



ARE YOUR DRIVERS PREPARED FOR UPCOMING ROADCHECK 2022?

International Roadcheck Set for May 17th-19th with Emphasis on Wheel Ends



The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance has announced this year's International Roadcheck dates as May 17-19 with a focus on wheel ends.

Roadcheck is a 72-hour high-visibility, high-volume commercial motor vehicle inspection, and enforcement initiative. Commercial motor vehicle inspectors in Canada, Mexico, and the U.S. will

conduct North American Standard Inspections of commercial motor vehicles and drivers at weighing and inspection stations, on roving patrols, and at temporary inspection sites.

Each year, CVSA focuses on a specific aspect of a roadside inspection. This year, the focus will be on wheel ends. Wheel end components support the heavy loads carried by commercial motor vehicles, maintain stability and control, and are critical for braking. Violations involving wheel-end components historically account for about one-quarter of the vehicle out-of-service violations discovered during Roadcheck, and past Roadcheck data routinely identified wheel-end components as a top 10 vehicle violation.

So, you don't think your drivers will be inspected this year!

Here are the numbers from the 2021 Roadcheck:

Level 1 Inspections 2021 Roadcheck

Country	# Of Level I	# Of OOS	% Of OOS	# Of OOS	% Of OOS
	Inspections	Vehicles	Vehicles	Drivers	Drivers
U.S.	19,786	4,136	20.9%	1,083	5.5%
Canada	3,349	912	27.2%	117	3.5%

<u>Learn more about International Roadcheck (http://cvsa.org/program/programs/international-roadcheck/)</u>

Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Driver Tip Sheet



CVSA published this tip sheet for carriers and drivers in preparation for this year's Roadcheck that you can print off as a handout for your drivers: Roadcheck handout (http://cvsa.org/wp-content/uploads/what_inspectors_are_looking_for.pdf)

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

My driver has gone through a roadside inspection, how long do I have to keep this documentation on file?

Answer: Copies of all roadside inspections are to be kept by the motor carrier for 12 months. The driver is required to turn in the inspection to the motor carrier within 24 hours. If they are not going to return to the terminal they are to mail in the inspection. If the inspection resulted in violations they are to be corrected or repaired and the inspection form is to be signed and certified that the repairs were completed and sent back to the state of inspection within 15 days.

Best Practice Guidelines for Roadside Inspections:

• Train drivers on how to complete good quality pre-trip inspections to reduce the possibility of violations.

Use Idealease Pre-Post Trip training videos:



English version:

<u>Tractor Trailer (https://youtu.be/9TL62H5yUQA)</u> <u>Straight Truck (https://youtu.be/rsUTQrN-514)</u>

Spanish version:

<u>Tractor Trailer (https://www.youtube.com/embed/529XGiJxTfU)</u> <u>Straight Truck (https://www.youtube.com/embed/SDvbuAuKQLM)</u>

- Review your FMCSA data monthly at https://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov/CompanySnapshot.aspx and enter your DOT number or name.
- After reviewing the snapshot report click on the SMS (CSA) link in the blue box in the upper right-hand corner.
- Review the vehicle and driver basics with the associated inspections and cross-reference the inspections you have on file with the inspections turned in by your drivers. Question those drivers who did not submit inspection reports.
- Review the "Carrier History" tab in the Tools/Resource section on your home page 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 the tractor and trailer files.
- Use the roadside inspection information, such as date, time, and locations to cross-reference with the drivers' hours of service documentation for falsification violations
- Train drivers on how to successfully pass a roadside inspection and how to conduct themselves.
- Keep your vehicles clean and well maintained so as not to be targeted for inspection.
- Advise drivers that moving violations will generate inspections.
- Consider providing an incentive to drivers who successfully pass an inspection.

CVSA's New North American Inspection Standard Takes Effect April 1st



The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's 2022 North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria took effect on Friday, April 1. The 2022 version replaces and supersedes all previous versions.

The North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria as the pass-fail criteria for inspections. The purpose of the criteria is to identify critical violations. Those violations render the driver, vehicle, and/or cargo out of service until the condition(s) or defect(s) can be corrected or fixed. The Out-of-Service Criteria identify critical vehicle inspection items and detail the criteria that can prohibit a

motor carrier or driver from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a specified period or until the condition is corrected.

The 2022 North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria are available in three formats:

- A spiral-bound, hard-copy handbook.
- An electronic handbook, in PDF format, best viewed on a desktop, with a restricted three device and/or web browser limit
- A mobile app, which also contains inspection bulletins, inspection procedures, operational
 policies, inspection and educational videos, brochures, real-life photo examples of vehicle, cargo
 securement, and hazardous materials/dangerous goods violations, and access to the CVSA
 Learning portal for online training, and much more. To download the app, search "CVSA Out-ofService Criteria" in the App Store or Google Play.



National Work Zone Awareness Week April 11-15th

It is that time of the year when our drivers will be confronted with work zones. Every year, about 600 people are killed in roadway work zones. In an average year, about 90 workers are killed in work zones: most of these due to a vehicle entering a marked-off area of construction. It is vital for drivers to eliminate as many distractions as possible as they approach and drive through work zones.

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 the links below:

http://www.nwzaw.org (http://www.nwzaw.org)
https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/ourroads/work-zones-safety-tips
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Speeding to be the focus of 2022 Operation Safe Driver Week July 10th-16th

This year's Operation Safe Driver Week targeting unsafe driving behaviors is scheduled for July 10-16, the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance announced Tuesday.

Law enforcement personnel in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico will be on roadways throughout that week issuing warnings and citations to commercial and passenger vehicle drivers engaging in unsafe driving behaviors, such as speeding, distracted driving, following too closely, improper lane change, drunk or drugged driving, etc.

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