

SUBJECT: State laws requiring back-up cameras on vehicles of 10,000 lbs GVW, or less, are not applicable to spreaders from Meyer, Swenson, or Aebi-Schmidt and no additional back-up cameras are needed.

Newly implemented Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 111 (FMVSS111) requires any vehicle that is 10,000 GVW or less to have a back-up camera that provides the driver an adequate field of vision. This can be accomplished with an existing camera and/or by adding an additional camera.

FMVSS111 has raised questions within the truck equipment trade about spreaders that block or in some way hinder the camera's field of vision. FMVSS111 states that any additional equipment that can be installed and/or removed by the owner or end user, without permanent body changes, are exempt.

FMVSS111 does not pertain to tailgate, insert, or receiver-hitch mounted spreaders on trucks 10,000 GVW or under as these spreaders are used seasonally and are not permanent installations. This includes 2" receiver, tailgate, and insert spreaders, both strapped-down and bolted-in installations. Insert spreaders mounted on vehicles over 10,000 GVW are not affected by FMVSS111.

It is the responsibility of the vehicle operator to ensure all safety standards are met while using the vehicle and spreader. The operator, dealer, or installer may choose to relocate or install a camera based on the operator's discretion.

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