# Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit

# NORTHEAST SECTOR:

# Details:

- 02/28, Ryegate Rest Area, I 91 North. Four Inspectors screened 122 vehicles. Nineteen inspections were completed. Six vehicle (three out of service) and six driver violations were discovered.
- 03/02, Waterford Welcome Center, I 93 North. Four Inspectors screened 75 vehicles. Nine inspections were completed. Four vehicle and three driver (one out of service) violations were discovered. Detail was closed early as Inspectors responded to numerous CMV related incidents- slide offs, etc.

### Crashes:

• 02/28, Saint Johnsbury I 91. Inspectors responded to a single vehicle CMV crash. There were no reported injuries.



• 03/02, Sheffield I 91. Inspectors responded to a weather-related crash of a CMV. The CMV had jackknifed and was blocking the interstate lanes resulting in the interstate being shutdown for approximately four hours. A Level 2 inspection was completed.



# Notables:

• 03/01, VT Rte 114 Brighton. An Inspector conducted a Level 2 inspection on a six-axle CMV transporting logs. The CMV was placed out of service for improper load securement and the driver was provided guidance on the regulations.

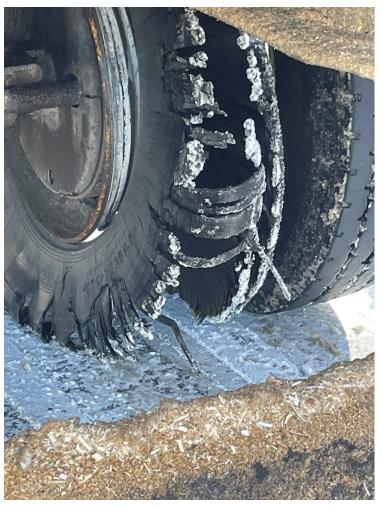


• 03/01 I 91 Coventry. An Inspector on patrol observed the operator of a CMV talking on a cellphone. A Level 3 inspection was completed and the driver was issued a ticket for the violation.

• 03/02 US Rte 2 Danville. An Inspector stopped a CMV transporting logs. The CMV was not properly registered and the laden weight made the CMV a Class B CDL required vehicle. The CMV was grounded until properly registered and a properly classed driver was available to operate it.



- 03/02, I 93 Waterford. An Inspector assisted with a two axle box truck that had slid off the road. A tow truck was called to pull it back onto the roadway.
- 03/03, US Rte 302 Ryegate. An Inspector observed a CMV with a blown out tire. A Level 2 inspection was completed and the trailer was placed out of service for the tire and a defective turn signal at the rear of the vehicle.



• 03/03 Vt Rte 147 Norton. An Inspector weighed a CMV transporting bark mulch. The CMV was found to be 9,000lbs over its permitted weight limit. An Inspection was completed and a ticket was issued to the company.



# **SOUTH SECTOR:**

### Details:

- 3/1/23 Springfield Northbound. 3 inspectors screened 102 vehicles and completed 7 inspections. There was 1 driver violation (OOS) and 5 vehicle violation (1 OOS). A total of 3 VCVC's were issued with \$1,401 of fines.
- 3/2/23 White River JCT Southbound 5 Inspectors screened 105 vehicles, resulting in 9 inspections. Delayed opening due to a heavy snow squall. There were 4 vehicle violations including one OOS.

### Notables:

• 2/27, Inspector responded to a CMV vs Amtrak Train collision in Sharon, VT. The driver of the CMV attempted to cross the tracks at an unguarded crossing. The train engine collided with the trailer and separated it from the truck tractor. The Amtrak train had 66 passengers on board and 5 crew members. There were no injuries, and the collision did not derail the train. The train was brought to WRJ where the passengers were able to get off. The tracks were inspected by New England Central Railroad. The driver was issued a VCVC. The truck tractor was driven from the scene after a post-crash inspection was completed.





• On 03/01 at a detail in Springfield, Inspector discovered an air brake can that had rusted through causing holes in the spring cover. The truck also had several leaks in the trailer mounted air reservoir. The violations placed the trailer out of service, which was later repaired on scene.



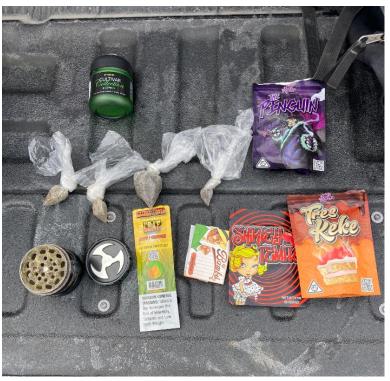
• On 3/1 Inspector assisted VSP with a TT unit that had slid off the shoulder on I91N in Brattleboro. No injuries or damage were reported.

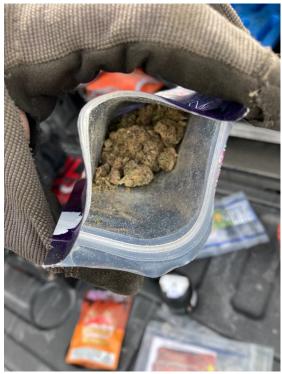


• 3/1, Inspectors discovered a missing rear impact guard during an inspection at the Springfield Detail. This is a violation only and does not meet the out of service criteria.



- 3/1, Inspector was travelling on I89 N when he was passed by a vehicle at a speed of approximately 100 MPH. A traffic stop was conducted, and investigation revealed the operator had a suspended license. The operator was issued 2 VCVC's and the vehicle was grounded.
- 3/1, Inspector seized a total of 1.28 oz of marijuana from a 2 axle box truck transporting mattresses from Massachusetts to Vermont. The marijuana was stashed in a backpack between the driver and passenger seats. A VCVC was issued for possession by a commercial driver, which carried a fine of \$622. The driver was placed OOS for 24 hours.





• On 3/2, Inspector handled a jackknifed TT unit on I91S in Hartland. No injuries or damaged was reported.



•3/2, Inspector located a locking pin on a sliding trailer

suspension that was not engaged. The condition did not meet the out of service criteria. The driver corrected the problem before continuing.



# **NORTHWEST SECTOR:**

Details:

• 3/2 Ira, US Rte. 4, 4 Inspector screened 206 vehicles. They completed 19 inspections which resulted in 12 vehicle and 6 driver violations. 1 driver and 2 vehicles were placed out of service.

# Crashes:

• 3/1 Inspector was notified of a crash involving a commercial motor vehicle that occurred in South Burlington. The vehicles involved were already towed from the scene and the scene itself was cleared. The driver of a pickup truck collided with a commercial motor vehicle, essentially totaling both vehicles. No serious injuries were reported. The post-crash inspection was conducted in Williston.



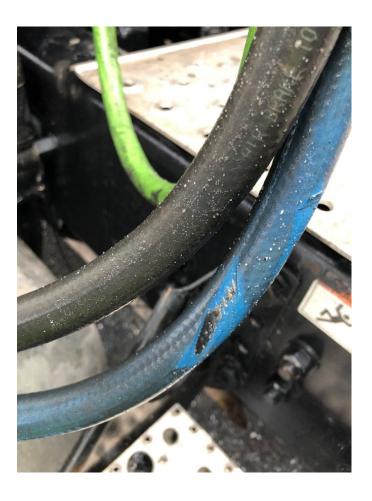


# Notables:

• 3/1 Inspector stopped and inspected a truck and trailer on Rte. 22a in Orwell. The carrier had no US DOT number as required, the driver did not have a medical certificate and no logs. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for not having a record of duty status as required. The operator/owner originates from Texas.



• 3/2 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The vehicle was placed out of service in combination for a worn brake hose.



• 3/2 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The flatbed trailer was place out of service for loose items such as small metal slabs that could have fallen onto the highway.



• 3/2 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer as the driver failed to pull into the truck safety inspection site at the Ira detail. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for having a false log. The driver drove from PA to NY and VT while off duty.



• 3/3 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer for speeding on Rte. 22a in Orwell. An inspection was conducted, and the carrier was grounded as their privilege to operate in Vermont was suspended.



• 3/3 Inspector stopped and inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 22a in Orwell. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire that was leaking air from a hole in the tread.

