

Press Release

Fleetcraft Driver Training

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The Fleet Safety department at Fleetcraft Driver Training today issued a general fleet advisory warning to UK fleet operators.

In a recent survey, Fleetcraft Driver Training revealed that over 79% of UK businesses had no formal written policy regarding the use of mobile phones whilst out on the road. Few companies realised how vulnerable they were by failing to have a policy on this issue. Less than 1% were aware of any vulnerability. Many had no knowledge that a company in the north of England only avoided being embroiled in court action when they were able to show that one of their employees, (involved in a fatal road collision whilst using a mobile phone) had signed for a copy of the company driver's handbook. The handbook clearly stated that use of mobile phones whilst driving was expressly forbidden.

Chris Titchener of Fleetcraft commented "It is frightening that so many organisations are failing to address the simple issues relating to fleet safety. We will continue with our campaign to raise awareness of these issues and help reduce the risks associated with occupational driving"

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