



## **The Bullets: Use of Cell Phones in Commercial Motor Vehicles**

*"The Bullets" promises to present the key takeaways for a specific standard or regulation applicable to the LBM Sector. This Series is intended to "keep it simple" and "to the point" for each specific regulatory item addressed. Below are the bullets for two specific sections of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) prohibiting CMV drivers from using hand-held phone and texting while driving.*

**The following bullets are derived from FMCSR 392.80, Prohibition against texting, and 392.82, Using a hand-held mobile telephone --**

- Don't text while driving.
- Don't use your hand-held mobile telephone while driving.
- Driving includes operating a CMV with the motor running while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic control device, or other momentary delays.
- Driving does not include operating a CMV with or without the motor running when the vehicle has been moved to the side of, or off, a highway, and halted in a location where the vehicle can safely remain stationary.

**The FMCSRs also ban the use of radar detectors in CMVs and prohibit driving CMVs equipped with a radar detector.**