be carried in the vehicle the following equipment except as provided in subsection (b):

- (1) At least three flares or three red electric lanterns or three portable red emergency reflectors, each of which shall be capable of being seen and distinguished at a distance of not less than 600 feet under normal atmospheric conditions at nighttime;
- (2) At least three red-burning fusees having a burning period of at least 15 minutes unless red electric lanterns or red portable emergency reflectors are carried; and
- (3) At least two red flags, not less than 12 inches square, with standards to support the flags.
- (b) No person shall operate at the time and under conditions stated in subsection (a) any motor vehicle used for the transportation of explosives, any cargo tank truck used for the transportation of flammable liquids or compressed gases, or any motor vehicle using compressed gas as a fuel unless there shall be carried in the vehicle three red electric lanterns or three portable red emergency reflectors meeting the requirements of subsections (a) and (c) of this section, and there shall not be carried in the vehicle any flares, fusees, or signal produced by flame.
- (c) No flare, fusee, electric lantern, or warning flag shall be used for the purpose of compliance with the requirements of this section unless the equipment is of a type which has been submitted to the commissioner and approved by him. No portable reflector unit shall be used for the purpose of compliance with the requirements of this section unless it is so designed and constructed as to include two reflecting elements one above the other, each of which shall be capable of reflecting red light clearly visible from all distances within 600 feet to 100 feet under normal atmospheric conditions at night when directly in front of lawful upper beams of head lamps, and unless it is of a type which has been submitted to the commissioner and approved by him.

## § 12-408. Display of warning devices when vehicle disabled.

- (a) Whenever any truck, passenger bus, truck tractor, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer, or any motor vehicle towing a house trailer, is disabled upon the traveled portion of any highway or the shoulder thereof outside of any municipality at any time when lighted lamps are required on vehicles the driver of the vehicle shall display the following warning devices upon the highway during the time the vehicle is so disabled on the highway except as provided in subsection (b), (c) or (e).
- (1) A lighted fusee, a lighted red electric lantern, or a portable red emergency reflector shall be immediately placed at the traffic side of the vehicle in the direction of the nearest approaching traffic; and
- (2) As soon thereafter as possible but in any event within 15 minutes or before any fusee used for this purpose burns out, whichever occurs first, the driver shall place three liquid-burning flares (pot torches), or three lighted red electric lanterns or three portable red emergency reflectors on the traveled portion of the highway in the following order: