

Do You Know the TDG Directorate's Role in Transporting Dangerous Goods?

Get a handle on the TDG Directorate's role, and how it impacts you and your transport, so you can drive, fly, or ship more easily!

The TDG Directorate

The TDG Directorate is a department of Transport Canada that serves as the major source of:

- Regulatory development
- Information and guidance on dangerous goods transport for the public, industry, and government employees

It's main goal and mission is to promote public safety during the transportation of dangerous goods.

Rulemaking

Monitoring

Outreach

Rulemaking

The directorate makes and enforces the rules that keep you and your dangerous goods safe on the road, in the air, or at sea.

The TDG Directorate is responsible for:

- Identifying threats to public safety
- Enforcing the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, 1992 (TDG Act) and its regulations by creating and implementing laws, regulations, standards, and policies as required by the TDG Act
- Managing the administration, development and amendment of the TDG Act and its regulations

Monitoring

The directorate monitors incidents, conducts inspections, and researches innovations to improve TDG methods.

Monitoring includes:

- Guiding emergency response and limiting the impact of incidents involving the transportation of dangerous goods
- Developing policy
- Conducting research to enhance safety
- Conducting national inspections and enforcing compliance

Outreach

The directorate communicates information widely to enhance public safety awareness to all of their stakeholders - including you!

Outreach activities get information to the stakeholders by:

- Guiding emergency response and limiting the impact of incidents involving the transportation of dangerous goods
- Developing policy
- Conducting research to enhance safety
- Conducting national inspections and enforcing compliance

For resources, outreach material, incident trends, and guidance on legislation, contact the TDG Directorate.

References:

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