

## **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement**

### **NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

#### Details:

- 04/01 I-91 Coventry northbound Rest Area, 6 Inspectors screened 127 vehicles. 21 inspections were completed which resulted in 22 vehicle violations (4 out of service) and 7 driver violations.
- 04/02 I 91 Derby Line Port of Entry, 3 Inspectors and 4 Customs and Border Protection Agents screened 322 outbound vehicles. 8 inspections were completed which resulted in 8 vehicle violations (1 out of service) and 2 driver violations.

Crashes: Nothing to report

#### Notables:

- 03/31-04/04 Throughout the week, Sgt. conducted supervised inspections with Inspector Cotnoir.
- 04/02 Colchester Sgt. attended MCSAP recert.
- 04/05 St. Johnsbury Sgt. stopped the operator of a passenger vehicle who has utilized an interstate crossover and unsafely merged into traffic on the interstate.
- 03/31 St. Johnsbury, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was in violation of his medical certification, requiring wearing corrective lenses. The driver was placed out of service.
- 03/31 Coventry, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered 20% of the service brakes on the vehicle were defective. The vehicle was placed out of service.



- 04/01 Coventry detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the carrier USDOT numbers were deactivated due to not updating their biannual MCS150. The carrier was placed out of service until updated.



- 04/01 Coventry detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was unable to close the rear door of the box truck due to securing the lift gate which failed to stay upright without straps, which contained loose packages. The vehicle was placed out of service.



- 04/01 Coventry detail, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered 20% of the service brakes on the vehicle/combination were defective. The vehicle was placed out service until repaired.
- 04/02 Derby Line International Port of Entry, Inspector conducted a level 2 inspection and located the right axle 5 tires of a dual set where less than 1/32" also the inside tire was flat and not on the bead.



- 04/03 Derby, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the brake away was not attached to the power unit. The violation was repaired on scene and the driver continued their route.
- 04/04 Ryegate, Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a commercial motor vehicle which failed to stop an open inspection site. An inspection was completed, and 5 driver violations and 7 vehicle violations were discovered, 4 of which were out of service violations which included: the operator was not at least 21 years old in interstate commerce, the driver had no records of duty status, no medical certificate, and the trailer's breakaway was not attached to the power unit. The driver and vehicle were placed out of service.



- 04/04 Barton, Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a commercial motor vehicle whose rearmost right turn signal was inoperable. The vehicle was placed out of service until repaired.
- 04/04 Ryegate, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the left rearmost turn signal was inoperable. The vehicle was placed out of service.



- 04/04 Waterford, Inspector conducted a portable weight at Classen's Crane Service in order for the crane company to obtain the data needed to properly permit a newly purchased crane.
- 04/04 Ryegate, Inspector conducted an inspection on a commercial motor vehicle and discovered the driver was in violation of medical certification restrictions for not wearing their

corrective lenses and the vehicle had 20% or more of their service brakes defective. The driver and vehicle were placed out of service.



New Entrant:

Compliance Review:

Passenger Vehicles:

- 04/02 Derby Line International Port of Entry, Inspector conducted 4 level 2 passenger inspection and located 1 violation.

## **NORTHWEST SECTOR:**

Details:

- 4/01 – Four Inspectors screened 79 commercial motor vehicles at the US Rte 7 Clarendon NB detail. 16 inspections were conducted. 16 violations were detected (5 driver and 11 vehicle). 2 drivers and 1 vehicle were placed out of service.

- 4/03 – Four Inspectors screened 325 commercial motor vehicles at the I 89 Colchester weigh station detail. 11 inspections were conducted. 9 violations were detected (2 driver and 7 vehicle). 1 driver and 4 vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes:

Notables:

- 3/31 to 4/04 - Insp. successfully completed the Drug Recognition Expert class in Essex.
- 4/01 – Cpl. inspected a tractor trailer unit at the US Rte. 7 Clarendon NB rest area detail. The inspection revealed the machine was not secured properly on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service for the defect.



- 4/01 – Insp. stopped a tractor trailer unit for failing to enter the US Rte. 7 Clarendon detail. An inspection was conducted, and the driver's commercial license was suspended. The driver was placed out of order for not possessing a CDL.
- 4/3 – Sgt. inspected a tractor trailer unit at the Colchester weigh station detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a severely deflated tire.



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- 4/3 - Cpl. inspected a tractor trailer unit at the Colchester weigh station detail. The inspection revealed a tire was flat on the combination. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- 4/03 – Insp. responded to Williston to assist the police department with a tractor trailer unit that drove off the road. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was in violation of a commercial licensing restriction. The driver was not permitted to operate tractor trailer combinations and was found to be operating one. The driver was placed out of service.
- 4/04 – Insp. was joined by her new partner, K-9 Omen.



- 4/04 – Insp. stopped a box truck operating on Rte.7 in Clarendon. An inspection revealed the carrier was under a federal out of service. The trip on this day was interstate and the truck was placed out of service for violating the federal out of service order.

New Entrant:

### **SOUTH SECTOR:**

Details:

- 4/1, I 89 Randolph SB; 5 Inspectors screened 182 commercial vehicles and completed 14 inspections (2 supervised) resulting in 1 driver and 8 vehicle violations; one driver and 4 vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 4/1, Sgt. placed a 2-axle interstate vehicle out of service for a flat tire and a driver with an expired medical certificate, which expired in November 2024.



- 4/1, Inspector inspected a 5-axle interstate combination and found 2 brakes out of adjustment; the two brakes were equal to 20% defective brakes and the combination was placed out of service.
- 4/1, Inspector discovered a broken power spring in an air brake chamber. The truck was placed out of service for the defective emergency brake power spring.
- 4/2, Inspector conducted a Level 2 inspection which resulted in the trailer being placed out of service for the emergency breakaway cable being broken.



- 4/3, Sgt. placed a trailer out of service for cargo securement; the front-end loader was not secured per commodity specific regulation, and the loader bucket had 2 out of 2 tiedowns loose.



- 4/4, Inspector conducted a Level 3 inspection which resulted in the driver being placed out of service for a medical card violation.



Passenger Vehicle: Nothing to report.

### **Traffic Enforcement:**

During the week of 3.31-4.4 the Traffic Enforcement Unit conducted 72 inspections which resulted in 10 drivers and 7 vehicles being placed out of service.

Crashes: Nothing to report.

Notables:

- 3/31--Sgt. stopped the driver of a box truck in interstate commerce for speeding on Route 22a in Orwell. The co-driver was found sleeping in the box of the truck. The driver was placed out of service for not having 7 days of logs and for using paper logs when an electronic log was required. The driver was ticketed for the seat belt violation.



- 4/1, at the Fair Haven Scale house, Inspector found a minor hazmat violation in which the Hazmat shipping papers were not placed first or tabbed in accordance with regulations.
- 4/1, at the Fair Haven Scale House, inspector placed an interstate truck out of service for 2 dual sets of bald tires and a flat tire. The driver had no record of duty status and was placed out of service. The vehicle was towed.
- 4/2-Sgt. stopped a truck and trailer in interstate commerce for having no US DOT number or carrier name displayed. The driver was placed out of service for not having a commercial driver's license when the combination called for it. The driver also had no medical certificate or record of duty status. The trailer was placed out of service as the breakaway cable was not connected.



- 4/2, Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on Route 100 in Stockbridge for speeding. The driver's commercial driver's license was disqualified due to failing to submit his medical card.



- 4/3-Sgt. stopped the driver of a truck and trailer for speeding on Route 4 in Fair Haven. The combination called for a commercial driver's license and the driver had a class C. The driver was placed out of service. The truck was placed out of service as it had no tailgate and there were multiple loose items in the bed of the truck with no means of securement.



- 4/3, Inspector placed a driver out of service for not having a medical card at the Fair Haven Inspection Site.



- 4/3, Inspector placed a driver out of service for having no medical card at the Fair Haven Inspection Site.



- 4/3, Inspector completed a hazmat inspection on a tractor trailer. The truck was placed out of service for a flat tire.



- 4/4--Sgt. stopped the driver of a tractor trailer for speeding on Route 22a in Orwell. The trailer was placed out of service as the passenger side rear turn signal was inoperable.



- 4/4, at the Fair Haven Scale House, Inspector found a driver who was suspended in Vermont for failing to pay fines. The driver was assisted with paying his reinstatement fee and getting his license cleared so he could continue his trip.



- 4/4, at the Fair Haven Scale House. Inspector found a driver who had no medical card. The driver was placed out of service.



- 4/4-Sgt. conducted an inspection at the Fair Haven Scale House. The trailer was placed out of service as there was fuel leaking from the manhole cover on the top of the cargo tank.



- 4/1- Insp inspected a straight truck at the Fair Haven detail. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was placed out of service for being under 21 years of age in interstate commerce. The carrier was issued a warning.
- 4/1- Insp inspected a straight truck at the Fair Haven detail. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was placed out of service for no valid medical card. The carrier was issued a warning.



- 4/2- Insp stopped a truck and trailer for a marking violation and speed violation on I-89 in Berlin. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service for a breakaway cable violation. The owner/operator was issued two warnings.



- 4/3-Insp stopped a tractor trailer driver for speeding on I-89 in Williamstown. An inspection was conducted, and the vehicle was found to have an expired IRP registration and the Carrier's IFTA had been cancelled. The driver was issued a ticket for speeding, 81/65. The carrier was issued a ticket for the fuel tax violation.



- 4/4- Insp stopped a commercial motor vehicle driver for speeding on I-89 in Williamstown. An inspection was conducted, and the driver was issued a warning for speeding. The load of blasting mats on the trailer was overhanging by a total of 2 and a half feet. The

carrier was issued a ticket for no permit for the over dimension violation. The vehicle was grounded until an oversize permit was obtained.



### **HQ Sergeant:**

Monday:

- Sgt. presented at MCSAP annual recertification.

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- Sgt. participated in mock hearings with the new traffic court judges.

Wednesday:

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New Entrant: