

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 10/13 I-89 NB/SB (Wicked Safe Directed Patrol), 3 Inspectors conducted 7 inspections, and 7 traffic stops on passenger vehicles. 12 vehicle and 9 driver violations were observed during the inspections and 1 vehicle, and 1 driver were placed out of service. 8 warnings and 2 tickets were issued to drivers of passenger vehicles.
- 10/15 Hartford (I-91 South Rest Area), 5 inspectors screened 157 commercial motor vehicles and conducted 15 inspections. 42 vehicle violations and 7 driver violations were observed. 6 vehicles and 2 drivers were placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 10/13 Weatherfield, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle which yielded 11 total violations to include operating a Class-A CDL required commercial motor vehicle with a Class-B CDL, operating a CMV engaged in interstate commerce without a valid medical certificate, and multiple cargo securement violations. The combination and driver were placed out of service.
- 10/13 Norwich, Lieutenant stopped a commercial motor vehicle for an equipment violation. An inspection was completed and the commercial vehicle was placed out of service for a flat tire.
- 10/14 Lunenburg, Inspector conducted an inspection and a portable weigh on a commercial motor vehicle hauling logs. A portable weigh revealed the combination weighed 6,200 lbs. over the allowable permitted weight of 99,000 lbs. (105,200 lbs. total).
- 10/14 Sheffield, Lieutenant stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a load securement violation. The machinery exceeded 10,000lbs. and was not secured at four corners, the attachment was not secured, and the machine was not prevented from articulating. The combination was found to require an oversized load permit and did not have one. The carrier was found to have an inactive USDOT number and did not have IFTA or IRP. The driver was placed out of service for not having a logbook when it was required. The carrier was issued a VCVC.



- 10/15 Hartford, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found an air reservoir separated at one end allowing movement of more than 1 inch. The vehicle was placed out of service for the violation.
- 10/15 Hartford, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found a tire inflated to less than 50% of the maximum inflation pressure on a tire not equipped with ATIS. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 10/15 Hartford, Inspector placed a driver out of service for operating a Class-A CDL required commercial motor vehicle while possessing a Class-B CDL.
- 10/15 Hartford, Lieutenant conducted a portable weigh of a 4-axle straight truck which was hauling two pieces of equipment. The vehicle was found to be 9,000lbs. over its allowable weight. The carrier was issued a VCVC.
- 10/15 Hartford, Lieutenant grounded a commercial motor vehicle after determining that the carrier was under suspension in VT.
- 10/16 Morrisville, Inspector conducted a TACT stop on a passenger vehicle after almost being struck while on a commercial motor vehicle inspection. The operator was issued a ticket for failing to move over for emergency vehicles.

Safety Audit:

Passenger Vehicles:

- Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a passenger vehicle traveling at 95 MPH in a posted 65 MPH speed limit zone. The driver was issued a ticket.
- 10/13 Ryegate, Lieutenant stopped a passenger vehicle for a speeding violation. The operator of the vehicle exceeded the posted speed limit by 25mph.

- 10/16 Sheffield, Lieutenant stopped a passenger vehicle for a speeding violation. The operator of the vehicle exceeded the posted speed limit by 25mph.

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 10/13, I 89 Colchester N weigh station detail; 6 Inspectors screened 291 commercial motor vehicles. 27 Inspections were conducted and 17 violations (6 drivers and 11 vehicles) were detected. 4 vehicles and 4 drivers were placed out of service.
- 10/15, Members of the Northwest Team participated in a cross-border detail in White River with the New Hampshire State Police (Stats listed in the South Sector).

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 10/12, Rutland; Inspector was asked to speak at the Vermont Electric Power Company Safety Day about highway safety and distracted driving.
- 10/13, Colchester N weigh station; Sergeant inspected an interstate dump truck hauling a piece of heavy machinery. The inspection revealed the arm of the excavator extended more than 4 feet off the rear of the trailer and was not flagged. Additionally, the driver had a K restriction on his Mass CDL and was not permitted to operate in interstate commerce. Both the driver and trailer were placed out of service.



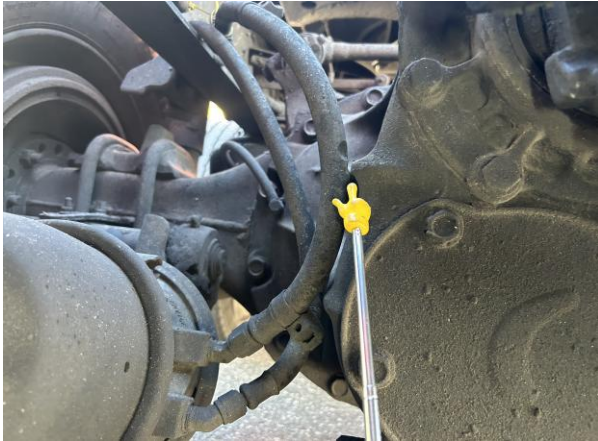
- 10/13, Colchester N weigh station; Inspector inspected a roll-off rubbish container truck. The inspection revealed the container on the truck was not secured to the vehicle properly. The truck was placed out of service until secured according to the federal regulations.



- 10/13, Colchester N weigh station; Inspector inspected an interstate flatbed truck with a GVWR of 23,000 lbs. The driver was not in possession of a valid medical certificate when it was required. The driver was placed out of service.
- 10/13 Colchester North bound weight station; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was discovered that the driver had not maintained the required record of duty status. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours to get proper rest and generate proper driver logs.
- 10/13 Colchester N bound weight station; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was discovered that the driver did not have a medical card. The driver was placed out of service.
- 10/14 Waterbury North bound rest area; Inspector conducted a traffic stop and completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was determined that the trailer of the vehicle had a damaged airline. Additionally, during the inspection 6 loose wheel fasteners were discovered on axle 4. The vehicle was placed out of service until repairs could be made.
- 10/15 Hartford I-91 South Rest area; Inspector completed an inspection for a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was discovered that a brake airline was damaged. The vehicle was placed out of service until the violation could be repaired.



- 10/15, Hartford S Rest Area; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was discovered that the vehicle had a chafed airline which was into the reinforcement ply. The truck was placed out of service until repairs could be made.



- 10/15, South Burlington; Inspector and K9 Nyx responded to a K9 call out requested by the South Burlington Police Department.
- 10/17, Colchester N bound weigh station; Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was found that the brake lights on the trailer did not function. The trailer was placed out of service until repairs could be.

Safety Audits:

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 10/13, I91N Guilford, Operation Wicked Safe cross border with Mass State Police. 5 Inspectors screened 164 commercial vehicles and conducted 18 inspections including 1 with hazmat. The inspections resulted in 1 driver violation, 3 vehicle violations and 1 vehicle placed out of service.
- 10/15, I89N Sharon, cross border operation with New Hampshire State Police. 5 Inspectors screened 193 commercial vehicles and conducted 24 inspections. The inspections resulted in 11 vehicle violations and 3 driver violations. 2 vehicles and 1 driver were placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report

Notables:

- 10/13, I91N Guilford, Operation Wicked Safe cross border with Mass State Police. Inspector conducted an inspection on a tractor trailer unit. Upon further inspection, it was discovered that the trailer had a cracked rim which put the combination out of service.



- 10/15, I89N Sharon, cross border operation with NHSP. Inspector initiated a traffic stop on a hot shot truck and trailer combination that drove by an open inspection detail. An inspection was conducted and several violations were discovered, including a hole-to-hole crack on a trailer rim. The combination was placed out of service.



- 10/15, I89N Sharon, cross border operation with NHSP. Inspector conducted an inspection on a truck and trailer combination. Upon further inspection, it was discovered that the driver did not have a valid medical certificate. The driver was placed out of service.
- 10/14, Montpelier Vermont. Lieutenant and Inspector attended and participated as speakers at the annual Vermont Truck and Bus Conference. They provided attendees with

information regarding commercial motor vehicle safety, regulatory compliance, and enforcement practices.

- 10/15, I89N Sharon, Sergeant conducted an inspection on a truck and trailer combination. The inspection revealed a leaking inner wheel seal. The truck was placed out of service for the violation.

Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

Traffic Enforcement:

- During the week of the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 52 inspections which resulted in 5 drivers and 8 vehicles being placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 10/13, Inspector stopped an oversize load on Route 103 in Cuttingsville. The 50,000-pound wheel loader had no securement over the loader, placing the trailer out of service.



- 10/13, Inspector stopped a landscaping company from Massachusetts on Interstate 91 in Brattleboro. The carrier failed to register for a United States Department of Transportation number prior to interstate operations. The driver had no medical card. The trailer had an inoperable turn signal. The driver and trailer were placed out of service.
- 10/13, Inspector stopped a vehicle that failed to stop at the Guilford Weigh station. The service airline was not connected to the trailer, making the trailer brakes inoperable. The truck and trailer both had flat tires and were placed out of service.



- 10/13, Inspector stopped a vehicle that failed to stop at the Weigh Station in Guilford. The combination required a Class A Commercial Driver's License, which the driver did not have. He was placed out of service.



- 10/13, Inspector stopped a vehicle on Interstate 91 in Brattleboro. The carrier failed to register for a United States Department of Transportation number prior to interstate operations. The driver had no medical card, a turn signal on the trailer was inoperable and the coupling device had an insecure latch. The driver and trailer were placed out of service.



- 10/13 inspector placed a driver out of service for not wearing corrective lenses as required on his medical card.
- 10/14, in Lunenburg Sergeant conducted a hazmat inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found that 1 of 4 brakes were out of adjustment and a suspension mounting bolt was loose, the truck was placed out of service.



- 10/15, Interstate 91 South. Inspector placed a driver out of service for no medical card.



- 10/15, Inspector stopped a vehicle failing to stop at the Sharon weigh station. The trailer was placed out of service for an improperly connected breakaway cable.
- 10/15, in Newport Sergeant and K-9 Edo attended their bi-monthly training in Newport.



- 10/16, in Canaan Sergeant conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle that was not marked according to regulations. During the inspection it was noted that the company did not have a United States Department of Transportation number and the driver was not carrying his medical card with him.



Passenger Vehicle:

- 10/14, Inspector conducted a Ticketing Aggressive Cars and Trucks stop on a passenger vehicle on Interstate 89 in Williamstown for speeding while passing a Commercial Motor Vehicle. The driver was issued a ticket for a speed of 95 miles per hour in a 65 miles per hour zone.
- 10/14, Inspector conducted a Ticketing Aggressive Cars and Trucks stop on a passenger vehicle on Interstate 89 in Williamstown for speeding while passing a Commercial Motor

Vehicle. The driver was issued a ticket for a speed of 98 miles per hour in a 65 miles per hour zone.

- 10/14, Inspector conducted a stop on a passenger vehicle on Interstate 89 in Williamstown for a speed violation. The operator was under Civil Suspension and was issued a ticket for Operating Suspended Civil and a warning for the speed violation and the vehicle was grounded.

HQ Sergeant:

New Entrant :