

NSC DAILY VEHICLE TRIP INSPECTION

GOALS OF THE STANDARD

The daily vehicle trip inspection standard is intended to ensure early identification of vehicle problems and defects, and to prevent the operation of vehicles with conditions that are likely to cause or contribute to a collision or vehicle breakdown.

INTRODUCTION

Daily vehicle trip inspection is a continuous process designed to protect drivers and alert carriers to mechanical problems. The general objective of daily vehicle trip inspections is to promote an improved level of safety and compliance in commercial vehicles operating on the highway.

APPLICATION

All motor carriers and drivers operating commercial vehicles as defined in the NSC.

Some jurisdictions may exempt certain types of vehicles from the requirements of this standard. To determine whether any specific vehicle is exempted, please contact the appropriate jurisdiction in which travel is intended.

DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this standard, the following definitions apply:

Commercial Vehicle: (As defined in NSC) A truck, tractor or trailer or combination thereof exceeding a registered gross vehicle weight of 4 500 kg, or a bus designed, constructed and used for the transportation of passengers with a designated seating capacity of more than 10, including the driver, but excluding the operation for personal use.

Inspector: (As defined in NSC) A person duly authorized to enforce federal or provincial statutes related to the Code.

Motor Carrier: (As defined in NSC) A person who owns, leases or is responsible for the operation of a commercial vehicle for the purpose of transporting passengers or goods.

Motor Coach: means a bus of 'monocoque' design, manufactured to provide intercity, suburban, commuter or charter service and equipped with under-floor baggage storage.