

The **FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)** rule on **Sanitary Transportation of Human and Animal Food** took effect in **2017**. With this in mind, R+L Carriers has proactively reviewed the company's food-safety procedures in order to ensure full compliance with this program.

R+L Carriers is a less than truckload motor carrier utilizing dry van trailers. Except for seasonal freeze protection service, R+L Carriers does not handle temperature-controlled shipments. While R+L Carriers manages and transports a wide variety of foodstuffs on a regular basis, such shipments are non-temperature controlled and completely enclosed by a container.

Under the final rule, transportation of food that is completely enclosed by a container—except food that requires temperature control for safety—is exempt. Since we do not offer refrigerated service and all of our shipments are enclosed in containers such as cans, bags, boxes and the like, R+L Carriers is exempt from these sections of the new rule.

As always, we will continue to maintain the same high quality of service by providing clean, dry and well-maintained vans and by loading food products in accordance with all applicable Federal guidelines. R+L Carriers already has policies and procedures designed to maintain compliance with **49 CFR 177.841(e)**, which restricts the loading of consumable products with DOT-regulated Poison/Toxic materials.

As a company, R+L Carriers is very security conscious. We have many security protocols in place for both local and linehaul operations and for shipments that are at our terminal locations. These protocols include applications of seals, and padlocks (when deemed necessary), as well as video surveillance.

Our most important asset is our staff of dedicated employees who strive each day to meet and exceed our customers' expectations while operating within the framework of all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations.

Regards,

R+L Carriers