

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU'RE INSPECTED

The Level 1 Inspection takes place at a roadside location that the certified CVSA Level 1 Inspector performing the check has determined is suitable and safe. The purpose of the inspection is to ensure that a commercial vehicle is in proper working condition and that the driver is fit to operate it. This is accomplished through a 36-step process that includes checking the truck, trailer equipment, operating certificates, logs and driver's documentation, and conducting a brief interview with the driver.

INSPECTIONS KEEP EVERYONE SAFE

Conducting Level 1 Inspections on a regular basis safeguards commercial vehicle drivers and their equipment and cargo. They also work to both encourage and enforce industry-wide safety, while reducing duplication of inspection efforts and motor carrier operating delays. Overall, the inspections are important to keep the roadways safe for everyone who travels on them.

NORTH AMERICAN STANDARD DRIVER/VEHICLE INSPECTION LEVELS

- Level I: North American Standard Inspection
- Level II: Walk-around Driver/Vehicle Inspection
- Level III: Driver-only Inspection
- Level IV: Special Inspections
- Level V: Vehicle-only Inspection
- Level VI: Enhanced NAS Inspection for Radioactive Shipments



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STEPS IN A NORTH AMERICAN STANDARD LEVEL 1 INSPECTION

- Step 1: Choose the Inspection Site
- Step 2: Approach Your Vehicle
- Step 3: Greet and Prepare You
- Step 4: Interview You
- Step 5: Collect Your Documents
- Step 6: Check for the Presence of Hazardous Materials/Transportation of Dangerous Goods
- Step 7: Identify the Carrier
- Step 8: Examine Your Driver's License
- Step 9: Check Medical Examiner's Certificate and Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate
- Step 10: Check Record of Duty Status
- Step 11: Review Periodic Inspection Report
- Step 12: Prepare You for Vehicle Inspection
- Step 13: Inspect Front of Tractor
- Step 14: Inspect Left Front Side of Tractor
- Step 15: Inspect Left Saddle Tank Area
- Step 16: Inspect Trailer Front
- Step 17: Check Left Rear Tractor Area
- Step 18: Inspect Left Side of Trailer
- Step 19: Inspect Left Rear Trailer Wheels
- Step 20: Inspect Rear of Trailer
- Step 21: Inspect Double, Triple and Full Trailers
- Step 22: Inspect Right Rear Trailer Wheels
- Step 23: Inspect Rear Side of Trailer
- Step 24: Inspect Rear of Tractor Area
- Step 25: Inspect Right Saddle Tank Area
- Step 26: Inspect Right Front Side of Tractor
- Step 27: Inspect Steering Axle
- Step 28: Inspect Axles 2 and/or 3 (Under Carriage of CMV)
- Step 29: Inspect Axles 4 and/or 5
- Step 30: Check Brake Adjustment
- Step 31: Inspect Tractor Protection System
- Step 32: Test Low Air Pressure Warning Device
- Step 33: Test Air Loss Rate
- Step 34: Check Steering Wheel Lash
- Step 35: Check Fifth Wheel Movement
- Step 36: Complete the Inspection

More detailed information on each of the steps can be found in chapter one of the Utah Trucking Guide at www.utahmc.com/trucking_guide or by visiting the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance Website www.cvsa.org.

Sources: CVSA, UDOT Motor Carrier Division