

Get ready for International Roadcheck 2020



The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) International Roadcheck 2020 is now set to take place September 9–11, 2020.¹ Historically, this event has been held the first week of June but had been postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

More than 10,000 CVSA-certified and FMCSA-authorized inspectors will be stationed at 1,500 roadside inspection sites across the United States and Canada to conduct compliance, enforcement and educational initiatives, known as International Roadcheck.¹

As part of 2020 International Roadcheck, federal, state, provincial and local officers will perform Level I inspections around the clock for 72 hours beginning September 9. Level I inspections are the most thorough and include examination

of driver compliance and vehicle safety-related regulations. During this time period, nearly 15 trucks or buses will be inspected every minute.¹

The inspections involve a comprehensive 37-step procedure, which includes items related to vehicle, driver, and cargo safety and securement. Every year, International Roadcheck places special emphasis on a category of violations. This year's focus is on the driver requirements category of a roadside inspection.²

Of the 3.36 million inspections conducted in 2019, 944,794 driver violations were discovered, with 195,545 being due to out-of-service conditions.³



Drivers may need to provide:

- A valid commercial driver's license (CDL)
- A valid Medical Examiner's Certificate
- HOS documentation
- Motor carrier registration
- Shipping documentation



The vehicle inspection checks include:

- Brake systems
- Cargo securement
- Fuel systems
- Lighting devices
- Tire condition



[Learn more about all inspection levels >](#)

Tips for a successful International Roadcheck 2020 experience



For the driver

Prepare yourself:

- Always wear your seat belt
- Have your CDL
- Have your Medical Examiner's Certificate
- Maintain professionalism

Have these items:

- A copy of company's insurance certificate in the tractor
- A copy of company's Hazardous Materials Certificate in the tractor (if applicable)
- A current, up-to-date permit book
- A charged and secure fire extinguisher in the tractor
- The required emergency equipment in the tractor (three reflective triangles)
- Proof of annual inspection for all equipment, including trailers

For HOS, ensure you know:

- The type of ELD installed in the vehicle, per the ELD mandate in December 2019
- How to provide instructions to the Inspector
- How to display required and requested information

For the vehicle

Prepare your equipment:

- Keep your vehicle neat and clean
- Conduct a proper and thorough pretrip inspection

Pay particular attention to:

- Vehicle lighting
- Brakes
- Wheels, tires and rims
- Observable defects

For hazmat situations

Ensure your shipping paper is accurate and contains the following items:

- UN numbers or NA numbers
- Proper shipping name
- Hazard class/division
- Packing group

Ensure that:

- Your placards are not damaged or missing and are on all four sides of the vehicle
- A current Emergency Response Guidebook (ERG) is present in the cab

2019 International Roadcheck results:²

Inspectors conducted more than 60,058 Level I, II or III inspections on large trucks and buses.

3.9% of drivers who received a Level I, II or III inspection were placed out of the service.

21.5% of vehicles that had a Level I inspection were placed out of service.

4.4% of drivers inspected in the U.S. were placed out of service.

The top three out-of-service vehicle violations were for braking systems (28%), tires and wheels (19.3%), and brake adjustment (16.3%).

The top three driver-related violations were for HOS (43.7%), wrong class license (21.4%) and false record of duty status (10.2%).



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