

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 09/29 Coventry (I-91 SB), 2 inspectors screen 71 commercial motor vehicles. 7 inspections were conducted and 12 vehicle and 1 driver violations were identified. 1 vehicle was placed out of service.

Notables:

- 09/28 Coventry, Inspector placed a driver of a commercial motor vehicle out of service for being in violation of their commercial driver's license restriction (driving limited to inside Canada).
- 09/29 Coventry, Inspector placed a commercial motor vehicle out of service for a disk wheel being cracked longer than 3".



- 09/30 Lunenburg, Inspector conducted an Inspection of a commercial motor vehicle and found the rear stop lamps and turn signals were inoperative on the rear most vehicle. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 09/30 Barnet, Inspector conducted an inspection and a portable weigh on a commercial motor vehicle hauling wood chips. The portable weigh revealed the combination weighed 106,500 lbs., 7,500 lbs. over the allowable permitted weight of 99,000 lbs. The carrier was issued a ticket.
- 10/01 Montpelier, Inspector attended a Central Vermont Law Enforcement intelligence sharing meeting. Attending Law Enforcement agencies included the Vermont Highway Patrol, Capital Police Department, Northfield Police Department, and the Washington County Sheriff's Department.

- 10/01 Brighton, Lieutenant placed the driver of a commercial motor vehicle out of service for not having a logbook when it was required and for not having a medical card when it was required.



- 10/2 Saint Johnsbury, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and found the operator was not wearing their corrective lenses at the time of the inspection. The operator was placed out of service.

New Entrant:

Passenger Vehicles:

- 09/29 Derby, Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a passenger vehicle and found the operator's Vermont driver's license was criminally suspended. The operator was issued a citation to appear in Orleans County Superior Court Criminal Division to answer to the offense.
- 09/30 Sheffield, Inspector conducted a TACT stop on a passenger vehicle traveling at 101 MPH in a posted 65 MPH speed limit zone. The operator was issued a ticket and a citation to appear in Caledonia County Superior Court Criminal Division to answer to the offense.

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 09/29, I 89 Highgate POE border grant detail; 4 Inspectors screened 120 commercial motor vehicles. 18 Inspections were conducted and 10 vehicle violations were detected. 1 vehicle was placed out of service.
1 portable weigh was conducted.
- 10/01, US Rte. 4 Fair Haven scale house; 3 Inspectors screened 120 commercial motor vehicles. 13 Inspections were conducted and 25 violations were detected. (19 vehicles and 6 driver) 2 vehicles and 1 driver were placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 09/28 - 10/01, Vermont Police Academy; Inspector spent the week teaching the DUI Instructor Development Course at the Vermont Police Academy.
- 09/29, Highgate Port of Entry; Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer combination loaded with gasoline. The hazmat inspection revealed the rearmost stop lights on the trailer were inoperative. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.
- 09/29, Highgate Port of Entry; Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer combination loaded with wet wood shavings. A portable weigh was conducted. The weigh revealed the combination was over 98000lbs and did not possess an overweight permit. The carrier was ticketed for the overweight infraction.
- 09/29, Highgate Port of Entry; Sergeant inspected a tractor trailer combination that was over-width. The driver did not have a valid permit to transport the load which was over 10 feet wide. The combination was grounded until the proper over-dimension permit was obtained.



- 09/30, Berlin; Sergeant stopped a dump truck for a suspected overweight infraction. A portable weigh and inspection were conducted. The weigh revealed the dump truck weighed over

37000lbs was registered to 25099. Additionally, the driver did not possess a commercial driver's license or medical card. The carrier was ticked for the overweight infraction, and the driver was placed out of service.



- 10/01, Fair Haven scale house; Sergeant inspected a work truck that weighed over 28,000 pounds. The inspection revealed the driver did not possess a commercial driver's license or medical card. The driver was placed out of service for the violations.
- 10/01 Fair Haven Scale House; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. During the inspection it was discovered that the combination vehicle was not maintaining air in the braking system. This defect was causing all of the trailer brakes to be inoperative. The vehicle was placed out of service until repairs could be made.
- 10/01 Fair Haven Scale House; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle hauling 3 excavators. The load securement for each excavator was not sufficient. The trailer which they were loaded upon was placed out of service until they were secured properly.
- 10/01 Fair Haven Scale House; Inspector completed an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle. The inspection revealed a set of chaffed air brake lines that were damaged through their reinforcement layers. The truck was placed out of service until new air brake lines could be installed.
- 10/02, Hyde Park; Inspector was requested to perform a drug influence evaluation on an operator that the Lamoille County Sheriff's had taken into custody for suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs.

Safety Audits:

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 09/29, I91N Guilford truck Check Area, 5 Inspectors screened 215 commercial vehicles and conducted 20 inspections. The inspections resulted in 13 driver violations and 6 vehicle violations. 4 drivers and 1 vehicle were placed out of service. 1 stolen trailer was recovered.
- 10/01, I91S Hartford Rest Area, 2 Inspectors screened 179 commercial vehicles and conducted 6 inspections. The inspections resulted in 4 vehicle violations, and 1 vehicle being placed out of service

Crashes:

Notables:

- 09/29, I91N Guilford truck Check Area, Inspector initiated a traffic stop on a truck and trailer that drove by the open inspection station. Upon further inspection it was discovered that the driver did not have a DOT medical certificate. The driver was placed out of service.
- 09/29, I 91 N Guilford Weigh Station, Inspector conducted a Level 3 inspection on a truck that had driven by the detail. During the inspection it was found that the driver did not have a DOT medical card. The driver was placed out of service.
- 09/29, I 91 N Guilford Weigh Station, Inspector conducted a Level 3 inspection on a truck that had driven by the detail. During the inspection it was found that the company was Federally out of service. The truck was escorted to the Welcome Center and placed out of service and a VCVC was issued to the company.



- 09/29, I 91 N Guilford Weigh Station, Inspector conducted a Level 3 inspection on a truck that had driven by the detail. During the inspection it was found that the driver did not have a DOT medical card. The driver was placed out of service.
- 09/29, 74 Glen Orne Dr, Brattleboro Vermont. Vermont Highway Patrol was informed by Brattleboro Police Department that there was a potentially stolen trailer that they had at an ongoing traffic stop. Vermont Highway Patrol arrived on scene and started the investigation. Upon further investigation it was discovered that the trailer was indeed stolen. The operator was

not aware that he was utilizing a stolen trailer, so he was allowed to leave the scene. The trailer was seized, and arrangements were made so that the owner could retrieve the trailer.



- 10/01, I 91 S Hartford Rest Area, Inspector conducted a Level inspection on a tractor trailer combination. During the inspection it was found that the trailer brake lights were not operational. The combination was placed out of service.

Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

Traffic Enforcement:

- During the week of the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 25 inspections which resulted in 2 drivers and 4 vehicles being placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 09/28, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector placed a trailer out of service for a flat tire.
- 09/28, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector placed a trailer out of service for no operable brake lamps.
- 09/28, Lyndonville, Sergeant conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and located a tire with belt material showing between the tread and the sidewall, the violation did not meet the out of service criteria.
- 09/29, Inspector stopped a box truck on Route 7 in Rutland City. The carrier had an inactive United State Department of Transportation number and was placed out of service.
- 09/29, Inspector stopped a truck in Chittenden. The trailer was placed out of service for an improperly connected breakaway cable.



09/29, Coventry, Sergeant conducted an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle and found that one of the brakes was leaking from the air chamber, the truck escorted to the company shop in Derby as the out of service criteria of 20% defective brakes were met.

- 10/01, Waterbury, Inspector assisted the Vermont Drug Task Force with the execution of a search warrant on a residence.
- 10/02, Fair Haven Scale house, Inspector placed an intermodal chassis out of service as none of the four corners were secured.



- 10/02, Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector placed a trailer out of service as the front loader had no means to prevent articulation.



Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

HQ Sergeant:

New Entrant : Nothing to report.