



May 2025 Newsletter

CVSA Roadcheck 2025

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Roadcheck is May 13-15. This years emphasis is tires and hours-of-service/false record of duty status.

The importance of proper tire maintenance cannot be overstated. Tire failure while in transit is a hazard to all motorists. It causes significant delays and is far more expensive for motor carriers to repair.

During the tire inspection of a commercial motor vehicle, the inspector will look for:

- Low tread depth
- Audible air leaks
- Flat tires
- Belt material or casing ply exposed in the tread or sidewall
- Tread or sidewall separation
- Bulges in the sidewall
- Improper repairs, such as rubber-coated plugs in the sidewall
- Items lodged between dual tires



We are all familiar with the hours-of-service regulations, but make sure you are dotting your I's and crossing your t's.

Form and manner are easy violations to receive in an inspection. Make sure you have your trailer number, load number, and have your logs certified.

While checking a driver's RODS for hours-of-service compliance, inspectors will also check for:

- Electronic logging device tampering, including driving while not logged in, disconnected devices and improper edits
- Ghost drivers (claiming a co-driver when there is no codriver present)
- Improper use of the personal conveyance special driving category
- Improper use of other exceptions, including adverse driving conditions
- Recording off-duty time while performing work for a motor carrier or non-motor carrier

As always, if you need a refresher or want to double check, please contact safety

Reminder that during those 3 days, our roadside inspection bonus \$\$ will double for inspections with "no violations discovered".





- JESSE B.- TRUCK 763
- RICHARD R. - TRUCK 2459

Please be respectful of the other drivers. I have received complaints from drivers that trailers are being dropped too low.



When chucking wheels, there is a right and wrong way to do so.

The picture on the left makes it difficult to remove the chuck and it can also cause tire damage.

The picture on the right prevents movement of the wheel but also does not put stress on the tire.



Spotlight Driver- Ron Smith

Ron has been an owner operator with GT since 2013 and driven 1,630,232 miles! Ron is always dependable and willing to go where the loads are going. Him and his trusty sidekick Blue are always friendly on the roads and can easily make friends. When Ron is not hard at work he enjoys spending time with his friends and family, hunting, and enjoying the outdoors. We are proud to have you as part of the GT Family!

