

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (5/23-5/29)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- **5/25 Williston NB, I-89, 6 Inspectors, and one FMCSA SI screened 373 vehicles. They completed 30 inspections which resulted in 39 vehicle and 4 driver violations. Eight vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.**
- **5/26 Cambridge, VT Rte 104, 2 Inspectors screened 43 vehicles. They completed 8 inspections which resulted in 4 vehicle violations. One vehicle was placed out of service.**
- **5/27 Highgate POE, I-89, 2 Inspectors, and one FMCSA SI screened 87 vehicles. They completed 12 inspections which resulted in 8 vehicle and 6 driver violations. One vehicle was placed out of service.**



- **5/27 Leicester SB, US Rte 7, 3 Inspectors screened 92 vehicles. They completed 19 inspections which resulted in 16 vehicle and 4 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service.**

Crashes:

- **Nothing to report.**

Notables:

- **5/24 Inspector attended the 2021 summer Click It or Ticket kickoff event at the Charlotte, VT to Essex, NY ferry crossing.**



- **5/24 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte. 22A in Shoreham for speeding. An inspection was conducted and the driver was placed out of service for a false log.**



- **5/24 Inspector stopped an interstate box truck for an inoperable headlight on I89 in Colchester. The carrier had no USDOT # and the driver had no log.**



- **5/24 Inspector stopped a box truck on VT Rte. 22A in Bridport for speeding. An inspection was conducted and the driver was placed out of service for not having a valid medical certificate as required and having a prior violation for the same.**



- **5/25 Inspector inspected an interstate truck hauling explosives at the Williston detail. The vehicle was placed out of service for a flat tire.**



- **5/25 Inspector inspected an oversize load at the Williston detail. The carrier was only displaying one sign and no flags. They had no oversize permit. The trailer placed out of service for an inoperable turn signal and load securement. The carrier was ticketed and the load was grounded until properly permitted.**



- **5/25 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer hauling hazardous materials at the Williston detail. The trailer was missing placards and ID #s on one side. In addition, 3 ID numbers misrepresented the material on board. The trailer was placed out of service until the hazardous communications were correct.**



- **5/25 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The trailer was placed out of service for an unsecured spare tire.**



- **5/25 Inspector inspected a box truck at the Williston detail. The inspection revealed the carrier had been suspended in VT. The carrier was ticketed for the infraction and grounded until they were reinstated.**
- **5/25 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The inspection discovered multiple brake violations on the truck to include an air leak on axle 1 at the hose side of the connection. The truck tractor was placed out of service for the air leak not at a proper connection. The carrier was ticketed.**



- **5/26 Inspector stopped a roll off truck on US Rte. 7 in Colchester. The rear of the container was not secured at all. The vehicle was placed out of service until the container was properly secured.**



- **5/26 Inspector stopped an intrastate truck and trailer on I89 in Colchester. The truck and trailer both had expired state inspections. The trailer was placed out of service for an improper breakaway connection. The carrier was ticketed.**



- **5/26 Cpl. Morris inspected a tractor trailer at the Cambridge detail. The operator advised the trailer was loaded with sand and presented a 99000 pound overweight permit. A measurement was taken, and the combination did not have the 51 foot axle spread required to operate under the permit as the spread was only 45 feet. A portable weigh was conducted, and the carrier was ticketed for being 9000 pounds overweight on a valid 90000 pound permit.**



- **5/27 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at Highgate POE detail. The inspection revealed a tire was flat on the loaded trailer. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.**



- **5/28 Inspector, along with VT state police, responded to the report of a box truck stuck in the Main St covered bridge in Waitsfield. Upon arrival, the truck had damaged the bridge and was wedged against the roof supports. The driver was in intrastate travel and the truck being operated did not require a commercial's driver's license. The driver advised it was his oversight and commented he was unaware the truck would not fit under the posted 9'6" max height. A wrecker responded to the scene to remove the truck and town officials conferred with a state engineer to check for severe damage that would prohibit further vehicle traffic. The truck driver was ticketed for failure to obey traffic control devices and an overweight infraction.**



- **5/28 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte. 22A in Orwell for an inoperable headlamp. An inspection was conducted and the trailer was placed out of service for a flat tire that had a large cut in the sidewall. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a leaking wheel seal that contaminated the brake friction surface. The carrier was ticketed for the tire violation.**





Passenger Carrier:

- Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- **5/25 I-91, Ryegate NB. Four inspectors screened 118 vehicles. They completed Four Level 1 and five Level 2 inspections. Ten vehicle (three out of service) and two driver (two out of service) violations were discovered.**
- **5/27 Operation Dark Wing, Essex County. Five Inspectors conducted low profile patrol in Essex County focusing on operating authority/ CDL required CMV tradesman violations. One Level 1, three Level two, and one Level 3 inspections were completed. Thirteen vehicle (three out of service) and two driver (one out of service) violations were discovered.**

Crashes:

- Nothing to report.

Notables:

- **5/24 St Johnsbury, VT Rte 18. An Inspector stopped and weighed a CMV. The CMV, a four axle dump truck, did not have an excess weight permit. The CMV was found to be 18,000 lbs over permitted road limits. An inspection was completed, the CMV was forced to offload, and a ticket was issued to the company.**



- **5/24 US Rte 2, East Montpelier. An Inspector stopped a four-axle dump truck for a permit check/portable weigh. The CMV was weighed on portable scales and found to be 67,200 lbs without a permit. The CMV was force permitted.**



- **5/25 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 1 inspection on a CMV placed the CMV and its driver out of service. The CMV was placed out of service for improper load securment- bags of seed on top of tank not properly secured. The driver of the CMV was placed out of service for not possessing at least a Class B CDL. The CMV had a GVWR of 25,995 lbs. The CMV, which was laden with hydroseed, weighed 27,500 lbs. The bags of seed were properly secured and the driver, at the carrier's direction, offloaded product until it was under 26,001 lbs.**



- **5/25 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducted a Level 2 inspection on a six axle CMV transporting wood chips. The CMV was weighed on portable scales and found to weigh 27,000 lbs over road limits without an excess weight permit. The CMV was force permitted and a ticket was issued to the company.**



- **5/26 DMV's K9 Annie and K9 Jonah completed their annual tracking recertification in Brownington. K9 Jonah is seen below cooling down.**



- **5/26 Fairlee, US Rte 5. An Inspector stopped and weighed a CMV. The driver of the CMV did not possess at least a Class B CDL. The driver was placed out of service.**



- **5/27 Concord, US Rte 2. An Inspector stopped a CMV for a Title 23 violation for wood products load securement. The CMV, a two-axle truck transporting firewood, had pieces of firewood above the sideboards of the body. The CMV was registered for 25,999 lbs. The firewood was green and appeared freshly cut. The tires and suspension were squatted so the CMV was weighed on portable scales. The CMV was found to weigh 30,200 lbs. The operator of the CMV was only in possession of a Class D license. A Level 2 inspection was completed. The driver was placed out of service for not possessing a CDL and the vehicle was placed out of service for no operable emergency brake.**



- **5/27 Concord, US Rte 2. An Inspector stopped a CMV for improper markings. A Level 2 inspection was completed.**



- **5/28 Berkshire, VT Rte 105. An Inspector stopped and weighed a CMV transporting a piece of equipment. The CMV was found to be under-registered by 14,000 lbs. A ticket was issued to the company.**



- **5/28 Coventry, US Rte 5. An Inspector stopped a CMV for improper load securement and a portable weigh. The CMV was found to be under registered for weight. The carrier was issued a ticket for improper load securement and advised the process to increase the registered weight on the CMV.**



New Entrant:

- **Twelve carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Four audits completed. 30.25 hours.**

Passenger Vehicles:

- **No activity reported.**

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- **5/24 Sharon, I-89N, 7 Inspectors completed seven inspections resulting in 9 vehicle and 3 driver violations. One driver and one vehicle were placed out of service.**



- **5/27 US Rte 7 South, Emerald Lake Dorset, 5 Inspectors screened 79 vehicles and weighed 4 vehicles. They completed 5 inspections resulting in 11 vehicle violations and one driver violation. One driver and one vehicle were placed out of service.**

Crashes:

- **No crashes reported.**

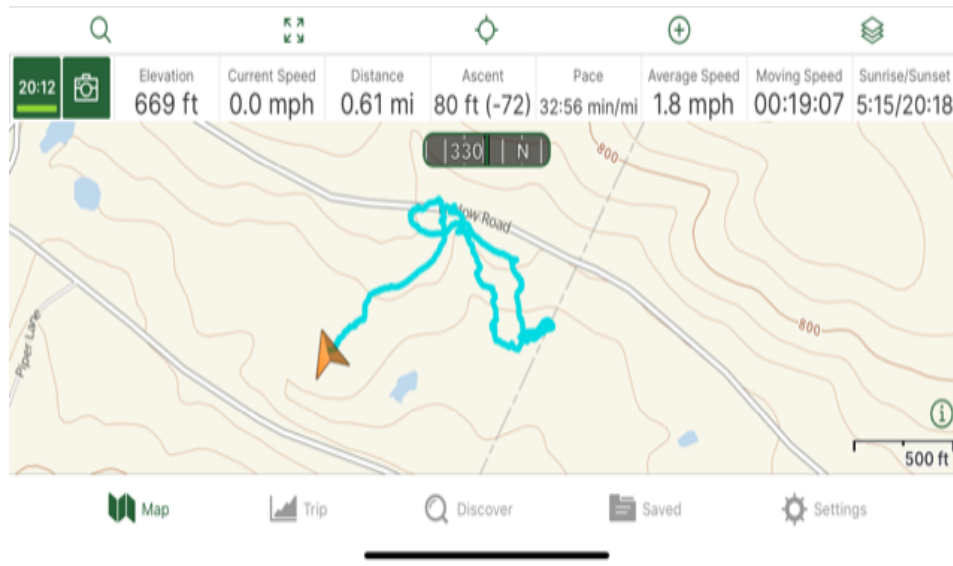
Notables:

- **5/24 Inspectors participated in a traffic enforcement detail on VT Route 100 in Pittsfield.**



- **5/25 Inspectors assisted VSP Royalton in Sharon with a K9 track. Troopers on scene reported that a suspect who was in violations of conditions of release**

resisted arrest and assaulted a Trooper. The suspect fled the scene by jumping down into a ravine and fleeing. K9 Annie acquired a scent from multiple scent articles left at the scene and tracked the offender through a ravine to an open field. K9 Annie and the tracking team were able to flush the subject out the perimeter where he was taken into custody without incident.



- **5/24 Inspector stopped a truck and trailer on US Route 7a in Arlington for unsecured plastic pipe on a trailer with a mini excavator. During the stop it was determined the driver did not have the proper CDL license. The driver had a Class B when a Class A was required. The truck and trailer were grounded until the carrier could find a proper driver.**

- **5/26 Inspector located loose lower fifth wheel mounting bolts during an inspection in Cambridge. Two adjacent wheel fasteners were also loose so the vehicle was placed out of service.**



- **5/27 Inspector conducted a level 1 inspection at the Emerald Lake detail from a CMV who failed to stop and drove by the detail. The truck, trailer, and driver were ultimately placed out of service. The driver presented paper logs that were found to be false, and investigation revealed the driver was required to have an ELD but did not. The truck had a defective carrier bearing on the drive shaft, was unable to maintain air pressure in the brake system and one of the exhaust stacks were held on with burnt electrical wire. The trailer had a missing hub cap allowing open view into the hub assembly and a brake chamber with an audible air leak from a blown diaphragm.**



- **5/27 Inspector pulled a one-ton truck over at the Emerald Lake detail to check its registered weigh as it was loaded with crushed stone. The truck was only registered for 8,099 lbs. and had a portable scale weight of 16,000 lbs. The owner was of the truck was educated on proper registration procedures and then contacted DMV to increase the weight that day.**

New Entrant:

- **Inspector continued to work on New Entrant Audits. Two Audits were completed and uploaded to the FMCSA. Three additional new entrant safety audits started.**

Passenger Vehicle:

- **Nothing to report.**