharing of records.* The Department and their staff members are authorized to conduct joint investigations and reviews of motor carriers and other persons with officials of the United States Department of Transportation and their administrations for the purpose of determining compliance with State or Federal laws, rules, regulations, and orders pertaining to motor carrier operations and the transportation of hazardous materials. Consistent with 49 C.F.R. Part 388, the Department and its staff shall exchange information with the United States Department of Transportation that comes to their attention that is believed to indicate a violation of any provision of the safety or hazardous material laws, rules, regulations, or orders of the United States Department of Transportation.