



INTERNATIONAL
TRANSPORT
WORKERS'
FEDERATION

SAFE

RATES

SAVE LIVES

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR GOOD JOBS AND SAFE ROADS

HIGHER PAY REDUCES CRASHES

Fair pay in road transport:

- leads to fewer crashes
- improves road safety
- can make our industry more sustainable

**STUDIES SHOW THAT A 10% PAY INCREASE
CAN REDUCE CRASHES UP TO 30%**

SAFE RATES ARE THE ANSWER

We all want to go home safely at the end of a full day at work.

As road transport workers, we face severe pressure to drive for long hours, work while fatigued, speed, and overload our vehicles. It doesn't matter which company you work for, or if you are an employee or owner driver. The pressures we experience start at the top with low-cost tendering practices and unreasonable demands made by the big companies that contract for road transport services to deliver their goods. Economic pressures are passed down from these big client companies to transport companies and on to us, making dangerous on-road practices unavoidable, and putting all road users at risk.

Safe Rates can put an end to these unsustainable business practices and guarantee fair pay and conditions for drivers and safe roads for everyone.

WHAT DO SAFE RATES MEAN FOR ME?

Safe Rates can be guaranteed through union agreements with transport operators and their clients, or in legal regulatory systems which:

- Set standards for pay and conditions that are fair and equal for all drivers
- Hold all supply chain parties accountable, including the companies at the top
- Involve unions in the process of setting, monitoring, and enforcing standards

For a driver, a 'safe rate' means you are paid fairly for all your labour time and make enough money to drive safely and support your family.

If you own your vehicle, a safe rate must be calculated to ensure that you can cover the costs of purchasing, maintaining, and operating it.

For transport operators, safe rates mean contract prices that make it possible to guarantee fair and safe standards for all drivers. In other words, a fair price is paid for transport.

INTERNATIONALLY PROVEN

Safe Rates systems have improved the lives of road transport workers and their families, strengthened road safety, and made road transport more sustainable in countries around the world including Canada, Brazil, Australia, and South Korea.

Safe Rates in the Australian state of New South Wales have saved over 205 lives that would have been lost in truck crashes.

After 2 years of implementing Safe Rates in South Korea, driver experience of dozing at the wheel decreased by over 60%.

JOIN THE GLOBAL CAMPAIGN FOR SAFE RATES

Let's fight together for safe and fair standards, safe roads, and a sustainable road transport industry.

Around the world, drivers are calling for:

- Government protection for safe rates
- A fair price for transport that ensures drivers can be paid fairly
- Clearly written contracts for all workers, so that safe rates can be monitored and enforced
- Penalties on companies who violate safe rates, including those at the top
- The right to be represented by a trade union and have your voice heard
- Government and company respect for international labour standards related to safe rates.



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