COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (10/20-10/26)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

• 10/23 Williston NB, I-89, 4 Inspectors and 1 DMV Investigator screened 503 vehicles. They completed 25 inspections which resulted in 50 vehicle violations and 2 driver violations. Five vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes:

• 10/24 Inspector was called to I89 in S Burlington for a report that a truck tractor, which was being towed by a heavy wrecker had lost a wheel from the steering axle. This wheel once separated rolled across I89 and struck another vehicle in the southbound lanes. No injuries were reported. A post-crash inspection was conducted and it was found that the wheel end came apart when an axle nut loosened due to equipment failure.







• 10/23 Inspector inspected a truck and trailer at the Williston detail. The truck was placed out of service as the parking brake was inoperable.



• 10/23 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The truck was placed out of service for an air leak not at a proper connection and the trailer was out of service for inoperative stop lamps. The carrier was issued a ticket.



• 10/24 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte 22a in Orwell as the trailer was missing required reflective material and a wheel flap on the truck tractor was stuck between 2 duals. An inspection was conducted and the truck tractor was placed out of service for a tire in contact with a vehicle component.



• 10/24 Inspector stopped a box truck on VT Rte 22a in Shoreham for speeding. An inspection was conducted and the carrier was grounded as the carrier was suspended in Vermont. A ticket was issued to the carrier for the violation.



• 10/25 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte 17 in Addison for an inoperable lamp on the trailer. An inspection was conducted and the truck tractor was placed out of service for a flat tire and the trailer was placed out of service for 2 inoperable brakes. The carrier was issued a ticket for the brake violation.



• 10/25 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte 22a in Bridport for speeding. An inspection was conducted and the trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps.



Passenger Carrier:

Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

• Due to trainings, no fixed site details were conducted this week.

Crashes:

• 10/22 Inspector responded to a single passenger vehicle crash on I-89 in Hartford. The passenger vehicle struck a deer and was disabled. No injuries were reported.

Notables:

• 10/19 Inspector attended a Move Over public awareness outreach at the Coventry NB Rest Area. Members from local towing companies joined local and state law enforcement agencies to raise awareness of the laws requires motor vehicles to slow down and move over upon approach of an emergency vehicle.



• 10/24 Inspector stopped and inspected a six axle CMV at the Derby Line Port of Entry. The CMV was placed out of service for defective hoses, a ruptured air brake chamber diaphragm, and diesel fuel leak. A ticket was issued to the company.

New Entrant:

• Five carriers contacted regarding scheduling, document submission, inactivation, close out. Two audits were completed. 12.5 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

• No activity reported.

CENTRAL SECTOR:

Details:

• 10/23 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, Inspectors screened and weighed 198 CMVs. Two level 1, sixteen level 2, and one level 3 inspections were conducted revealing 26 violations (5 vehicle out of service violations and 4 driver out of service violations). Thirty-six OS/OW permits were checked and two overweight CMVs were detected.



Crashes:

• 10/24 Inspector assisted Rutland City PD and VSP Crash Reconstruction Team by conducting a level 7 inspection on a local delivery truck involved in a fatal crash.



• 10/25 Inspector responded to a CMV crash on VT Rte 3 in Proctor. A 26' box truck hauling Amazon packages had crashed into a ditch, and impacted a driveway. The operator advised that he swerved to avoid hitting a deer. The truck sustained major damage, and the driver was ticketed for failing to wear a seatbelt.



Notables:

• 10/21 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer hauling an intermodal at the Randolph SB rest area. The registration on the chassis was inactive. Additionally, a cracked cross member and spring hanger were located during the inspection.



- 10/23 Inspector conducted an inspection on a tractor trailer towing a low bed trailer with an oversized combine on it. The permit stated that the width was 12 feet, and as such required a pilot vehicle. No pilot vehicle was present, and the combine was found to be 12'9" wide. The load was grounded, and a ticket was issued.
- 10/24 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer operator for speeding on I91 in Hartford. A level 3 inspection was conducted.



Passenger Vehicles:

No activity reported

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

• 10/24 Woodford, VT Rte 9, Inspectors screened 61 vehicles and checked 5 permits. Ten inspections were completed with a total of 11 violations. Two vehicles were placed out of service. One of the CMV's (below) was placed out of service for right front fender damage that was making contact with the steering axle tire.



Crashes:

No crashes were reported.

Notables:

• 10/23 Inspector spoke at Vermont Local Roads training for local highway foreman in St. Johnsbury. There were 17 highway foreman and crew in attendance. Topics covered ranged from local roads permitting process, setting local speed limits, size & weight on local roads and, Drug & Alcohol.

Safety Audits:

• One carrier was inactivated and 3 Safety Audits completed.

Passenger Carrier:

No activity.