

## COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (8/9-8/15)

### NORTHWEST SECTOR:

#### Details:

- 8/11 Ferrisburgh, US Rte 7, 4 \Inspectors screened 74 vehicles. They completed 13 inspections which resulted in 8 vehicle and 2 driver violations. One vehicle and one driver were placed out of service.
- 8/13 Ira, US Rte 4, 5 Inspectors screened 135 vehicles. They completed 16 inspections which resulted in 11 vehicle and 3 driver violations. One vehicle and one driver were placed out of service.



#### Crashes:

- No crashes reported.

#### Notables:

- 8/10 Inspector conducted Level 5 terminal Motor Coach inspections at Premier Coach in West Rutland.
- 8/11 Inspector inspected an interstate truck at the Ferrisburgh detail. There was a strong odor of marijuana. A consent search was conducted, and marijuana was seized. The driver was ticketed and placed out of service for 24 hours.





- **8/11 Inspector inspected an intrastate tractor trailer hauling a motor vehicle. One of the required chains was loose, placing the vehicle out of service.**



- **8/12 Inspector conducted motorcycle testing at the DMV's Berlin testing facility.**
- **8/12 Inspector conducted an inspection on a 2 axle box truck hauling frozen meat. A platform weigh revealed the truck weighted 32,400 lbs, and was registered for 26,000 lbs. The carrier also failed to obtain a USDOT number before conducting interstate commerce. Several pallets of meat in the center of the cargo area were found with no means of securement to prevent lateral movement. The carrier was ticketed.**
- **8/12 Inspector stopped an oversize load on I89 in Waterbury. The vehicle struggled to reach the speed limit and a glove came flying off the trailer and landed in the roadway. A portable weigh was conducted, and the vehicle was found to be more than 8,000 lbs over its permitted weight. A 4-year-old child was located unrestrained in the sleeper berth. The driver and carrier were ticketed. The vehicle was grounded until a child car seat and a single trip permit were obtained.**



- **8/13 Inspector discovered the driver of a truck being inspected, was operating a CMV with a suspended license at the Ira detail. The driver was placed out of service.**
- **8/14 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte 22A in Bridport for unsecured chains on the trailer. The driver had come up yesterday from NJ and advised his ELD malfunctioned. There were no paper logs in the truck and the driver had no record of duty status.**



**Passenger Carrier:**

- **Nothing to report**

**NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

**Details:**

- **8/11 Rte 302 Ryegate AOT- operating authority focused detail. Two Inspectors, one as a spotter, conducted 7 inspections. Four vehicle and two driver violations were discovered.**

- **8/13 Lyndonville Rest Area, I-91S, 3 Inspectors screened 130 vehicles. Eighteen (one hazardous materials) inspections were completed. Twenty vehicle and nine driver violations were discovered.**

**Crashes:**

- **8/11 Inspector responded to I-91 NB in Lyndonville to assist VSP-St Johnsbury at a reportable single CMV crash. The CMV, a five axle tractor trailer transporting refrigerated food, went off the road into the median after the driver fell asleep. A Level 2 inspection was completed. The driver was placed out of service for being fatigued.**



**Notables:**

- **8/10 Inspector conducted a focused traffic enforcement detail on I91 in Hartford. Numerous CMVs were stopped for speeding in the reduced 55 MPH zone.**



- **8/11 Inspector stopped and inspected an over dimension load in Newbury after observing it operating without the required warning flag.**



- **8/12 Inspector responded to the Derby Line Port of Entry for a report of a CMV driver in possession of alcohol. A Level 3 inspection was completed. The driver was placed out of service for 24 hours and issued a ticket.**



- **8/12 Inspector responded to a domestic disturbance complaint in Barton to assist VSP-Derby.**
- **Notable violations for the week:**
- **Beecher Falls Port of Entry- Six axle log truck with defective tire and crack in axle positioning component- out of service and two tickets issued.**



- **8/11 Ryegate AOT- Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a two axle CMV discovered a missing wheel fastener.**



- **8/13 Lyndonville Rest Area- a six axle CMV in a truck tractor/full trailer combination came into the detail with the safety chains dragging on the roadway. An inspection was completed and the trailer was placed out of service to due a reduction in original material thickness meeting OOS standards.**



- **8/13 Inspector stopped a CMV on US Rte 302 in Ryegate. The CMV was placed out of service for loose cables securing the logs.**



- **8/12 Inspector stopped a log truck for a smoking brake. The CMV was placed out of service for defective suspension- broken leaf spring.**



#### **New Entrant:**

- **Two carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. One audit was completed. 2.25 hours.**

#### **Passenger Vehicles:**

- **No activity reported.**

#### **SOUTH SECTOR:**

##### **Details:**

- **8/11 Randolph, I-89N, Inspectors screened 220 vehicles and weighed 5 vehicles. They completed 7 Level I, 3 Level II, and 2 Level III inspections resulting in 4 driver violations and 16 vehicle violations. Seven vehicles were placed out of service.**
- **8/13 Guilford, I-91N, Inspectors screened 110 vehicles and weighed 4 vehicles. They completed 3 Level I, 5 Level II, and 4 Level III inspections resulting in 6 driver violations.**



### **Crashes:**

- **No crashes were reported.**

### **Notables:**

- **8/10 Inspector observed 2 vehicles parked in a U-turn of Interstate 91 in Windsor with people walking around. The Inspector did not observe any special markings to indicated they were authorized to be in the U-turn. The Inspector stopped to see why they were in the U-turn. As he pulled up one vehicle left, and the other vehicle had overheated and was waiting for AAA to come. The Inspector stayed with the operator until AAA came and removed the vehicle.**
- **8/10 Inspector followed up with Chester Police Department on a CMV crash from the end of July. The Inspector completed the post-crash report and relayed to Chester PD.**
- **8/11 Inspector conducted a level I inspection on a three-axle dump truck at the Randolph NB Weigh Station. The three-axle dump truck had three of the six brakes out of adjustment. The vehicle was placed out of service. Inspector discovered a defective brake air tube on a box truck at the Randolph NB Weigh Station. The air tube had been chaffing on the vehicle frame and was cut approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the way through. The vehicle was placed out of service and repairs were made on site.**



- **8/10 Inspector stopped a CMV for displaying an “Oversize Load” sign warning traffic of its size when in fact the CMV had no actual load on. During the interview, the driver failed to remove the signs when he had unloaded. A level III inspection was completed.**
- **8/11 Inspector conducted a level I inspection on a six-axle tractor trailer hauling trash at the Randolph NB Weigh Station. During the inspection of the tractor trailer a loose air reservoir tank and brake chamber, which had a ruptured diaphragm were discovered. The vehicle was placed out of service.**



- **8/13 Two Inspectors received refresher hazardous materials training sponsored by COHMED and taught by the director of training William Reese.**
- **Inspectors followed up on 4 CMV complaints from overweight trucks, trucks idling excessively, and commercial driver's license questions and extensions allowed due to Covid-19.**

**Safety Audit:**

- **Three New Entrant Safety Audits were initiated by both auditors and 2 were completed and closed out. 1 New Entrant failed to comply with the protocols and failed to contact the auditor, so they were placed out of service for failing to contact.**

**Passenger Vehicle:**

- **No activity to report.**