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International Roadcheck

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) annual International Roadcheck will take place June 5-7, 2018. Over that 72-hour period of time, CMV inspectors in jurisdictions throughout North America will conduct inspections of commercial motor vehicles and drivers.

This year's focus is on hours-of-service compliance due to the overwhelming number of drivers found to be not in compliance during the 2017 International Roadcheck. Thirty-two percent of the drivers who were placed out of service during last year's blitz were removed due to violations related to hours-of-service.

In addition to the emphasis on hours-of-service, we can expect that DOT officers will be checking to make sure we are compliant with the FMCSA's Electronic Driver Log Regulations. Make sure that you have the following items to ensure you are compliant:

- Blank Paper Log Book
- PeopleNet Driver Quick Start Guide
- PeopleNet Malfunction Guide
- PeopleNet Log Transfer Guide

Due to the International Roadcheck, we will be conducting a PRETRIPAPALOOZA as we have in the past to make sure we are ready for the increased possibility of inspections. We will be handing out information within the next week that explain what we will be doing this year as well as drawings and prizes that will be available.



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Top 8 CSA Unsafe Driving Violations

In the April edition of Williams News, we discussed a general overview of CSA scores. One of the metrics that we are graded on is Unsafe Driving. It's important that we are driving safely and following the rules of the road. Here are the top 8 CSA unsafe driving violations:

1. **Speeding.** Speeding violations range in severity from 1-10 dependent on speed and location. Speeding 1 encompasses speeding 1-5 mph above the posted limit. Levels 2 and 3 are reserved for speeds 6-10 mph and 11-14 mph respectively. Level 10 severity speeding violations include speeds 15 mph more than the posted speed limit and any speeding in construction zones. Make sure you are watching your speed and following posted limits.
 2. **Failing to use a seatbelt.** This violation is an automatic level 7 for severity. Such a simple, life saving device, yet 2009 racked up over 70,000 of these violations. Failure to wear a seatbelt not only affects our CSA scores, but it also risks lives in the process.
 3. **Failing to obey a traffic control device.** Failure to obey a traffic control device is a general category encompassing running stop signs, red lights, passing in a no-passing zone, and all other ignorance to road signage.
- Make sure you know the rules of the road and maintain awareness of road signs.
4. **Following too close.** Categorized within "dangerous driving" this level 5 offense can be deadly. According to FMCSA, "If you are driving below 40 mph, you should leave at least one second for every 10 feet of vehicle length...For speeds over 40 mph, you should leave one additional second."
 5. **Improper lane change.** An improper lane change is when a person changes or attempts to change lanes without an open and clear path.
 6. **Using/equipping a CMV with a radar detector.** This offense is considered highly illegal as it endangers other drivers on the road. Speeding in a CMV is especially dangerous because of the size of vehicle and cargo.
 7. **Failure to yield right of way.** Failure to yield right of way is a level 5 offense. Be sure to yield right of way for intersections, multi-way stops, pedestrians, and other traffic signage.
 8. **Improper turns.** This violation includes failing to make a complete stop before turning right on red, improper distance from roadside when turning, not utilizing turn signals, and improperly utilizing U-turns.

HAPPENINGS



Driver Referral Bonus

Refer a driver and make \$500! Just a friendly reminder about our driver referral program. If your referred driver lists you on his/her application and works for Williams for 90 days, you will receive a reward of \$500! If you have any questions about what qualifications a driver must meet, contact Nate, Aimee, Tabitha, or Dan.

Driver of the Month - Apr.

John Justice has been chosen as the Driver of the Month for April 2018. John is fairly new to the company but has already proven to be a great acquisition. Workers like John are what sets Williams above the rest. Keep up the good work, John!

Top Wrench - Apr.

Tim Easto is the top wrench for April 2018. Tim has not been with the company very long; however, he has proved to be a good worker in that short amount of time. Be sure to congratulate Tim!