

# STEELHORSE



## SAFETY NEWSLETTER

November 2019

### DRIVER OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER

PRAMODH KUMAR #235

Congratulations to Pramodh, who has been selected as the Driver of the Month for October! Pramodh has been with Steelhorse since March 2017. During this time Pramodh has maintained a clean safety record, and consistently passed inspections. Pramodh is always willing to go the extra mile whether it be helping other drivers, servicing customers or meeting delivery requirements. Pramodh has proven to be reliable, hardworking, and an asset to the Steelhorse Fleet!



### WINTER DRIVING

Winter is a beautiful time of the year with all the festivities and family gatherings but it sure isn't a beautiful time for driving; as it presents many challenges. Experienced drivers know that besides taking additional safety precautions such as reducing speed and increasing following distance; making sure the vehicle is in top condition is a must. In case of break down the consequences can be very dire.

Drivers should always keep a first aid kit handy, blankets, food, and water.

Some tips to make sure your tractor won't fail you:

- Perform a thorough Pre-Trip
- Check your batteries
- Make sure your Winter front is available and accessible
- Always plug your tractor in when parking, and unplug your fridge
- Check your cooling system, purchase antifreeze.
- Fuel tank – Keep your diesel tanks close to full \*\*\* Make sure you use Winter fuel at all times during the winter. \*\*\*
- Tire Chains – make sure you carry the amount of chains required by law (depending on each state)
- Don't ignore any alerts on the truck.
- Plan your route, listen to the weather channel, this is of the utmost importance.



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*“For Safety is not a gadget but a state of mind”*  
*Eleanor Everet*

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## CARRIER & SMS PROFILE

We at Steelhorse are very Happy to announce that our Carrier Profile has gone down from 0.656 to 0.556. A large part of our fleet continues to prove how hard they work in remaining compliant, and exercising due diligence in all safety areas. In October we did have 2 Out of Service Infractions and 2 Required attentions. Both of the Out of Service infractions were due to Cargo securement. Please no matter the weather or delivery deadlines, cargo securement needs to be taken seriously and not rushed at any time. Please make sure you triple check your securement before travelling and when in doubt call your dispatch or safety team for direction.

## C-TPAT



Steelhorse Freight Services are now part of the C-TPAT (Customs- Trade Partnership Against Terrorism) and FAST (Free and Secure Trade) programs. We are required to adopt and maintain certain processes and procedures to meet our obligations in these programs to secure the supply chain. Each Driver will be sent an online course via “Carriers Edge” and will be required to complete this course before the end of November 2019. This is exciting news and will open up channels of business with customers we haven't reached before.

## STEELHORSE FREIGHT CHRISTMAS PARTY



Steelhorse Freight's Annual Family Christmas Party will be held on December 6, 2019. This will be hosted again by Carlson's on Macleod (in High River). The doors open at 5:15pm. There will be festivities for the children upon arriving along with the annual Santa Clause Parade that will start at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to Megan – [megan@steelhorsefreight.com](mailto:megan@steelhorsefreight.com) before November 22, 2019. Please make sure you advise of any Children coming and their ages! ~ Happy Holidays! ~

## DRIVER SCORE CARD



The Driver Score Card will be in full effect by December 1, 2019. Please make sure you review your score card and ask any questions or raise any concerns you might have before the end of November. Thank you for everyone's cooperation in making this the best Fleet out there!