

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (6/20-6/26)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- **6/22 Fair Haven Haz-Mat Blitz, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors and 1 DMV safety investigator screened 104 vehicles. They completed 12 inspections which resulted in 21 vehicle and 10 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service.**
- **6/23 Fair Haven Haz-Mat Blitz, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors and 1 DMV safety investigator screened 110 vehicles. They completed 22 inspections which resulted in 20 vehicle and 4 driver violations. One driver and one vehicle were placed out of service.**
- **6/24 Fair Haven Haz-Mat Blitz, US Rte 4, 5 Inspectors screened 94 vehicles. They completed 9 inspections which resulted in 10 vehicle and 2 driver violations.**

Crashes:

- **Nothing to report.**

Notables:

- **6/21 Inspector stopped a straight truck operating on I89 in Colchester for a load securement infraction. An inspection was conducted and the truck was placed out of service as the pneumatic arm on the excavator was not secured down to the truck. The driver remedied the defect.**



- **6/22 Inspector inspected an interstate box truck at the Fair Haven detail. The driver was found to be in violation of the 14 hr rule at the time of inspection. The driver was placed out of service and the co driver took over operation.**



- **6/22 Inspector inspected a tow truck at the Fair Haven detail. The carrier was grounded as they were suspended in Vermont.**



- **6/25 Inspector stopped a truck hauling a water tank on US Rte. 7 in Colchester. The vehicle was pouring water all over the roadway. The driver was unaware that some piping had become unconnected in transit, causing an open flow out**

of the tank. The vehicle was not subject to the FMCSRs and the driver was able to reconnect the piping, stopping the leak.



- 6/25 Inspector stopped an interstate tractor trailer for speeding (+16 mph) on I89 in Colchester. The driver was found to have a false log. The driver was ticketed.



Passenger Carrier:

- **Nothing to report.**

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- **6/22 Ryegate Rest Area, I-91 North. Five inspectors screened 130 vehicles. Twenty inspections were completed. Thirty-one vehicle (five out of service) and four driver violations were discovered.**
- **6/23 Derby Line Port of Entry, I-91 South. Four Inspectors conducted eleven (six hazardous materials) inspections. Five vehicle and one driver (one out of service) violations were discovered.**
- **6/24 Waterford Welcome Center, I-93 North. Five Inspectors and an Auditor screened 125 vehicles. Sixteen inspections were completed. Thirty vehicle (seven out of service) and two driver violations were discovered.**

Crashes:

- **Nothing to report.**

Notables:

- **6/22 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducted a Level 2 inspection on a NH based motor carrier. The carrier had been previously cited for no operating authority at a detail in White River Junction. The CMV was transporting a motor vehicle for hire. The CMV was placed out of service and a ticket was issued to the company.**
- **6/22 Ryegate detail. An Inspector stopped a six axle CMV that had driven by the detail without stopping for inspection. The CMV was loaded with wood chips and was not permitted for excess weight. The CMV was weighed and found to be 20,000 lbs over the road limit of 80,000 lbs. The CMV was force permitted and an inspection was conducted.**



- **6/22 Ryegate detail. An Inspector conducted a Level 1 inspection on a five axle CMV. The CMV was placed out of service for an improper air brake line. The air brake line had been spliced, secured with worm clamps, and wrapped up with electrical tape.**



- **6/22 I-91 Inspector, after leaving the detail, stopped and changed the flat tire for a stranded motorist.**



- **6/24 Charleston, VT Rte 105. An Inspector stopped a two-axle truck for inspection and portable weigh. The CMV was found to be 7,000 lbs over its registered weight. The operator given a warning for the weight was educated on how to increase the registered weight of the vehicle. The Inspector advised he will verify that the CMV was registered to the higher weight, or a ticket will be issued.**



- **6/25 Coventry, US Rte 5. An Inspector stopped a vehicle registered as an agricultural vehicle in Coventry for several violations. The driver was not**

conducting any agricultural related activities. A portable weigh was conducted. The truck was found to be 13,400 lbs over its registered weight. The agricultural plates were seized for misuse of plates and the operator was ticketed for the offense.



- **6/25 St Johnsbury, US Rte 2. An Inspector stopped and weighed a dump truck. The dump truck was found to be 7,000 lbs over the weight limits. An inspection was completed and a ticket was issued to the company.**

New Entrant:

- **Four carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. 4.75 hours. (one auditor reporting)**

Passenger Vehicles:

- **No activity reported.**

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- **6/22 Putney Scale House, I-91S, 6 Inspectors screened and weighed 250 vehicles. They completed 10 inspections which resulted in 10 vehicle violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service.**



- **6/23 Hartford, I-91 SB, 6 Inspectors screened 263 vehicles. They completed 22 inspections which resulted in 22 vehicle and 3 driver violations. Four vehicles and 1 driver were placed out of service.**



- **6/24 White River Junction, I-91 SB, 5 Inspectors screened 198 vehicles. They completed 13 inspections which resulted in 15 vehicle and 2 driver violations. Three vehicles and 1 driver were placed out of service.**



Crashes:

- **6/23 Inspector responded to a crash involving a CMV in Weathersfield. The driver advised he fell asleep and went off the road. The driver was put out of service for being “ill and fatigued.” The truck was put out of service due to damage.**



Notables:

- **6/22 Inspector discovered a bulk Hazmat truck that was missing a Vermont overweight permit while working the Putney detail. The CMV was force permitted roadside to correct the issue. The truck was registered for 80,000 lbs. but needed a 99,000 lbs. permit to legally operate at their gross weight of 95,400 lbs.**



- **6/22 Inspector discovered an overweight permit issue while at the Putney detail. The oversize load was permitted to 109,985 lbs., the actual gross weight was 118,160 lbs. A ticket was written to the carrier for the overweight violation.**



- **6/22 Inspector discovered a cracked frame on a trailer hauling raw milk at the Putney Scale House. The trailer was placed out of service and was also 7,000 lbs over the allowable gross weight.**



- **6/22 Inspector identified a defective rear impact guard on a trailer during an inspection at the Putney Scale House. The metal was so corroded the guard could be moved with hand pressure.**



- **6/23 Inspector discovered a load securement violation during an Inspection at the Hartford SB rest Area. The lumber required an additional strap because it**

was not blocked or braced. The driver was educated on the regulation and corrected the violation.



- **6/23 Inspector discovered a worn pintle hitch during an inspection at the Hartford SB Rest Area. This condition is not a violation until it meets the out of service criteria which is a 20% reduction of the metal. The hitch was measured and found to not be out of service. The driver was advised to make repairs and continued the trip.**



- **6/23 Inspector located a defective trailer breakaway during an inspection at the Hartford SB Rest area. The trailer was placed out of service. Additionally, the combination required class A CDL which the driver did not have. The driver separated the combination and continued without the trailer.**



- **6/23 Inspector completed a Level 1 HazMat inspection on a 3-axle box truck. During the cargo inspection a liquid was found lying on top of a plastic drum with no means to prevent it from sliding around in the back of the truck. Also found during the inspection were 3 brake violations, 1 being out of adjustment. The carrier was ticketed for a hazardous materials package being unsecured during transit.**
- **6/23 Inspector discovered a trailer that had no emergency break away device from the truck to the trailer. The carrier said it broke so they removed it to move the trailer and never replaced the device. He also discovered, 1- 100 lb., 1-40 lb LPG tanks on the trailer with no means of securement and no emergency equipment in the truck. The trailer was placed out of service until the propane tanks were secured and an emergency break away was installed on the trailer.**
- **6/23 Inspector completed a Level 1 hazmat inspection on a carrier transporting 8000 gallons of Anhydrous Ammonia in a MC331 cargo tanker. The cargo tank was found to not have any of the emergency shut off controls labeled properly.**
- **6/24 Inspector discovered broken mounting bolts on a hydraulic pump during an inspection at the Hartford SB Rest Area. The pump weighed approximately 100 lbs. and was held in place by a single bolt that was also loose. Additionally,**

the vehicle had a leaking wheel seal that had contaminated the brake friction material with oil and was placed out of service. Repairs were made on site.

- 6/25 Inspectors conducted a size and weight detail for training and review on US Rte. 4 in Mendon.



Passenger Carrier:

- Nothing to report.

New Entrant Safety Audits.

- Nothing to report.