

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement.

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 04/14, I 89 Colchester N weigh station detail; 6 Inspectors screened 305 commercial motor vehicles. 15 Inspections were conducted and 53 violations detected (52 vehicles and 1 driver). 11 vehicles were placed out of service.
- 04/14, US Rte. 7 Ferrisburgh detail; 4 Inspectors screened 76 commercial motor vehicles. 9 Inspections were conducted and 44 violations detected (41 vehicle and 3 drivers). 5 vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes:

- None reported

Notables:

- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weigh station; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed an underinflated tire placing the combination out of service. An additional violation was discovered for a damaged airline. The vehicle was placed out of service until repaired
- 04/14, Colchester Rt. 2; Inspector observed the operator of a dump truck using a cellphone while driving through an intersection. Inspector Knight conducted a motor vehicle stop and issued the driver a ticket for the violation.
- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector and Sergeant conducted an inspection on a fuel hauler and found multiple brake defects on the trailer.



- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 6 violations. The combination was placed out of service because 4 total brake defects were discovered. The combination was placed out of service until repaired.

- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector and Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer combination which drove into the inspection site with a broken steel axle hub. The vehicle was placed out of service until it could be repaired.



- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 5 violations. The combination was placed out of service because a steer axle hub was observed to be leaking contaminating the braking surface. Additionally, both stop lamps on the trailer were inoperable. The combination was placed out of service until repaired.



- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 3 violations. The combination was placed out of service because both stop lamps on the trailer were inoperable and an underinflated tire was discovered. The combination was placed out of service until repaired.
- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weigh station; Inspector and Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer combination that entered the inspection site with load securement violations. During the inspection a wheel seal leak was located on the power units drive axle. The vehicle was placed out of service due to the active leak contaminating the braking surface.



- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 2 violations. The combination was placed out of service because an underinflated tire was discovered on the trailer. The combination was placed out of service until repaired.
- 04/14, Lieutenant screened a 5-axle interstate combination, flagged by the Smart Roadside Tire Anomaly System as having a flat tire; the tire was confirmed flat and off the bead. A level 2 safety inspection was completed, and the truck was placed out-of-service for the violation.
- 04/14, Colchester Northbound weight station; Inspector inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed an underinflated tire was on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service until repaired.



- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 7 violations. The combination was placed out of service because of multiple brake defects. The combination was placed out of service until the repairs could be completed.



- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 3 violations. The combination was placed out of service because it failed an air drop test. An audible air leak was discovered on the tractor unit. The combination was placed out of service until the repairs could be completed.
- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector and Sergeant inspected a truck and trailer that entered the inspection site without working trailer lights. During the inspection multiple violations were found. The emergency brake away device was not hooked to the tow vehicle and the pigtail to the trailer was chafed exposing copper wires. The combination was placed out of service until repairs could be made.
- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector's inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 3 violations. The combination was placed out of service because the trailer brakes malfunctioned causing smoke to emit from the brakes.
- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector inspected a tractor trailer combination. The inspection revealed a total of 11 violations. The combination was placed out of service because of the following, inoperative stop lamps on the trailer, underinflated tires, defective trailer suspension , 5 total defective brakes discovered on the combination and air loss test failure



- 04/16, Ferrisburgh; Inspector and Sergeant conducted a size and weight check on an intrastate truck hauling a dump trailer. A portable weigh determined the combination was 9,000 pounds over their legal tare and the trailer was not registered. A ticket was issued.
- 04/17, Williston; Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a TT-unit shooting flames out the exhaust stacks. The truck had an engine failure while travelling south on I-89 and the driver was trying to get to the southbound rest area for a safe parking space. The truck

stopped at the Williston rest area and the flames were extinguished before catching the rest of the truck on fire. The truck was towed from the rest area for repairs.

- 04/13 to 04/17 – Sergeant and Inspector supervised numerous level 1 inspections

Safety Audits:

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 04/14 I-91 Derby Port of Entry, 4 inspectors screened 87 vehicles. 11 inspections were completed which resulted in 19 vehicle violations and 1 driver violations.
- 04/16 The Northeast Sector attended the Hartford Nb Rest Area Detail.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 04/13 Orleans, Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle traveling 90 mph on I-91. The driver was issued a ticket.
- 04/16 Hartford detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was operating a class A combination with no CDL, the trailer's breakaway was not connected to the power unit, and the vehicle was unregistered. A ticket was issued and the vehicle was placed out of service.



- 04/16 Hartford detail, Inspector conducted an inspection of a cargo tank motor vehicle transporting 4,500 gallons of #2 fuel oil. Several violations were discovered relating to hazardous material shipping documents, DOT hazardous materials registration, weight violations relating to tire load limits and tire size limits, and a tire that was in contact with another vehicle component. The vehicle was declared out of service.



- 04/16 Hartford detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found the fuel tank was not properly secured as one of the straps was damaged. The vehicle was declared out of service.
- 04/18 Coventry, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle hauling logs. A portable weigh was conducted which revealed the CMV's gross weight to be 90,000 lbs., 10,000 lbs. over the vehicles registered weight of 80,000 lbs. The carrier was issued a ticket.

New Entrant:

Compliance Review:

Passenger Vehicles:

- Nothing to report

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 04/14, I91N Guilford Truck Check Area, (unannounced brake check detail), 234 vehicles were screened with 20 Level 1 inspections conducted including 1 with Hazmat. The inspections resulted in 20 vehicle violations and 6 vehicles being placed out of service. Several violations recorded were brake or brake related.
- 04/16, I 91N Hartford Truck Check Area (combined detail with NE & TE unit), 268 vehicles were screened with 22 Level 1, 7 Level 2 and 2 Level 3 inspections conducted. The inspections resulted in 48 vehicle violations, 5 driver violations, 9 vehicles out of service and 2 drivers out of service. 5 portable weighs were conducted with 3 VCVC's issued totaling over \$6000.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 04/13, East Dorset, Inspectors stopped a truck hauling a skid steer with only 1 chain securing it down to the trailer. A Level 2 Inspection was conducted, and the truck was placed out of service until the load was properly secured.



- 04/14, Guilford truck Check Area, Sergeant conducted a Level 1 inspection on a truck/trailer combination. The trailer was placed out of service for an improper breakaway cable connection. The operator was able to repair the violation on scene.
- 04/14, Guilford Truck Check Area, Sergeant conducted a Level 1 inspection on a 4-axle straight truck. The truck was placed out of service for a leaking air hose connected to a brake chamber.



- 04/14, Guilford truck Check Area, Inspector conducted a level 1 inspection on a tractor trailer combination. Upon further inspection, it was found that the equipment that was secured on the trailer did not have the articulation pin in place. Several other out of service violations were found such as several cracked brake pads and a missing brake pad. The combination was placed out of service.



- 04/14, Guilford truck Check Area, Inspector conducted a traffic stop and an inspection on a straight truck that drove past the open weigh station. Upon further inspection it was learned that the company was federally out of service for failing to comply with the new entrant audit. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 04/14, Guilford truck Check Area, Inspector conducted a level 1 inspection on a tractor trailer unit. Upon further inspection, the trailer had two brakes that were out of adjustment, which rendered them inoperable. The combination was placed out of service.
- 04/14, Guilford Truck Check Area, Inspector conducted a Level 1 Inspection on a tractor trailer combination. During the inspection it was found that both airlines supplying the trailer were chafed through the outer reinforcement ply. The combination was placed out of service until repairs were made.



- 04/16, I 91 N Hartford Truck Check Area, Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a log truck with a trailer loaded with logs traveling on I91 going North. A portable weigh was

conducted, and the log truck weighed 123,400 Lb. The company had a 99k permit. A VCVC was issued to the company for being overweight.



- 04/16, Corporal conducted a Level 2 inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. The vehicle was placed out of service for a Flat Tire. The operator was able to repair the violation on scene.
- 04/16, Corporal conducted a Level 1 inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was found that on the driver's side rear axle the inner hub seal was actively leaking hydraulic fluid. It was found that the hydraulic fluid had leaked onto the brake caliper and disc. Contaminating the rear brake. This truck also had a faulty rear air regulator that was leaking air. The truck was placed out of service for contaminated rear brake and could not maintain air. Truck was later towed from the scene for repairs.



- 04/16, Hartford NB Weigh Station, Inspector conducted a Level 1 inspection on a tractor trailer combination and found that the outer tire on axle 4 passenger side had only 15 pounds of air which is less than half the recommended inflation pressure. The trailer was placed out of service until the tire was repaired.
- 04/16, Hartford NB Weigh Station, Inspectors conducted a Level 1 Inspection and weighed a 5-axle log truck. During the inspection it was found that the log truck did not have an overweight permit and was found to be 9800 pounds over his limit. A VCVC was issued for the violation.

- 04/16, Hartford NB Weigh Station, Inspector conducted a Level 1 Inspection on a 2-axle box truck and found that the front passenger brake was in full defect. The truck was placed out of service until repairs were made.



Traffic Enforcement:

- During the week of the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 72 inspections which resulted in 6 drivers and 10 vehicles being placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 04/11, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle traveling from NH-ME. The operator did not have a medical card. The operator was placed out of service.
- 4/11, Inspector stopped a truck hauling a front loader on Route 22A in Fair Haven. The machine had no securement over the forks nor any way to prevent articulation in transit. The trailer also had an incorrectly attached breakaway cable. The trailer was placed out of service.



- 04/13, Sergeant conducted supervised inspections at the Colchester weigh station with Inspector.
- 04/13, Inspector stopped a commercial truck/trailer for Speeding and a marking violation on I-89 in Brookfield. An inspection was conducted and the driver was found to be under Suspension in Quebec. The driver was placed Out of Service and multiple tickets were issued.
- 04/14, Inspector stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a marking violation at the WRJ SB detail on I-91. The Carrier was operating in Inter-state commerce with no USDOT# or IFTA/IRP. The driver was issued several warnings, and the truck was grounded until a 72-hour permit was obtained.



- 04/14, Inspector stopped a truck hauling a skid steer on Route 4 in Killington. The combination required a Class A CDL, which the driver did not have. The trailer breakaway cable was not connected properly. The driver and trailer were placed out of service.



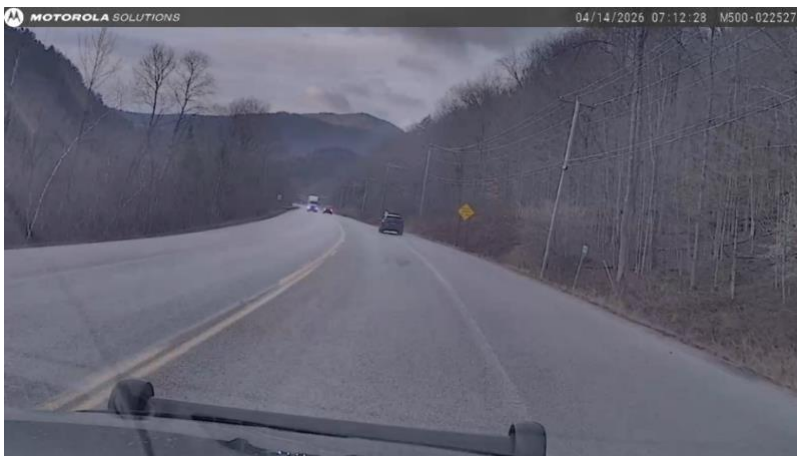
- 04/14, Sergeant conducted a level 1 inspection at Hartford SB and placed a commercial motor vehicle out of service for having an air leak which caused the truck to fail the air loss rate. It was also determined that brakes were inoperative, some of the brake pads were severely worn, air hoses were damaged and the owner / operator had put registration plates on the trailer which did not belong to it. The owner / operator was issued a VCVC.



- 04/14, Sergeant placed a commercial motor vehicle out of service for having broken main leaf springs.



- 04/14, Sergeant stopped a commercial motor vehicle with a GVWR of 33,000lbs for a marking violation, the driver was found to have a class D operator's license. The carrier was found to have registered with FMCSA as an intrastate carrier that had not submitted an MCS-150 form in many years. The carrier did not have IFTA and was issued a VCVC.
- 04/14, Inspector stopped a pickup truck passing a tractor trailer at a speed of 86 mph in a posted 50 zone. The driver was issued a ticket for \$544.
- 04/14, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle transporting lumber. It was discovered the load was not secure and the trailer was placed out of service for the violation.
- 04/14, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle driving from NH-VT, more than 20% of the vehicle's brakes were out of adjustment. The vehicle was placed out of service for the violation.



- 04/15, Sergeant attended day two of MCSAP re-cert and spoke with the group about crash data collection.
- 04/15, I89 TACT stop. Sergeant stopped a passenger car which had passed him at 91mph. The operator was issued a VCVC.
- 04/15, Sergeant stopped a commercial motor vehicle for speeding (62/50), the same driver had been stopped for a speeding violation (81/65) two months prior. The driver was issued a VCVC for speeding.

- 04/16, Sergeant stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a marking violation. A level 2 inspection was completed, and the driver was placed out of service for operating a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce while under the age of 21. The trailer was placed out of service for the emergency breakaway cable not being attached to the power unit.



- 04/16, Inspector stopped a box truck for a lighting violation on I-89 in Berlin. An inspection was conducted and the truck was placed Out of Service for lighting violations. The Carrier was found to be under Suspension in Vermont for CCN. The driver was issued several warnings, and the truck was grounded until the Suspension was rectified.



- 04/16, Inspector attempted to conduct an inspection on a box truck, however it was determined the driver could not speak English and a continuance of the inspection was unsafe due to the language barrier. The driver was placed out of service.
- 04/17, Inspector assisted Chester PD with a tractor trailer that was the subject of complaints of erratic driving on Route 103. The driver's CDL was suspended for two serious moving violations within 2 years. He was placed out of service.



- 04/17, Inspector stopped a truck hauling an excavator on Route 4 in Mendon. The trailer was placed out of service for a flat tire.



Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

HQ Sergeant:

- 04/14, At the Colchester detail: Sergeant inspected an interstate box truck. The vehicle was placed out of service as 25% of the brakes were out of adjustment.



- Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer hauling hazardous materials. The vehicle was placed out of service until the pallet of hazardous materials was secured.



- 04/15, Sergeant presented at the annual MCSAP update.

New Entrant: