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International Roadcheck 2015 will take place on June 2-4, 2015



Roadcheck, now in its 28th year, is the largest targeted enforcement program on commercial motor vehicles in the world, with nearly 17 trucks or buses inspected, on average, every minute from Canada to Mexico during a 72-hour period in early June. Each year, approximately 10,000 CVSA-certified local, state, provincial and federal inspectors in every jurisdiction across North America perform the truck and bus inspections.

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) sponsors International Roadcheck with participation by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators, Transport Canada and the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation (Mexico).

International Roadcheck is an annual three-day event when CVSA-

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2015 National Work **Zone Awareness** Week: March 23-27



National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) is an annual spring campaign held at the start of construction season to encourage safe driving through highway work zones and construction sites. The key message is for drivers to use extra caution in work zones. For more information, check out this link:

American Traffic Safety Services

certified inspectors conduct compliance, enforcement and educational initiatives targeted at various elements of motor carrier, vehicle, driver and cargo safety and security.

Since its inception in 1988, roadside inspections conducted during Roadcheck have numbered over 1.4 million, resulting in more than 318 lives saved and 5,840 injuries avoided. It also provides an opportunity to educate industry and the general public about the importance of safe commercial vehicle operations and the roadside inspection program.

Click on the links below to obtain resources for drivers and fleets, CSA resources and more information on the types of inspections conducted during Roadcheck.

- International Roadcheck Homepage
- International Roadcheck 2014
- International Roadcheck 2014 Results
- International Roadcheck Press Release
- Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) Resources
- North American Standard Inspection Program

Resources for Drivers and Fleets

- International Roadcheck Checklist for Drivers
- Roadmap to Safety
- What Inspectors are Looking For

Best Practice Guidelines for Roadside Inspections:

Train your drivers now how to complete good quality pre- and post-trip inspections to reduce possibility of violations.

Review CSA SMS monthly at https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/SMS/Default.aspx, enter your DOT number or name, click on the different basics to view inspection information. Cross reference the inspections you have on file with the inspections turned in by your drivers. Question your drivers who do not submit inspection reports. Also review the history tab directly below the basics to determine if the number of inspections you are having is on the rise or decline.

Review vehicle inspections and violations with your maintenance provider to reduce violations.

Maintain copies, along with any repair orders attached if there were violations, in tractor and trailer file.

Use the roadside inspection information, such as date, time and locations to cross reference with the drivers hours of service documentation for falsification violations.

Level One CVSA roadside inspections without violations can by regulation be substituted for the DOT annual Inspection.

Train drivers how to successfully pass a roadside inspections and how to conduct themselves.

Association (ATSSA).

Register Now for the 2015 Idealease/NPTC Safety Seminars!



Idealease, its members and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 2015. The one day seminars this year will focus on basic safety and compliance, regulation changes and CSA. The seminars and will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals.

To register for an upcoming seminar in 2015 <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

2015 Idealease Safety Seminar Schedule:

Have your drivers watch the Idealease Pre- and Post-Trip inspection training video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_yjdYSpWJHw

Five 'Serious Violations' Added to FMCSA CSA Spreadsheet

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) updated the Safety Measurement System (SMS) to reflect recent changes to its Serious Violations spreadsheet. According to FMCSA, this is an attempt to more closely align the list with the agency's regulations and IT systems.

As a result, FMCSA included the following five new Serious Violations that are currently used in investigations:

- \$172.704(a)(4), Failing to provide security awareness training (Hazardous Materials (HM) Compliance Behavior Analysis and Safety Improvement Category (BASIC))
- \$172.704(a)(5), Failing to provide in-depth security awareness training (HM Compliance BASIC)
- \$383.37(c), Knowingly allowing, requiring, permitting, or authorizing an employee with more than one commercial driver's license to operate a commercial motor vehicle (Driver Fitness BASIC)
- • 395.3(a)(3)(i), Requiring or permitting a property-carrying commercial motor vehicle driver to drive more than 11 hours (Hours-of-Service (HOS) Compliance BASIC)
- 395.3(a)(3)(ii), Requiring or permitting a property-carrying commercial motor vehicle driver to drive if more than 8 hours have passed since the end of the driver's last off-duty or sleeperberth period of at least 30 minutes (HOS Compliance BASIC)

These violations took effect in the SMS as of February 1, 2015. Motor carriers cited with any of these violations will see them reflected in the March SMS data release.

March 4 Portland, OR March 5 Seattle, WA March 17 Chattanooga, TN March 18 Atlanta, GA March 19 Nashville, TN March 24 Houston, TX March 25 Lafayette, LA March 26 Mobile, AL March 31 Kansas City, MO April 1 St. Louis, MO April 2 Memphis, TN April 7 Cincinnati, OH April 8 Columbus, OH April 9 Elkhart, IN April 14 Linden, NJ April 14 Phoenix, AZ April 15 San Leandro, CA April 16 Lodi, CA Santa Fe Springs, April 21 April 21 Harrisburg, PA April 22 Ventura, CA April 22 Landover, MD April 23 Baltimore, MD April 28 Oklahoma City, OK April 30 Milwaukee, WI May 5 Kelowna, BC May 6 Lexington, KY May 7 May 12 Tampa, FL May 12 Detroit, MI May 14 Minneapolis, MN May 20 Altoona, IA June 25 Santa Rosa, CA October 14 Toledo, OH October 14 Grand Rapids, MI October 20 Las Vegas, NV October 22 San Martin, CA

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