



2020 INTERNATIONAL ROADCHECK: DRIVER REQUIREMENTS

The emphasis for 2020 International Roadcheck will be on roadside inspection driver requirements. The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) chose to focus on driver requirements this year to highlight the importance of this vital category of the roadside inspection process.

Violations of the following may render the commercial motor vehicle driver unqualified to drive and will preclude further operation of the vehicle by its driver for a specified amount of time or for some violations, until the required condition is met:

- » Driver's age
- » Commercial driver's license or operator's/chauffeur's license or permit
- » Driver medical/physical requirements
- » Sickness or fatigue
- » Intoxicating beverages and drugs and other substances
- » Driver's record of duty status – U.S., Canada or Mexico



These are the top 10 driver-related violations found during driver roadside inspections:

1. Failure to use a seat belt while operating a commercial motor vehicle
2. Record of duty status violation (general/form and manner)
3. Operating a property-carrying vehicle without a valid medical certificate
4. Operating a commercial motor vehicle without a CDL
5. False report of record of duty status
6. ELD – No record of duty status (ELD is required)
7. No medical certificate in driver's possession
8. Driver's record of duty status not current
9. Driver failed to maintain supply of blank records of duty status graph grids
10. Driver failed to maintain ELD instruction sheet

Total number of driver inspections:

3,355,425

Total number of driver violations:

944,794

Total number of out-of-service driver conditions:

195,545

Source: U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Motor Carrier Management Information System, Fiscal 2019 (Dec. 27, 2019)

Inspectors will check the following during the driver interview of a roadside inspection:

- Driver's license or commercial driver's license (class, endorsements and restrictions)
- Medical Examiner's Certificate and Skill Performance Evaluation Certificate, if applicable
- Record of duty status, if applicable and any supporting documents
- Illegal presence of alcohol, drugs, weapons or other contraband
- Illness, fatigue or other signs of impairment
- Seat belt usage and condition
- Evidence of periodic inspection
- Driver's daily vehicle inspection report, if applicable
- Carrier identification and status (USDOT/NSC Number, or jurisdictional equivalent)
- Operating authority, if applicable
- Vehicle registration(s)
- Proof of insurance
- Fuel tax permits, if applicable
- Shipping papers/bills of lading
- Special permits, if applicable
- Certificate for Mexico-domiciled motor carriers, if applicable



CVSA offers an industry-only weeklong training course on the driver requirements examined during a roadside inspection. This course is comparable to the training CVSA offers to its roadside inspectors, modified and optimized specifically for industry to provide a better understanding of driver-related regulatory requirements and out-of-service conditions. Visit www.cvsa.org/trainingpage/training for the 2020 industry training course schedule.