

 May 2019

**International Roadcheck**

**June 4-6, 2019**

The CVSA announced that 2019 International Roadcheck will be taking place from June 4-6 throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada. Most drivers who are inspected will receive the full 37 point North American Standard Level I Inspection. This is the largest targeted enforcement program on commercial motor vehicles in the world, with around 17 trucks and buses inspected, on average, every minute during a 72-hour period.

Last year in just 72 hours, 67,502 inspections were conducted and 11,897 vehicles were placed out of service. An additional 2,664 drivers were placed out of service.

The CVSA also announced this year’s violation emphasis will be on steering components and suspension systems.

Make sure to continue a thorough pre-trip inspection.

Be prepared to be inspected!

***It is not too late……***

 Annual Safety Meeting

**May 4, 2019 8:00-Noon**

 Machine Shed

 8515 Hudson Blvd N

 Lake Elmo, MN

**Call DJ today!**

 Guest Speakers Breakfast Prizes

 **Fuel Costs Rising**

As fuel costs continue to rise, a few tips to help conserve fuel.

**SLOW DOWN….**Going just 5mph over 65 mph decreases fuel economy by 7%. What does 7% look like? After averaging three 1200 mile trips and the fuel costs; 7% would be a savings of $56.32. Doesn’t sound like much? Take it times a 100 trucks, 500 trucks, a 1000 trucks.

**TURN IT OFF**….air conditioners take a lot of energy especially at lower speeds. When it is nice outside, turn it off! Turn off all power consuming accessories before turning off the ignition. This action will minimize the engine load at start up.

 **CHECK- IN CALLS**

All drivers on trips are required to contact dispatch ***by*** 8:00am and 1:00pm daily with your location and upon delivery of each vehicle.

Drivers can leave a message on the dispatcher’s voicemail when they leave in the morning and call when they stop for fuel or lunch.

Our clients require status updates daily thru written reports and verbal calls. Dispatch needs to have this information on time, Monday thru Friday.



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**TURN IT IN!**  If you are issued an I-Pass or Nebraska plate for a trip, please remember to turn it *after* each trip.

**After hours support line**— is for *urgent* calls only.

Do not call the support line for issues that can be handled Mon-Fri during business hours.

**LOST & FOUND**—please check the box!

**Availabilit**y—accurate driver availability means more trips for all drivers. Thanks!

**WEX CARDS** are only for fuel for the vehicles. Not for any other fluids, such as DEF, or rental car gas. Please remember to put the Bill of Lading number on each receipt.

**ASSISTANCE NEEDED**. We are building a resource list for all drivers of lodging locations that are friendly to truck drivers and large vehicles. Please pick up a form (or two!) and give us your favorite places to stay.



Memorial Day was first observed in May of 1868. The celebration commemorated the sacrifices of the Civil War and the proclamation made by General John A Logan. Following the proclamation, participants decorated graves of more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers.

In the years since World Was 1, the day has become a celebration of honor for those who died in all America’s wars, as well as those who are Veterans and current members of the US military.

We will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019 in observance of Memorial Day. Please have all paperwork turned in Tuesday, May 28 by noon.

 We thank all that have served.

 *Debra, Scott, Penney, DJ, Jackie,*

 *Donna, Kara and Patti*