

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Report 3/18/2023

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 02/28, Ryegate Rest Area, I 91 South. Four Inspectors screened 108 vehicles. Eleven inspections were completed. Thirteen vehicle (one out of service) violations were discovered.

Notables:

- 03/14 Secor Inspectors began their shift at 0400 to assist with inclement weather related incidents. Assists were made to VSP Derby and St Johnsbury at crashes/slideoffs.
- 3/15 Royalton, Vt Rte 107. An Inspector stopped a CMV for inspection and placed the CMV out of service for an inoperative turn signal at the rear of the CMV.



- 03/16 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection discovered a defective (broken) leaf spring. The violation did not meet the out of service criteria so it was noted and needed to be repaired prior to next dispatch.



- 03/16 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducted an inspection on a four-axle CMV transporting timbers. The carrier was not registered with USDOT. There were no previous cites for this carrier. A Level 2 inspection was completed and the carrier was given guidance on how to register.
- 03/16 Colchester detail. An Inspector stopped a CMV for failing to stop for inspection at the detail. A Level 2 inspection was completed. The carrier was not registered with USDOT for interstate operations and the driver did not have a valid medical card. As the carrier has a previous cite for failure to register with USDOT, the CMV was placed out of service.



SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- No details this week.

Notables:

- Inspector came upon a tractor trailer that had jackknifed on I 89 near exit 3. The trailer was completely across both north bound lanes and closed the highway. Inspector Cuttita coordinated with AOT and Sabil and Sons to resolve the situation. The CMV had slid backwards down the hill after spinning out and was not damaged, after being straightened out the vehicle drove away.



- 3/16, inspected a 2-axle box truck and found no fuel filler pipe cap, a cracked windshield, missing wheel fasteners, a suspended NY State drivers' license, no medical certificate (w/ prior history) and no driver logs. The driver was placed OOS for no logs and no medical certificate, and the vehicle placed OOS for two missing wheel fasteners on an eight-lug wheel.





- 3/16, inspected an interstate vehicle and discovered clearance lights not working, no fuel filler pipe cap, improper DOT markings and no ELD. The driver reported an ELD malfunction 19 days earlier and continued to use paper logs. The driver was placed OOS for no ELD when required.

Passenger Vehicles:

- No activity reported.

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 3/17 Colchester Weigh Station, I 89 North, 7 Inspector screened 495 vehicles. They completed 28 inspections which resulted in 29 vehicle and 8 driver violations. Six vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.

Notables:

- 3/14 assisted VSP with multiple vehicle slide offs on Rte 116 in Hinesburg during the snow storm event.

- 3/14 assisted VTrans with a truck which had gotten stuck on I 89 near the Colchester Weigh Station



- 3/15 assisted VSP with a slide off on I 89 in Richmond near the rock ledges.
- 3/15 assisted VSP with several vehicles which had gotten stuck on Government Hill Rd in Middlesex. The vehicles involved were a pickup, a fuel tank truck and a Montpelier FD ambulance. All vehicles were eventually removed after Middlesex public works was able to sand the roadway. A level 2 inspection was conducted on the fuel tank truck.



- 3/16 stopped a propane tanker truck while at the Colchester detail. The rear passenger side brakes on the tanker would not release and were smoking. The brakes were measured at temperatures exceeding 450 degrees. A level 2 inspection was conducted and the vehicle was placed out of service.



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