



National Safety Council

Position/Policy Statement

Confirmation of Positive Drug Screen Results in Transportation Safety Cases

The National Safety Council and its Committee on Alcohol and Other Drugs strongly recommends that all presumptive positive drug screen results in samples obtained following transportation accidents be confirmed by an alternate analytical method prior to issuing a report. The practice of reporting presumptive positive results in these cases should be abolished. The transportation accident cases that are being referred to result from city, county, state or municipality enforcement entities requiring drug screens on drivers of cars, vans and non CDL regulated trucks who are involved in traffic related crashes. These drivers could be alive, injured or dead when the tests are administered.

This position statement reflects the opinions of the National Safety Council but not necessarily those of each member organization.

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