Motor Vehicle Safety (Loose Cargo) Picture This



What’s wrong in this picture? There is a scene where a truck just dropped a cargo on the street as a result of negligent and unsafe procedures or devices.

The new rules require motor carriers to change the way they use cargo securement devices to prevent articles from shifting on or within, or falling from commercial motor vehicles. The changes may require motor carriers to increase the number of tiedowns used to secure certain types of cargo. However, the rule generally does not prohibit the use of tiedowns or cargo securement devices currently in use. Therefore, motor carriers are not required to purchase new cargo securement equipment or vehicles to comply with the rule. The intent of the new requirements is to reduce the number of accidents caused by cargo shifting on or within, or falling from, commercial motor vehicles operating in interstate commerce, and to harmonize to the greatest extent practicable

U.S., Canadian, and Mexican cargo securement regulations.