

## **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement.**

### **NORTHWEST SECTOR:**

#### Details:

- 06/16, US Rte. 7 Ferrisburgh; 3 Inspectors screened 111 commercial motor vehicles. 9 Inspections were conducted and 9 violations detected (6 vehicles and 3 drivers). 2 vehicles were placed out of service, and 2 overweight permits were checked.
- 06/17, I 89 Highgate Point of Entry; 2 Inspectors screened 39 commercial motor vehicles. 8 Inspections were conducted and 43 violations detected. (39 vehicles and 4 drivers). 4 vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

#### Notables:

- 06/16, US Rte. 7 Ferrisburgh; Inspector conducted an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was found that the driver was making false reports on his record of duty status. It was learned that the driver was driving while listed in off duty or sleeper birth statuses. The driver told Inspector Knight that he was driving in a non-driving status due to the fact that he was lost on Vermont roads.
- 06/16, US Rte. 7 Ferrisburgh; Inspector conducted an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection an airline was discovered to have been damaged into the reinforcement ply. The vehicle was placed out of service until the damaged line could be replaced.
- 06/17, Highgate point of entry; Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. A total of 6 vehicle violations were identified. During the inspection it was discovered that the trailer had an underinflated tire and was placed out of service until it could be repaired.
- 06/17, Highgate point of entry, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. A total of 17 vehicle violations and 2 driver violations were identified, 6 of which resulted in placing the commercial vehicle out of service. The vehicle had multiple brake hoses chafed into the reinforcement ply and none of the brakes on the trailer were operative. Most of the tires on the trailer measured less than 2/32<sup>nd</sup>. While speaking to the operator it was learned that many of the violations were reported to the company already, but the driver was told to continue driving. The vehicle was placed out of service and subsequently towed to a repair facility and the company was issued a ticket for the violations.
- 06/17, Highgate point of entry, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection the driver provided Inspector with 3 different sets of record of duty status. The driver was cited for tampering with their electronic log. The load on the vehicle was also found not to be secured properly as it only had two tie downs when 3 were required. A chafed airline hose was found on the trailer which was into the reinforcement ply. The vehicle was placed out of service until further tie downs were added and the airline was repaired.



Safety Audits:

### **NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

Details:

- 06/16 I-91 Barton Nb Rest Area, 5 inspectors screened 153 vehicles. 33 inspections were completed which resulted in 52 vehicle violations (7 out of service) and 6 driver violations.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 06/15 Colchester, Sergeant conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and located several out of service air hoses, the driver also did not have his previous 7 days of records of duty status. The driver and the truck were placed out of service pending repair and a full 10-hour reset.
- 06/16 Barton detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found both brake lights to be inoperable on the rearmost of the vehicle. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 06/16 Barton detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered two tires less than 50% of their maximum inflation pressures. The vehicle was placed out of service until repaired.
- 06/16 Barton detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered a suspension tracking component to be cracked. The vehicle was placed out of service until repaired.
- 06/16 Barton detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered nine (9) total violations. These violations included a loose yoke mounting bolt, a tire inflated to less than 50% of the maximum inflation pressure, and more than 20% of the required brakes were defective. The vehicle was placed out of service, and the carrier was issued a VCVC.
- 06/17 Berlin, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found multiple violations to include an inoperable rearmost turn signal. The operator fixed the light and was able to continue their route.

- 06/17 Beecher Falls, Sergeant conducted an inspection and portable weigh on a commercial motor vehicle and found the gross weight to be 123,100lbs, 24,100lbs over their permitted 99,000lbs. The truck was forced off loaded at their nearby shop. The truck was also placed out of service pending repairs.



- 06/18 Grand Isle, Inspector instructed a seated battery of SFST class to the Vermont Warden Service Warden Trainee class and certified them on seated SFSTs.
- 06/18 Guildhall, Inspector conducted an inspection and a weigh on a commercial motor vehicle and found the vehicle to be 9,000Lbs over its 69,000Lb permit. The carrier was issued a VCVC for the violation.
- 06/19 Morrisville, Inspector conducted a portable weigh on a commercial motor vehicle and found the total weight to be 11,700Lbs over their allowable weight of 69,000Lbs. The carrier was issued a VCVC.
- 06/19 Waterford, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle engaged in interstate commerce. Multiple violations were discovered to include the operator not in possession of a valid medical certificate, operating a commercial motor vehicle without a USDOT number (with history) when required, and the trailer's breakaway cable was not secured to the power unit. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 06/19 Waterford, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle engaged in interstate commerce. Multiple violations were discovered to include the operator not in possession of a valid medical certificate. The driver was placed out of service.

New Entrant:

Compliance Review:

- Nothing to report.

Passenger Vehicles:

- Nothing to report.

## SOUTH SECTOR:

### Details:

- 06/16, Sharon I89NB, 6 Inspectors screened 191 commercial vehicles. 19 inspections were completed, which resulted in 7 vehicles and 5 driver violations. 2 vehicles and 2 drivers were placed out of service.
- 06/18, Hartford Rest Area I91SB, 5 Inspectors screened 207 commercial vehicles. 14 inspections were completed which resulted in 8 vehicle violations. 1 vehicle was placed out of service.

### Crashes:

### Notables:

- 06/16, Sergeant conducted a Level 1 on a straight truck. It was discovered that the driver was under the age of 21 while engaged in interstate commerce and was placed out of service.
- 06/16, Inspectors and conducted a Level 1 Inspection on a truck trailer combination. During the inspection it was found that the trailer safety breakaway was connected to the safety chains and not to the tow vehicles. The combination was placed OOS until repairs were made.



- 06/16, Sergeant and Inspector conducted an inspection on a truck/trailer combination. It was discovered the 4 locking pins on the trailer axle slider were not engaged at all. The trailer was placed out of service until being repaired on scene.



- 06/16, Lieutenant and Inspector found the driver of a commercial vehicle had an expired medical certificate. Additionally, the expired med card and the driver's license indicated he needed corrective lenses which he did not have. The operator was placed out of service.
- 06/16, Inspectors and conducted a Level 1 Inspection on a truck trailer combination. During the inspection it was found that the tire on axle 3 drivers' side was less than 50% the recommended inflation pressure. The trailer was placed out of service until repairs were made.
- 06/16, Inspectors and conducted a Level 1 Inspection on a truck trailer combination. During the inspection it was found they did not have the proper number of chains to properly secure the piece of equipment they were hauling. The combination was placed out of service until the equipment was properly secured.
- 06/17, Sergeant conducted load securement training for AOT members at the Colchester AOT facility. The training was part of the AOT Spring Safety Days training initiative.



## **Traffic Enforcement:**

- During the week of the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 49 inspections which resulted in 6 drivers and 4 vehicles being placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 06/15-06/18, Sergeant attended a leadership in human trafficking prevention training.
- 06/15, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector had a 3-axle truck weighing 70,460 on a 60,000 permit. The carrier was issued a ticket by Inspector Domingus.
- 06/15, 6/16 and 6/19, Inspector conducted speed enforcement in the Randolph and Royalton work zones. Several passenger cars and commercial vehicles were stopped for speeding and distracted driving.
- 06/15, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector inspected a truck which had an inactive USDOT number. The driver had no medical card. The truck and driver were placed out of service.



- 06/16, I 89 N Royalton Work Zone, Inspector observed a truck with no USDOT number displayed. The vehicle was stopped and the carrier failed to register for a USDOT number prior to interstate operations. The driver had no medical card and was placed out of service.
- 06/16, Inspector stopped a CMV for a license plate violation. An inspection was conducted and the Carrier was found to be under Suspension in VT for CCN.

- 06/17, Derby, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. This resulted in the operator being placed out of service for no medical card as well as no commercial driver's license while operating a class A required combination.



- 06/17, I-89 S Royalton Work Zone, Inspector stopped a passenger car for speeding. The driver did not have a valid license.
- 06/18, Inspector stopped a truck that failed to stop at the Fair Haven Scale House. The carrier failed to register for a USDOT number. The driver was under 21 years old with no medical card. He was placed out of service.



- 06/18, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector had a 6-axle truck weighing 106,480 on an expired 99,000 permit. The truck was force permitted and the carrier was issued a ticket.
- 06/18, Concord, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle traveling from New Hampshire to Vermont. The vehicle was placed out of service for operating with an inactive USDOT number.
- 06/18 Concord, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle traveling from Maine to Vermont. Both the operator and vehicle were placed out of service for a damaged breakaway cable, no commercial driver's license or medical card.
- 06/19, I 89 N, Inspector stopped a truck for a marking violation. The driver had no medical card, and the truck parking brake was inoperable. Both truck and driver were placed out of service.



Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

**HQ Sergeant:**

New Entrant : Nothing to report.