



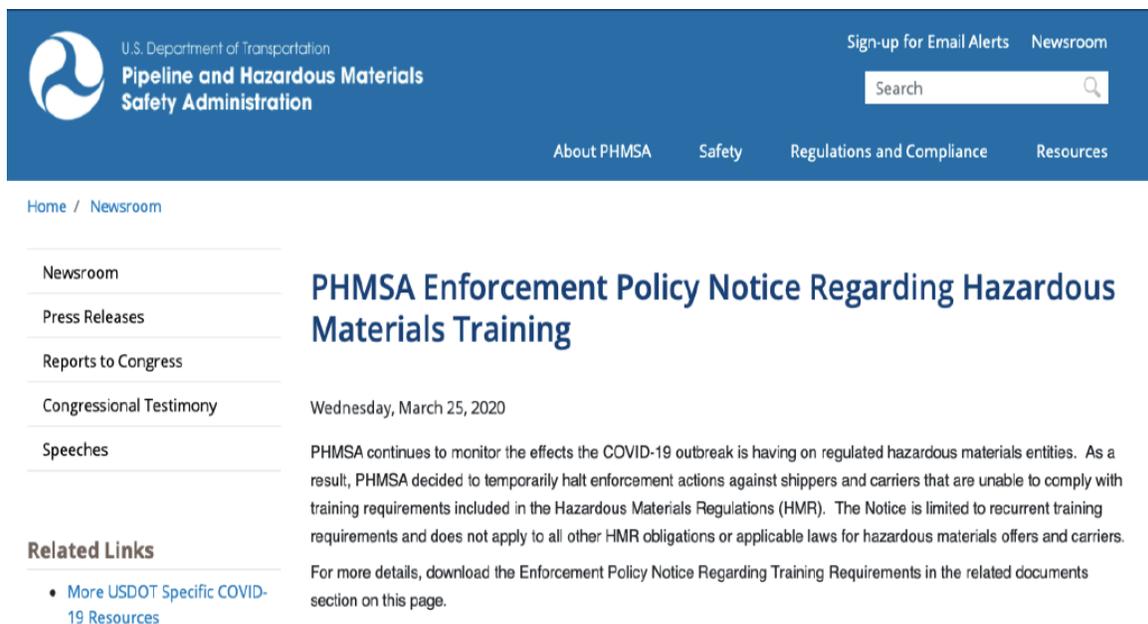
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### HazMat & OSHA-Required Training in the Age of Covid-19

HazMat training regulations are administered by the Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA). Those regulations require initial HazMat awareness training and then refresher training on an at least every three year basis.

Given the limitations imposed by the Covid-19 experience, the timeliness of training has been provided some significant relaxation by PHMSA. We'll set that relaxation out here:



OSHA, too, has similarly relaxed training requirements found in that agency's standards, advising its compliance officers to exercise "discretion in enforcement" and consideration of "good faith efforts" in the light provided by the Covid-19 experience. Here's a link to that agency-wide guidance:

<https://www.osha.gov/memos/2020-04-16/discretion-enforcement-when-considering-employers-good-faith-efforts-during>

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