

**TITLE 8:  
GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY ORDERS  
Chapter 4, Subchapter 7, Articles 3, Sections 3251,**

**Refrigerator Vehicles**

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TO  
CALIFORNIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS BOARD**

PROPOSED STATE STANDARD,  
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4

Amend Section 3251 to read:

§3251. Refrigerator Vehicles.

Every mobile refrigerated compartment shall have at least one door which can be opened from inside the compartment and such door shall be so located as to provide a safe means of egress. In addition to the above there shall also be provided and maintained in workable condition a suitable axe, pinch bar or other tool which will enable a person to escape if the door should freeze tight.

EXCEPTION: Provision and maintenance of an axe, pinch bar or other tool is not required in mental, penal or correctional facilities where supervisory personnel are continually on duty and effective provisions are made to ensure that occupants are not closed or sealed inside the compartment.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 142.3, Labor Code. Reference: Section 142.3, Labor Code.