

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (9/20-9/26)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- **9/22 Ferrisburgh, US Rte 7, 4 Inspectors screened 151 vehicles. They completed 17 inspections which resulted in 24 vehicle and 4 driver violations. Two vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.**
- **9/24 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors and one state animal health specialists screened 220 vehicles. They completed 33 inspections which resulted in 32 vehicle and 8 driver violations. Two vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.**

Crashes:

- **Nothing to report.**

Notables:

- **9/21 Inspectors attended mandatory hours of service training with FMCSA.**
- **9/22 Inspector inspected a truck towing a trailer at the Ferrisburgh detail. The truck was placed out of service for 20%+ defective brakes.**



- **9/22 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire leaking air from a nail embedded in the tread.**



- **9/22 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh detail. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours for having a false log. The driver intentionally shut his log off and drove showing off duty for approximately 400 miles.**



- **9/22 Inspector responded to assist VSP Rutland with a truck that had sustained a significant fuel spill on US Rte 4 near exit 6. Investigation found that the drive shaft had separated after the transmission had failed, causing damage to the driver side saddle fuel tank. Approximately 115 gallons of diesel was spilled in the roadway.**





- **9/23 Inspector stopped a box truck on US Rte 7 in Middlebury for an inoperable head lamp. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was placed out of service for 10 hours for having no record of duty status as required. The driver had been making trips several times a week to VT without keeping a log look as required.**



- **9/24 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The driver's CDL had been disqualified in March for failing to provide a valid medical card. The driver was placed out of service until he got his CDL reinstated.**
- **9/24 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The trailer was placed out of service for an inoperable rear turn signal.**



- **9/24 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer was inspected at the Fair Haven Scale House. The truck tractor was placed out of service for failing the air loss test. The carrier was also suspended in VT.**



- **9/25 Inspector stopped a box truck for speeding on VT Rte 22a in Orwell. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was placed out of service for having no record of duty status as required. The driver drove from Texas without documenting hours of service.**



- **9/25 Inspector stopped an overloaded log truck on US Rte 2 in Richmond for a suspected weight violation and inoperative passenger side tail lamps. A portable weigh and inspection were conducted. The owner/operator was given a written warning for being 4000 pounds over his permitted weight and the truck was placed out of service for an inoperative rear turn signal.**



Passenger Carrier:

- **9/22 Three Inspectors completed 23 motor coach inspections at Premier in Milton.**



NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- **9/22 Morrisville/Hardwick. Five Inspectors and an Auditor conducted a motor coach/ saturation patrol. Seventeen inspections were completed. Thirteen Level 5 team motor coach inspections were completed at two carriers. Four vehicle (two out of service) violations discovered.**

- **9/24 Ryegate SB, I-91, 2 Inspectors screened 55 vehicles. Eight inspections (six Level 2 and two Level 3) were completed. Five vehicle violations were discovered.**

Crashes:

- **9/23. US Rte 302 Newbury. Inspector responded to a passenger vehicle versus CMV reportable crash. There were no reported injuries. The passenger vehicle was towed from the scene. The CMV, an empty three-axle truck was struck by the passenger vehicle at an intersection. The passenger vehicle was at fault for the crash. A Level 2 inspection was completed with no pre-existing contributing defects discovered.**

Notables:

- **Sector Inspectors attended training regarding the new FMCSA hours of service.**
- **9/22 During passenger vehicle inspections in Hardwick, Inspectors discovered a fuel line dripping diesel fuel. The school bus was placed out of service.**
- **9/22 During a passenger vehicle inspection in Hardwick, Inspectors discovered a school bus with an inoperative emergency brake. The vehicle was placed out of service.**
- **9/25 VT Rte 105 Brighton. An Inspector stopped a dump truck loaded with gravel to check for a permit. The CMV driver was not in possession of an excess weight permit. The CMV was weighed and an inspection was completed. The CMV was found to be 8,000 lbs over legal weight limits. A ticket was issued to the carrier.**
- **9/25 VT Rte 114 Brighton. An Inspector stopped a loaded dump truck for permit check and inspection. The CMV was found to be properly permitted and not overweight.**



New Entrant:

- Three carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. 9.25 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

- See detail stats above.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 9/24 White River Junction, I-91S, 4 Inspectors screened 276 vehicles They completed 11 inspections resulting in 12 violations. One vehicle was placed out of service, and 1 driver placed out of service for a suspended license.

Crashes:

- 9/21 Inspector responded to Ludlow to assist Officers with a tractor trailer crash. The Inspector learned that the truck was disabled at approximately 0845 hours when the driver took a wrong turn reportedly following his GPS. Ludlow Officers determined that the truck and trailer sustained damage at two separate locations and arrested the driver for leaving the scene of an accident. After Ludlow Officers transported him to their PD, the driver reported having difficulty breathing and chest pain and was then transported by ambulance to Springfield Hospital. While the driver was at Springfield Hospital a Ludlow Officer contacted the Inspector and asked him to respond as the driver was still acting erratically. The driver was placed out of service for a detectable amount and was lodged by Ludlow PD for Leaving the Scene of an Accident and Resisting Arrest.





Notables:

- **9/24 Inspector discovered an operator with a NH license that was suspended in Vermont during an inspection at the WRJ SB detail. The driver was placed out of service so the carrier sent another driver to get the truck.**
- **9/24 Inspector discovered a flat tire and loose U-joint during an inspection at the White River south bound rest area. The vehicle was placed out of service**



- **9/24 Inspector noticed an IRP and IFTA violation on a vehicle at the White River south bound detail. The owner-operator is new to the industry and was educated on the regulations and provided guidance on how to obtain trip permits.**

New Entrant:

- **Four off-site safety audits were completed, 1 carrier failed an audit, and review was initiated on two carriers.**

Passenger Carrier:

- **No Activity**