

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 02/20 I 91 Lyndon southbound rest area, 4 Inspectors and 1 Investigator screened 155 vehicles. 29 inspections were completed which resulted in 44 vehicle violations and 13 driver violations. 5 vehicles were placed out of service and 1 driver was placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 02/20 Lyndon southbound rest area, Inspector placed a commercial motor vehicle out of service for a load securement violation, the logs loaded onto the trailer required three straps due to their length and only two were present. The violation was repaired at scene.

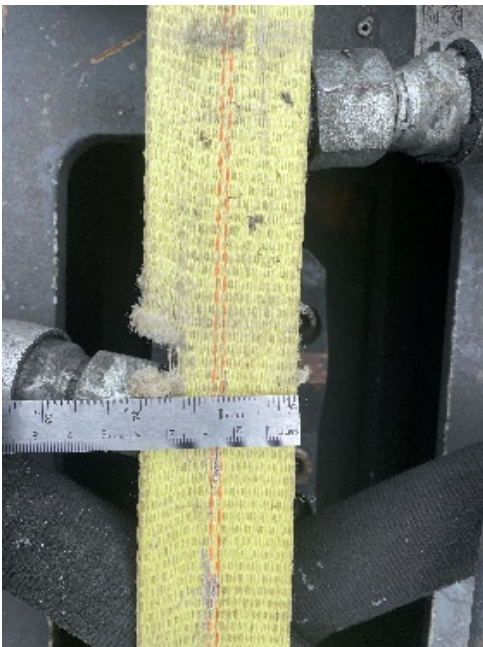


- 02/20 Lyndon Southbound rest area, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered an undocumented passenger within the cab. The driver did not possess written permission to have a passenger on board, permission was acquired through the carrier prior to departure of the detail.
- 2/20 Lyndon southbound rest area, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the rearmost right turn signal was inoperable. The trailer was placed out of service.

- 2/20 Lyndon southbound rest area, The Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a commercial motor vehicle that failed to obey traffic control devices and drove by the inspection site. An inspection was completed, and 10 vehicle and 2 driver violations were discovered, one of which the driver failed to have records of duty status. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours.



- 2/20 Lyndon detail. Inspector conducted an inspection and discovered an article failed to meet minimum tie-down requirements: Article less than 5 ft in length and more than 1100 lbs. was strapped with 1 defective tie-down and required two.



- 02/20 Lyndon southbound rest area, Inspector placed a commercial motor vehicle which was hauling hazardous materials out of service for a flat tire.
- 02/20 Lyndon southbound rest area, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle. The Inspection revealed a radial crack around a lower fifth wheel mounting plate mounting bolt. Also detected during the inspection was a loose suspension connecting rod mounting bolt on axle 2 of the tractor. The vehicle was placed out of service for the loose suspension component.



- 02/21 Glover Inspector stopped a commercial motor vehicle for traveling at 51mph in a 40mph zone. A level 3 inspection was completed, and a speeding violation was assessed to the driver.
- 2/21 Berlin. Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was in violation of their license restriction, operating a commercial motor vehicle without wearing their corrective lenses. The driver was placed out of service until they were obtained.



- 02/21 Montpelier Inspector stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a load securement violation. The load, which was not blocked or braced to prevent forward movement to the front required two straps and only one was present. The violation was repaired at scene.



- 02/22 Lunenburg Inspector stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a load securement violation, the driver failed to secure the logs prior to transport, the load also projected more than 4 feet from the back of the vehicle and required warning flags. The out of service violations were repaired at scene.



- 02/22 Lunenburg Inspector stopped a commercial motor vehicle, a level 2 inspection was completed, and the vehicle was placed out of service for inoperable trailer brakes and the driver was placed out of service for no hours of service when they were required. The driver had traveled from Indiana to Vermont and had not maintained a logbook.



- 02/22 Barton Inspector stopped a 6-axle commercial motor vehicle for a size and weight inspection. The combination was placed out of service for no warning flags on a projecting load, inoperable brake lamps on the trailer, bald tires, deflated air suspension bags and the truck was unable to build or maintain its air pressure while the service brakes were applied. The driver was found to have not submitted his medical card to

DMV and had the incorrect medical self-certification on file. The carrier was issued and VCVC and the combination was grounded.



- 02/22 Danville Inspector stopped the operator of a six-axle commercial motor vehicle was stopped for traveling at 66mph in a 50mph zone.
- 2/22 Coventry. Inspector conducted a traffic stop on an Interstate commercial motor vehicle for failure to display their marking as required. An inspection was completed, and it was discovered the breakaway was not attached to power unit, the trailer was missing hub cap allowing an open view into hub assembly, and the driver had no records of duty status. The trailer was placed out of service as well as the driver.



- 2/22 Coventry. Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a commercial motor vehicle whose trailer ABS Malfunction Indicator was steady burning indication a malfunction. An

inspection was completed, and it was discovered the driver was in violation of their license restriction, operating a commercial motor vehicle without wearing their corrective lenses. The driver was placed out of service until they were obtained.



- 2/22 Coventry. Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a commercial motor vehicle. An inspection was completed, and it was discovered the left rearmost turn signal was inoperable. The trailer was placed out of service.



- 2/23 Derby. Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a 2-axle flatbed commercial motor vehicle laden with a tractor for a size and weight inspection. It was discovered the commercial motor vehicle weighed 29,200 pounds, requiring the operator to possess a Class B commercial driver's license. The operator only possessed a Class D and was placed out of service.



- 2/23 Derby. Inspector conducted an inspection and discovered the commercial motor vehicle had a leak from an air chamber upon application of brake at the service side of the brake cannister (ruptured diaphragm).



New Entrant:

Passenger Vehicles:

- 02/22 Interstate 91 Barton a passenger vehicle passed Inspector who was operating an unmarked vehicle at 88mph, the operator of the passenger vehicle was stopped for the speeding violation. The driver was found to be displaying incorrect registration plates on their vehicle. A VCVC was issued, and the vehicle was grounded at the next exit until the vehicle was properly registered.
- 02/23 VT Rte. 100 Lowell the operator of a passenger vehicle passed Inspector who was operating an unmarked vehicle. The operator of the passenger vehicle passed on a corner,

at the time the roadway was wet from recent precipitation, and it was dark out. The operator was stopped and issued a VCVC for operating at 75mph in a 50mph zone.

Compliance Review:

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 2/20 – 6 Inspectors screened 310 commercial motor vehicles at the I 89 Williston SB rest area detail. 32 inspections were conducted. 48 violations detected (7 driver and 41 vehicle). 3 drivers and 8 vehicles were placed out of service.
- 2/22 – 4 Inspectors screened 189 commercial motor vehicles at the I 89 Georgia SB rest area detail. 18 inspections were conducted. 14 violations detected (3 driver and 11 vehicle). 1 driver and 1 vehicle were placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 2/20 – Cpl. stopped a box truck for failing to pull into the I89 Williston SB rest area truck safety inspection detail. The driver was placed out of service for not having a valid medical certificate with a prior violation for the same.



- 2/20 – Cpl. inspected an Interstate box truck at the I 89 Williston NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the carrier did not possess operating authority to transport household goods and the driver did not possess a valid medical card and had been cited in the past six months for the same. Both the vehicle and the driver were placed for the infractions.



- 2/20 – Cpl. stopped a box truck on I 89 in Williston for a vehicle defect. The inspection revealed the carrier's state operating authority was suspended. The box truck was grounded for the violation.



2/20 – Cpl. inspected a tractor trailer at the I 89 NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the rearmost stop lamps on the trailer were inoperative. The trailer was placed out of service for the infraction.



- 2/20 - Cpl. inspected a tractor trailer hauling hazardous materials at the I 89 Williston NB rest area detail. The trailer was placed out of service for inoperable brake lamps.



- 2/20 - Cpl. inspected an Interstate box truck at the I 89 Williston NB rest area detail. The driver was placed out of service as he was prohibited from performing safety sensitive functions in the drug and alcohol clearinghouse.



- 2/20 – Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the I 89 Williston NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the rearmost stop lamps on the trailer were inoperative. The trailer was placed out of service for the defect.



- 2/20 – Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the I 89 Williston NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the power connection to the trailer was dragging on the ground and

all lights on the trailer were inoperable. The trailer was placed out of service for the violation.



- 2/20 – Insp. inspected a truck hauling a trailer at the I 89 Willston NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the heavy machine was not secured properly, the driver did not have any record of duty status, and the combination was over the trucks registered weight. Both the driver and the vehicle were placed out of service and the carrier was forced permitted due to weight infraction.



- 2/21 – Cpl. stopped a tractor trailer VT Rte. 22a in Orwell for an equipment violation. The truck tractor was placed out of service as the service glad hand hose had a hole in it and was leaking air when the service brakes were applied.



- 2/22 – Cpl. stopped a truck and trailer combination operating on VT Rte. 22a in Orwell for a speeding infraction. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service as one tire was rubbing up against the trailer and one wheel was missing 2 out of 8-wheel fasteners. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for no record of duty status. The driver and passenger claimed they didn't need logs because they are team drivers, which was an inaccurate interpretation of the rule.



- 2/22 – Cpl. stopped a tractor trailer operating on VT Rte. 22a in Orwell for a speeding infraction. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was placed out of service for no record of duty status when one is required.

- 2/23 - Cpl. stopped a tractor trailer on US Rte. 4 in Fair Haven for an equipment issue. The truck tractor was placed out of service as the right-side steer axle brake lining was cracked and separated for over 3 inches.



- 2/23 – Cpl. stopped an interstate box truck on VT Rte. 22a in Fair Haven for a speed infraction. The driver was placed out of service for having no record of duty status, being prohibited from operating under the drug and alcohol clearinghouse, and for being in possession of marijuana in a commercial vehicle. The driver was ticketed for the



possession of marijuana.

- 2/23 – Insp stopped a straight truck on I 89 in Waterbury for an equipment violation. A portable weigh and inspection were conducted and the vehicle was found to be 15,300 lbs over the road limits. The carrier did not possess and overweight permit. A ticket was issued to the carrier for overweight infraction.



- 2/23 - Cpl. stopped a tractor trailer on I 89 in Colchester for an equipment violation. The carrier's state operating authority was suspended, and the combination was grounded.



Safety Audits

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 2/20, I-91 N, Guilford Weigh Station. 6 Inspectors screened 227 vehicles resulting in 29 inspections. There were 12 driver violations (1 out of service) and 18 vehicle violations (4 out of service).
- 2/23, I-91 S, Putney Scale House. 5 Inspectors screened 158 vehicles. Resulting in 12 inspections. There were 1 driver and 11 vehicle violations. Two vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 2/20, Inspector stopped an Interstate box truck that failed to stop at the truck safety inspection site. The truck was laden, and the carrier had no operating authority. The truck was placed out of service.



- 2/20, Sr. Cpl. conducted an inspection on a tractor-trailer that stopped at the truck safety inspection site in Guilford. During the inspection it was found that the tractor front turn signals were not working, and the blue service air hose pictured below was chafed through rubber and reinforcement fabric. It was found that four out of its eight rear trailer tires had Out of Service violations, two of the four had worn or damaged exposing metal belts material showing in tread and the other two had less than 2/32 tread depth in two major tread groups. The Tractor Trailer was placed out of service in combination. All defects were fixed at the scene by a mechanical service provider.



- 2/20, Inspector stopped a tractor-trailer that failed to stop at the truck safety inspection site. The driver was “Off Duty” at the time of the stop had had been since 2/17 in NY. There was over 160 unaccounted for miles while the driver was “Off Duty” and he admitted to unplugging his electronic logging device. The driver was placed out of service for a false log.



- 2/20, Inspector stopped an interstate box truck that failed to stop at the safety inspection site. The operator had no medical card. The carrier had no operating authority and was loaded with treadmills for delivery. The truck was placed out of service.



- 2/21, Inspector stopped a truck towing a skid steer in Woodstock. The skid steer weighed over 11,000 pounds and was not secured per requirements (out of service). The emergency

breakaway cable was not attached to the truck (out of service). The truck was registered for 11,099 but had an actual weight of 33,100 after a portable weigh.



- 2/21, Inspector stopped a truck and trailer combination in Woodstock for inspection. The combination required a Class A Commercial Driver License, which the driver did not have. The emergency breakaway cable was not connected and there were loose wood planks on the trailer. The driver and trailer were placed out of service and escorted to the job site.



- 2/21, Inspector stopped a truck and trailer on Route 4 in Mendon for improper load securement. The front-end loader weighed 18,000 lbs. and was not secured with 4 points of

attachment, there was no securement that prevents articulation, and the forks / bucket were not secured to the deck, placing the trailer out of service. The driver was able to add more binders and continue.



- 2/22, Inspector stopped a truck and trailer combination in Mendon. The combination required a Class A Commercial Driver License, which the operator did not have. The driver was placed out of service and the truck escorted to the shop.



- 2/22, Cpl. assisted by Inspector conducted industry outreach training in Manchester. The training covered cargo securement along with a question-and-answer session and demonstration of a Level 2 inspection to industry partners.



- 2/23, Cpl. discovered multiple lighting violations, a loose 5th wheel fastener, and a flat tire on an interstate combination in foreign commerce. The trailer was placed out-of-service for no brake lights, no right rear turn signal and a flat tire.

