§1952. Flares; emergency signals

1. Flares or bidirectional emergency reflective triangles. Except as provided in subsection 1-A, a truck or truck tractor with a registration for operation with gross vehicle weight in excess of 10,000 pounds must be equipped with 3 flares or 3 bidirectional emergency reflective triangles.
[PL 2025, c. 547, §1 (AMD).]

1-A. Flares prohibited. A vehicle transporting inflammable liquids or gas in bulk may not carry flares.
[PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. Q, §26 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF).]

2. Disabled vehicle. When a truck or truck tractor with a registration for operation with gross vehicle weight in excess of 10,000 pounds is disabled on a public way, the operator shall place emergency signals as follows:

A. One flare or bidirectional emergency reflective triangle in the center of the lane of traffic occupied by the disabled motor vehicle not less than 100 feet from the vehicle in the direction of traffic approaching in that lane; [PL 2025, c. 547, §2 (AMD).]

B. One flare or bidirectional emergency reflective triangle not less than 100 feet from the vehicle in the center of the same lane in the opposite direction; and [PL 2025, c. 547, §2 (AMD).]

C. One flare or bidirectional emergency reflective triangle at the traffic side of the vehicle not closer than 10 feet from the front or rear. [PL 2025, c. 547, §2 (AMD).]
[PL 2025, c. 547, §2 (AMD).]

As used in this section, "bidirectional emergency reflective triangle" means an emergency warning device that meets the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.125. [PL 2025, c. 547, §3 (NEW).]

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