COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (10/3-10/9) NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 10/5 Colchester NB, I-89, 7 Inspectors screened 408 vehicles. They completed 32 inspections which resulted in 39 vehicle and 7 driver violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service.
- 10/7 Ira WB, US Rte 4W, 4 Inspectors screened 138 vehicles. They completed 12 inspections which resulted in 14 vehicle and 4 driver violations. One vehicle and one driver were placed out of service.
- 10/7 Highgate POE, I-89, 2 Inspectors, and 1 FMCSA SI screened 65 vehicles. They completed 12 inspections which resulted in 7 vehicle violations. One vehicle was placed out of service.

Crashes:

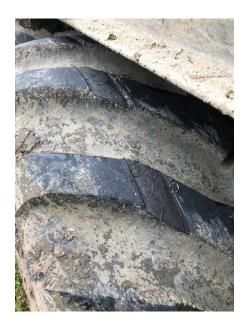
Nothing to report.

Notables:

• 10/4 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer on VT Rte. 22A in Orwell. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a hub that was leaking lubricant and had contaminated the brake friction surface.



• 10/4 Inspector stopped a farm truck on VT Rte 22A in Addison as a rear tire was burning and smoking. It was found that the dump body was resting on one of the tires and digging into the tread causing it to smoke, burn, and wear down that tire. The driver had forgotten to raise the rear suspension prior to leaving the farm. This was rectified and the farmer continued on.



• 10/5 Inspector stopped several drive-by commercial vehicles while on DMV's electric motorcycle at the Colchester detail.



- 10/5 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The inspection revealed an air hose was leaking and the leak was not at a proper connection and the steer axle brake canisters were mismatched as to diameter. The truck was placed out of service for repair.
- 10/5 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a faulty tractor protection valve.
- 10/5 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The carrier was grounded as their privilege to operate in Vermont was suspended.



- 10/6 Inspector conducted a direct patrol-special assignment during rush hour traffic on I89 in the Burlington area, which was done off DMV's electric motorcycle. Several operators were stopped in the course of 2 hours, including a passenger vehicle which was going 106 mph in the 55 mph zone near exit 15 in Winooski. This passenger vehicle had been racing a motorcycle, which was not located. This driver was issued a ticket.
- 10/7 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The driver was placed out of service as his CDL was disqualified.



• 10/7 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The trailer was placed out of service as it had an inner hub smoking, grease leaking out, and the inner seal missing, causing bearing failure.



• 10/8 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 22A in Shoreham. The trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a flat tire and for a hub that was leaking grease and contaminating the brake friction surface. The driver was placed out of service as he was prohibited from operating under the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.



Passenger Carrier:

• Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 9/28 Ryegate, I-91 North. Three Inspectors screened 118 vehicles. Nine inspections were completed. Ten vehicle (one out of service) and three driver violations were discovered.
- 9/30 Wenlock Crossing, Vt Rte 105. Four Inspectors screened 58 vehicles. Twelve inspections were completed. Thirteen vehicle (one out of service) and one driver violations were discovered.

Crashes:

Nothing to report.

Notables:

• 9/28 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection of a five axle CMV discovered a cracks in the upper fifth wheel plate. The CMV was placed out of service in combination and a ticket was issued to the company.



 9/28 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducted a Level 2 inspection on a seven axle CMV transporting a large piece of machinery. A permit check was conducted. The CMV was found to be operating outside its permit specificiations. The CMV was grounded until a proper permit was secured.



• 9/28 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection of a five axle CMV placed the CMV out of service for a defective frame. The frame had a crack extending to and around the radius. A ticket was issued to the company.



• 9/30 Lemington, Vt Rte 102. An Inspector stopped an overdimension CMV for operating without proper flagging on the projecting points. A Level 2 inspection was completed. The vehicle was properly permited. The CMV was grounded until flags arrived on scene and were properly mounted on the load. Education was provided to the operator.

• 9/30 Wenlock detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection discovered a defective tire. The tire was part of a dual set and did not meet the out of service criteria.



New Entrant:

• Fifteen carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Three audits completed. 33.75 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

• 9/28 Saint Johnsbury. An Inspector completed eight Level 5 inspections on passenger vehicle CMVs. No violations were discovered.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 10/5 Bradford. I-91S, 4 Inspectors screened 92 vehicles. They completed 8 inspections which resulted in 8 vehicle violations and 1 driver violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service and 1 driver was placed out of service.
- 10/7 White River Junction. I-91S, 5 Inspectors screened 237 vehicles. They completed 13 inspections which resulted in 43 vehicle violations, and 3 driver violations. Seven vehicles were placed out of service and 1 driver was placed out of service.



Crashes:

• 10/8 Inspector responded to a tractor trailer vs pickup truck on I91 MM4/80 SB in the Town of Guilford. The pickup truck was traveling south in the right lane and tried to cut across from the right thru the left lane and into the U-turn at MM4/80. The tractor trailer was traveling southbound in the left lane passing another CMV when the pickup truck cut in front of him. The pickup truck was at fault for the crash. A level 1 inspection was completed on the CMV.



• 10/8 Inspectors responded to a tractor trailer rollover on VT Rte 11 in Londonderry. The fully loaded tractor trailer went too far right and went onto the soft shoulder which caused the vehicle to roll over. A wrecker recovered the vehicle which had to be off loaded before up righted. A level 1 post-crash inspection will be completed Monday morning.



Notables:

• 10/4 Inspector discovered a crack in a suspension mounting bracket during a level 1 inspection. The CMV was placed out of service.



• 10/5 Inspector discovered a CDL class A required vehicle was being operated by an owner/operator with a class D license at the Bradford detail. The driver was placed out of service and the vehicle was grounded until a driver with the proper license could remove the vehicle.



• 10/5 Inspector discovered an unsecure load during a level 2 inspection at the Bradford detail. The driver had placed a diesel can on the tongue of the trailer with no securement.



- 10/5 Inspector completed a Level 1 inspection on a 5-axle combination vehicle in Bradford and found an audible air leak and a flat tire on the intermodal chassis. The vehicle was placed out of service resulting from the flat tire but inflated roadside and placed back in service.
- 10/7 Inspector discovered a placarding violation during a hazmat inspection at the White River SB detail. The CMV displayed Dangerous placards, but the shipment contained only 1 hazardous material. Use of the Dangerous placard requires at least 2 hazardous materials. The driver was educated on the regulation and displayed the proper placard before continuing.



• 10/7 Inspector completed a Level 3 inspection on a Ford F350/trailer combination vehicle; the combination gross vehicle weight rating was 30,400 lbs. The driver did not possess a class A CDL and was placed Out of Service.



• 10/7 Inspector completed a Level 1 inspection on a 6-axle garbage hauler in Hartford and found a hub oil leak and a flat tire on the trailer. The vehicle was placed Out of Service resulting from the flat tire; the tire was inflated roadside and placed back in service.



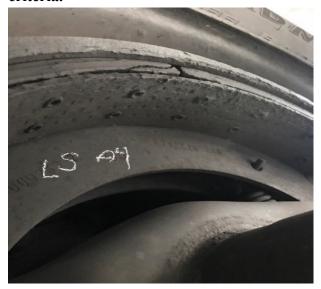
• 10/7 Inspector discovered a gouge in the side wall of a tire while conducting a level 2 inspection at the Hartford detail. The damage was found to extend into the plies.



• 10/7 Inspector discovered an emergency brake line that was taped, the driver was questioned and admitted he had taped "cracks" in the rubber casing. The damage extended through the rubber casing and the reinforcement ply had begun to fray.



• 10/7 Inspector discovered cracks in multiple brake liners that exceeded 1/16" the CMV was placed out of service for the 3 full defects and the 20% brake criteria.



• 10/7 Inspector discovered a rusted exhaust pipe during a level 1 inspection at the Hartford detail. The damaged section was located under the cab of the truck but was not leaking into the occupant compartment, the defect was noted as a violation.



• 10/7 Inspector discovered two inner wheel seal leaks on a box truck while conducting a level 1 inspection at the Hartford detail. The leak contaminated the braking surface of 2 of the 4 brake drums. The CMV was placed out of service until the issues could be corrected.



New Entrant:

• Nothing to report.

Passenger Carrier:

• Nothing to report.