

shall conform with the requirements of section 12-407 applicable thereto.

§ 12-409. *Vehicles transporting hazardous materials.*

(a) *The Commissioner shall adopt such regulations as may be necessary for the safe transportation of hazardous materials. Such regulations shall duplicate or be consistent with current Hazardous Materials Regulations of the United States Department of Transportation.*

(b) *Any person operating a vehicle transporting any hazardous materials as a cargo or part of a cargo upon a highway, shall at all times comply with regulations of the Commissioner adopted pursuant to the provisions of this section.*

(c) *Said vehicle shall be marked or placarded at such places and in such manner as have been prescribed by regulations adopted pursuant to this section.*

(d) *Every said vehicle shall be equipped with fire extinguishers of a type, size and number approved by the Commissioner, filled and ready for immediate use, and placed at a convenient point on the vehicle so used.*

§ 12-410. *Air-conditioning equipment.*

(a) *The term "air-conditioning equipment" as used or referred to in this section means mechanical vapor compression refrigeration equipment which is used to cool the driver's or passenger compartment of any motor vehicle.*

(b) *The equipment shall be manufactured, installed, and maintained with due regard for the safety of the occupants of the vehicle and the public and shall not contain any refrigerant which is toxic to persons or flammable.*

(c) *The commissioner may adopt and enforce safety requirements, regulations, and specifications consistent with the requirements of this section applicable to the equipment.*

(d) *No person shall have for sale, offer for sale, sell, or equip any motor vehicle with this equipment unless it complies with the requirements of this section.*

(e) *No person shall operate on any highway any motor vehicle equipped with any air-conditioning equipment unless the equipment complies with the requirements of this section.*

§ 12-411. *Metal frame required for rear of trailers and semitrailers.*

*Every trailer or semitrailer of a gross weight of 3,000 pounds or more when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with a permanent metal frame attached to the underside of the rear of the trailer. The frame shall not be any wider than the width of the trailer, and shall be not more than 30 inches above the highway when moving and shall be constructed of heavy gauge steel. The maximum transverse distance from the widest part of the vehicle at the rear to the frame shall not exceed 18 inches. The frame shall be constructed so as not to interfere with lights or other warning devices. Any trailer or semi-trailer so constructed and maintained that the body, chassis or other parts thereof afford the protection required by this section shall be deemed to be in compliance with this section. The provisions*