



Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspections

Level 8 Proposal

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North American Standard Inspection Levels

Level I – North American Standard Inspection. Complete inspection of driver, vehicle, and cargo.

Level II – Walk-Around Driver/Vehicle Inspection. Inspection of the driver and outside of the vehicle. Requirements for hazardous materials cargo inspected.

Level III – Driver Inspection. Complete inspection of the driver.

Level IV - An inspection conducted in support of special study/research.

Level V - Vehicle inspection only. Usually during a Safety Compliance Review.

Level VI – Inspection of driver/vehicle/cargo for radiological shipments

Level VII – Local jurisdiction inspection in support of local mandated program.



Proposed Level 8 Inspection

Request for Action Received by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance

- Request the creation of a new CVSA Level 8 automated electronic inspection.
- Level 8 inspection to be a standardized procedure governing the electronic collection of data elements currently collected manually during a current Level 3 driver inspection.
- Level 8 inspection to be an automated, at highway speed, collection of data.



Proposed Level 8 Inspection

Important Policy Issues

- Inspections conducted by the jurisdiction or a third party?
- Inspections voluntary or mandatory?
- Fee for the inspection?
- How is the data collected by a third party verified?
- How will the inspection data be used?
- Will the inspection data be available for regulatory/enforcement purposes?
- What weight (if any) will be put on an electronic inspection?





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Issues Need to Be Addressed Prior to Creating an Electronic Inspection Program

Examples of Current Policy Statements (Technology Providers)

- Adheres to a strict data confidentiality policy.
- We don't collect and share driver data.
- We don't support mandatory driver data sharing.
- We don't provide location tracking info to law enforcement.
- We protect our customers from prying eyes.
- We don't collect hours of service information, and don't share driver data such as location tracking, with law enforcement. We're in the bypass business, not the enforcement business.
- We don't think drivers should be required to provide this kind of private data in the future, either. We don't support any plans to make driver data sharing mandatory.



North American Inspection Program

Approximately four-million commercial motor vehicle inspections are conducted every year throughout North America to ensure trucks and buses driving on our roadways are operating safely.

Inspections identify and remove unsafe vehicles and drivers from the roadway.

Goal – prevent truck-at-fault crashes.





Get Involved in the Discussion

- Share this information with your State Safety Enforcement Officials
- Participate in this discussion regarding our National truck inspection program.
- Your State priorities, staff experience and expertise are valuable to a productive outcome.

