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Road Transport Security Standards launched

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The Department for Transport has launched the Road Transport Security Standards.

The road network is used by hostile actors to conduct their activity, both in the planning and execution of their activities. These criminals include organised crime groups and terrorists, both of which pose an increasing threat to the transport sector.

Supporting the transport sector

The Road Transport Security Standards (RTSS) is designed to support the commercial freight, bus and coach sector to better protect their vehicles, assets and personnel from theft, hijacking or being targeted for terrorist purposes. In recent years, vehicles have been used by terrorists to conduct attacks on crowded places, including in Magdeburg, Munich and New Orleans.

These standards encompass a practical toolkit, a self-assessment form and best practice guidance designed to support transport operators, logistics providers and security managers to better protect their vehicles.

The RTSS is a useful entry point for operators and security managers who are developing their security culture against the threat of terrorism and organised crime groups.

The RTSS, together with a toolkit and smart survey, can be accessed via the GOV.UK web page. Participants who complete the survey will be given feedback from the Road Transport Security Team identifying areas for potential improvement.

Should you have any questions, please email roadtransportsecurity@dft.gov.uk.

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