

Safety Newsletter

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CVSA International Roadcheck 2024

Mark your calendars! The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) has announced that the annual International Roadcheck event is scheduled to take place from May 14th to May 16th, 2024. This highly anticipated event is a crucial initiative aimed at promoting commercial vehicle safety and ensuring compliance with regulations across North America.

What is the International Roadcheck?

The International Roadcheck is a three-day enforcement and educational campaign conducted by CVSA in partnership with federal, state, provincial, and local law enforcement agencies. During this period, commercial vehicles of all types and sizes are subject to thorough inspections to assess compliance with safety regulations, including vehicle mechanical fitness and driver qualifications.

Why is it Important?

The International Roadcheck serves as a reminder of the importance of maintaining safe and compliant commercial vehicles on our roads. By conducting these inspections, CVSA aims to identify and address potential safety issues, reduce the number of accidents caused by vehicle defects or driver violations, and ultimately enhance overall road safety.

What to Expect

During the International Roadcheck, law enforcement officials will primarily focus on conducting the North American Standard Level I Inspection, which is the most comprehensive and rigorous inspection. This inspection includes a thorough examination of both the driver and the vehicle, covering areas such as brake systems, tires, lights, cargo securement, and more.

CVSA-certified law enforcement personnel will inspect commercial motor vehicles and drivers at weigh/inspection stations, temporary sites and mobile patrols to verify compliance with federal, state,



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provincial or territorial regulations. Data from the 72 hours of International Roadcheck will be collected and the results will be released this summer.

Each year, International Roadcheck places special emphasis on a category of violations. This year, International Roadcheck will have two focus areas – tractor protection systems and alcohol and controlled substance possession.

Tips for Preparation:

To ensure a successful and hassle-free International Roadcheck experience, it is essential for commercial vehicle operators and drivers to be well-prepared. Here are some tips to help you get ready:

1. **Conduct Pre-Trip Inspections:** Prior to hitting the road, perform thorough pre-trip inspections to identify and address any potential vehicle defects or maintenance issues.
2. **Review Driver Qualifications:** Ensure that all drivers possess the necessary qualifications, including valid commercial driver's licenses (CDLs), medical certificates, and any required endorsements.
3. **Verify Documentation:** Make sure all required documentation, such as vehicle registration, insurance, and driver logs, are up to date and readily accessible.
4. **Train Drivers:** Provide comprehensive training to drivers on safety regulations, proper vehicle operation, and compliance with hours-of-service rules.
5. **Maintain Records:** Keep accurate and up-to-date records of vehicle maintenance, inspections, and driver qualifications to demonstrate compliance during inspections.
6. **Stay Informed:** Stay updated on the latest regulations and industry best practices to ensure ongoing compliance with safety standards.

Remember, the International Roadcheck is not just an enforcement event but also an opportunity to enhance safety practices and promote a culture of compliance within the commercial vehicle industry.

As the CVSA International Roadcheck approaches, it is crucial for commercial vehicle operators and drivers to prioritize safety and compliance. By taking proactive measures, conducting thorough inspections, and ensuring driver qualifications, we can contribute to safer roads and a more efficient transportation industry.

Stay prepared, stay compliant, and let's make the 2024 International Roadcheck a success!