

- Commercial Vehicle Training Bulletin - Evidence Spoliation Risk Alert

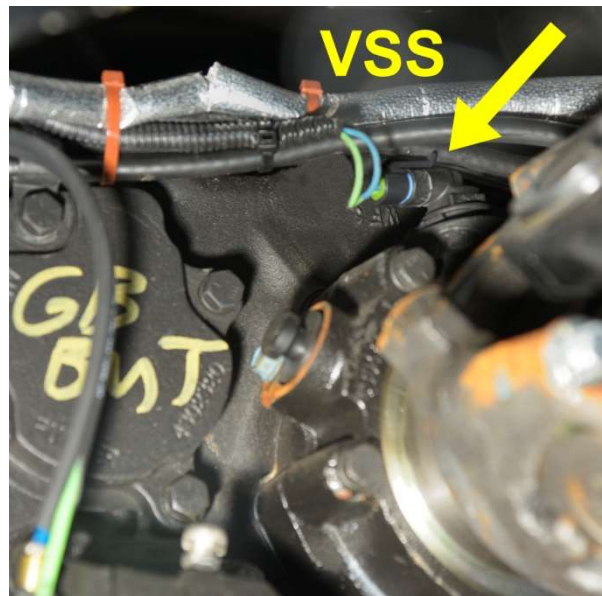
All too often critical digital evidence is lost and overwritten when the tractor is driven or moved after a collision. In many truck engines the last stop data would be overwritten and lost. The vehicle speed sensor (VSS) should be disconnected from the output shaft of the transmission before driving or *even moving the vehicle* at the crash scene. Even if the vehicle is towed from the scene, this precaution should be taken, as the vehicle could be started and driven later at the repair facility.

**DO NOT DRIVE OR MOVE VEHICLE WITHOUT DISCONNECTING THE VEHICLE SPEED SENSOR.
OTHERWISE LAST STOP DATA WILL BE OVERWRITTEN!**

Step 1: Take safety precautions – chock wheels.

Step 2: Crawl under the vehicle and locate its speed sensor near the transmission output shaft – some are on the side – photo shows VSS on the top.

Step 3: Disconnect electrical plug (with 2 wires) from vehicle speed sensor and let hang.



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