


GENERAL ORDER

	Effective: August 24, 2010	Number: 10-25-010
	Subject:	COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DRIVER AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS, NORTH AMERICAN STANDARD INSPECTION PROGRAM
	Reference:	49 CFR Parts 107, 171-173, 177, 180, 383, 387,390-393, 395-397 ; Minn. Stat. §§ 169.025 , 169.771 , 169.85 , 221.031 , 221.605 , 299D.03 , 299D.06 ; General Order 70-020
	Special Instructions:	Distribution: A,B,C,F **Post in public areas of fixed site commercial driver and vehicle inspection stations.**

I. POLICY

It is the policy of the Minnesota State Patrol to utilize uniform guidelines when conducting commercial vehicle driver and vehicle inspections. Due to the size and weight of commercial vehicles, public safety concerns dictate that regular and routine inspections of commercial vehicle drivers and vehicles occur to assure compliance with the law. The Minnesota State Patrol will use fixed and mobile roadside inspection/enforcement sites of commercial vehicles and drivers as a pro-active commercial vehicle enforcement program intended to promote the safety of those who use the public highways and deter the unsafe operation of commercial vehicles on Minnesota's highways.

II. STANDARD

A. Inspections

1. Only North American Standard Training (NAST) certified inspectors will perform commercial driver and vehicle inspections at fixed and/or mobile inspection stations.
2. All commercial vehicle and driver inspections performed by Minnesota State Patrol employees must be conducted in accordance with the North American Standard (NAS) Inspection Procedures as developed by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) in conjunction with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA).

B. Out-of-Service Violations

For violations resulting in driver and/or vehicle out-of-service provisions, see General Order [70-020](#).

Approved:

Signed 08/24/2010

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