

## Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

### NORTHWEST SECTOR:

#### Details:

- 1/14 – Five Inspectors and 1 DMV Inv. screened 335 commercial motor vehicles at the I 89 Colchester N weigh station detail. 21 inspections were conducted. 36 violations were detected (7 driver and 29 vehicle). 5 vehicles were placed out of service.

#### Crashes:

#### Notables:

- 1/20 – Cpl. stopped a straight truck at I 89 Williston SB rest area for a load securement violation. An inspection was conducted, and the truck was placed out of service until the driver added another strap to secure the 2000lb load not braced/blocked against forward movement.



- 1/20 – Cpl. stopped a tractor trailer combination hauling logs on VT Rte. 117 in Richmond for a suspected overweight infraction. A portable weigh and inspection were conducted. The combination was 13,000 pounds over its permitted 99,000 -pound permitted limit and a ticket was issued to the carrier.



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- 1/23 – Cpl. stopped a QC carrier transporting an automobile on I 89 in Colchester for an equipment violation. An inspection was conducted and the carrier claimed they were unaware they needed to register with US DOT to return a stolen auto back to a VT resident. The carrier did not have a US DOT number, operating authority, an MCS-90 insurance document and the driver did not have a medical card. The carrier was placed out of service for no operating authority.



- 1/24 – Insp. inspected a tractor trailer combination at the I 89 N Colchester weigh station detail. The inspection revealed a rear most turn signal on the trailer was inoperative. The trailer was placed out of service for the defect.



- 1/24 - Inspector inspected a tractor trailer combination at the I 89 N Colchester weigh station detail. The inspection revealed a tire was flat on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service until repaired.



- 1/24 – Inspector inspected a tractor trailer combination at the I 89 N Colchester weigh station detail. The inspection revealed a piece of heavy machinery was not secured properly on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service until the load securement defect was remedied.



Passenger Vehicle:

- Nothing to report.

New Entrant:

## **NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

Details:

- 01/22 Beecher falls Port of Entry, 2 Inspectors conducted size and weight enforcement in which they inspected 11 commercial motor vehicles conducted 6 portable weighs. 5 out of 6 of the portable weighs resulted in weight violations.
- 01/24 I 89 Colchester NB, 2 inspectors attended the Northwest Sector detail.

Crashes:

- Nothing to report.

Notables:

- Inspector attended FBI LEEDA, Supervisor Leadership Institute, in Augusta, ME.
- 01/21 Derby, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and noted that the truck did not have a horn that made an audible warning signal. The same violation was noted on a previous inspection and the driver advised the violation was not repaired after the last inspection. A ticket was issued to the carrier.
- 01/22 Beecher Falls POE, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and located 4 out of 10 wheel fasteners were loose on a trailer axle. The trailer was placed out of service.
- 01/22 Canaan, Inspector stopped a commercial vehicle hauling wood chip to complete a permit check and portable weigh. The combination was found to have a gross weight of 111,100lbs being 12,100lbs over the permitted 99,000lbs. A ticket was issued the carrier.
- 01/22 Colchester detail, Inspector conducted an inspection of a commercial motor vehicle transporting explosives, including division 1.1. The New Hampshire based motor carrier was cited for failing to obtain a FMCSA hazardous materials safety permit. Other violations cited include failure to have required instruction documents, improper packaging, improper marking, improper labelling, and improper shipping paper. The inspection findings have prompted the FMCSA New Hampshire Division to initiate a compliance investigation of the carrier (photos attached).



- 01/22 Beecher Falls, Inspector conducted a portable weight on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the vehicle was 6,900 lbs. over their permitted weight of 99,000 lbs. A ticket was issued to the carrier.
- 01/22 Beecher Falls, Inspector conducted a portable weight on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the vehicle was 13,000 lbs. over their permitted weight of 99,000 lbs. A ticket was issued to the carrier.



- 01/24 Colchester detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the carrier was under suspension in the State of Vermont. The vehicle was grounded until the suspension was lifted.



- 01/24 Colchester detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was in violation of their ME license restriction: “Intrastate Only,” the driver self-certified as non-expected intrastate while operating in interstate commerce,

and the vehicle had a flat tire. The driver and vehicle were placed out of service.



- 01/24 Colchester detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver's commercial driver's license was suspended. The driver was placed out of service.
- 01/24 Colchester detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered 12 ft banded building material not blocked or braced was only secured by two tie-downs when required three tie-downs. The driver added an additional tie-down before continuing their route.



New Entrant:

Compliance Review:

Passenger Vehicles:

- Nothing to report.

### **SOUTH SECTOR:**

Details:

- 1/21, I 89 N Sharon Rest Area; five inspectors screened one hundred and forty-nine vehicles and completed eleven inspections resulting in one driver and one vehicle violation.



- 1/23, I 91 N Guilford; five inspectors screened 219 vehicles and completed twelve inspections resulting in one driver and three vehicle violations; one driver was placed out of service. Additionally, there was one CVSA sticker issued during a level one inspection.



#### Crashes:

- Nothing to report.

#### Notables:

- 1/21 - Inspector inspected a Tractor Trailer at the I89 N Sharon Rest Area. The inspection revealed that the driver had the trailer tandems all the way to the rear of the trailer past the allowable 41' mark. A violation of this was recorded on the inspection report and the driver corrected the issue before leaving.





- 1/22 - Inspector stopped a 4-axle dump with a load of gravel to check for an overweight permit. The company did not have a VT overweight permit for that truck. A portable weigh was conducted, and the truck was found to weigh 70800 pounds. The company was put in touch with the permits office to obtain the proper excess weight permit.



- Cpl. attended FBI-LEEDA training in Augusta, ME this week.
- 1/24, Inspectors participated in a funeral procession for Border Patrol Agent Maland who was killing in the line of duty earlier this week.
- 1/23, Inspector placed a driver out of service for being under 21 and in interstate commerce at the Guilford Detail. The carrier was educated on the regulation, and the vehicle was escorted back to Massachusetts.

#### Passenger Vehicle:

- Nothing to report.

#### **Traffic Enforcement:**

During the week of 1/20-1/24 the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 53 inspections which resulted in 2 drivers and 8 vehicles being placed out of service. 1 Inspector attended training out of State for the week.

Crashes:

- Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 1/21--Cpl stopped the driver of a tractor trailer for speeding on Route 22a in Orwell. The carrier was found to be suspended in Vermont and was subsequently grounded.



- 1/22--Cpl stopped the driver of a tractor trailer for speeding on Route 22a in Orwell. The trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps and a flat tire. The truck tractor was placed out of service as the axle 1 passenger side tire was in contact with another vehicle part.



- 1/23--Cpl stopped the driver of a tractor trailer for speeding in West Haven. The trailer was placed out of service for a flat tire.



- 1/23--Cpl stopped the driver of a box truck for speeding on Route 4 in Fair Haven. The carrier was found to be suspended in Vermont and the truck was placed out of service for a flat tire.



- 1/24--Cpl stopped the driver of a truck and trailer in interstate commerce for speeding and for having no markings on the truck. The truck was placed out of service as the parking brake was inoperable.



- 1/23-Insp stopped a commercial motor vehicle on I-89 in Williamstown for a lighting violation. An inspection was conducted, and the carrier was found to be under an active Federal Out of Service Order. The driver was placed out of service for not being medically certified. The carrier was placed out of service for the Federal out of service order. Massachusetts State Police had previously placed the vehicle out of service on 1/16/25. The carrier was issued tickets for violating the out of service order and permitting an unqualified driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle.



- 1/23-Insp stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a load securement violation on I-89 in Randolph. An inspection was conducted, and the vehicle combination required a class A commercial driver's license. The driver did not possess a class A CDL and was placed out of

service. The driver was issued a warning and educated on the load securement and licensing issues.



- 1/23-Insp stopped a commercial motor vehicle for a lighting violation on I-89 in Berlin. An inspection was conducted, and the truck was placed out of service for no operable lamps on the rear of the vehicle when required. The driver was issued a warning.



- 1/25-Insp stopped an oversize load on I-89 in Randolph for a permit check. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service for a defective chain securing the oversize load. The driver was issued a warning, and the chain was replaced.



**HQ Sergeant:**

Notables:

- At the Colchester detail: Sgt. inspected an interstate box truck. The vehicle was placed out of service for a flat tire.

Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

New Entrant: