



# COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## PRE AND POST TRIP VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT

Month:	Year:
Vehicle number:	

## Instructions

**DRIVERS:** In those instances where a vehicle is driven by more than one driver in a twenty-four (24) hour period (eg. a snow-plow being used all day), the following procedure should be adhered to: The driver whose shift is the first to start during that day (this is, after 12:01 AM) should complete the  **PRE-TRIP** inspection at the beginning of their shift, and the  **POST TRIP** at the end of that shift. **A NEW form must be completed for each shift change that occurs.**

All drivers should indicate any problems they notice with the vehicle in both the  **PRE-TRIP** and  **POST TRIP** section of the inspection report, and initial any box they check. **If necessary for clarification, put comments in the Remarks area regarding the nature of the defect, and whether that defect would be likely to affect the safe operation of the vehicle.** The driver shall complete the Pre & Post Trip Vehicle Inspection Report and sign and date the report.

- (1) CDOT or their agent(s) shall certify on the report(s) that lists any defect(s) or deficiency(s) that the defect(s) or deficiency(s) were corrected or that correction is unnecessary before the vehicle is operated.
- (2) CDOT Field Offices shall retain the original copy of each vehicle inspection report and the certification of repairs for at least 3 months from the date the report was prepared.
- (3) A legible copy of the last vehicle inspection report, certified if required, shall be carried in the vehicle.

**MECHANICS:** When the driver(s) identify defects, the mechanic must determine whether the defect(s) will cause a "vehicle out-of-service" condition.

- a. If the mechanic determines that the defect(s) need not be corrected for the safe operation of the vehicle, then the mechanic will indicate this on the form and sign and date the report.
- b. If the mechanic determines that the defect(s) need repair before safe vehicle operation, then the mechanic will place the vehicle "Out-of-Service", make appropriate repairs, and sign and date the report.

**Exemption. The rules in this section shall not apply to driveaway-towaway operations as specified in Sec. 396.15, or to any motor carrier operating only one vehicle**

### Regulations... (Minimum requirements)

#### Sec 396.11 Driver vehicle inspection report(s)

(a) Report required. Every motor carrier shall require its drivers to report, and every driver shall prepare in writing at the completion of each day's work on each vehicle operated and the report shall cover **at least** the following parts and accessories:

Service brakes including trailer brake connections	Horn
Parking (hand) brake	Windshield wipers
Steering mechanism	Rear vision mirrors
Lighting devices and reflectors	Coupling devices
Tires	Wheels and rims
Emergency equipment	

(b) Report content. The report shall identify the motor vehicle and list any defect or deficiency discovered by or reported to the driver, which would affect safety of operation of the motor vehicle or result in its mechanical breakdown. If no defect or deficiency is discovered by or reported to the driver, the report(s) shall so indicate. In all instances, the driver shall sight the vehicle inspection report. On two-driver operations, only one driver needs to sign the report, provided both drivers agree as to the defects or deficiencies. If a driver operates more than one vehicle during the day, a report shall be prepared for each vehicle operated.

(c) Corrective action. Prior to operating a motor vehicle, motor carriers or their agent(s) shall effect repair of any items listed on the vehicle inspection report(s)

#### 396.13 Driver inspection

Before driving a motor vehicle, the driver shall:

- (a) Be satisfied that the motor vehicle is in safe operating condition;
- (b) Review the last vehicle inspection report required to be carried on the power unit; and
- (c) Sign the report, only if defects or deficiencies were noted by the driver who prepared the report, to acknowledge that the driver has reviewed in and that there is a certification that the required repairs have been performed. The signature requirement does not apply to listed defects on a towed unit, which is no longer part of the vehicle combination.

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**DRIVER'S VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT**

In compliance with 49CFR 396.11&amp;13 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations

Carrier: Colorado Department of Transportation

Address: City: Zip code:

<input type="checkbox"/> PRE-TRIP	Date:	Time:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> POST TRIP	Date:	Time:
Odometer reading (miles):	Starting mileage:			Ending mileage:	

Check any defective item and give details under "Remarks". Check the  for Pre-Trip, and the  for Post Trip inspection.**A. Tractor/Truck number:****Bold** items are red tag offenses recognized by FMCSR; repair before using vehicle.

## Vehicle preview

  Begin with a walk around using the previous Post Trip inspection

## Engine

  Fluid leaks        Battery        Radiator        Engine        Starter  All fluid levels        Transmission

## Cab

  Oil pressure        Windshield        Windows        Wiper blades        Mirrors  
  Clutch        Dash lights        Horn        Spare bulbs & fuses        All instrument gauges  
  Fire extinguisher        First aid kit        Triangles/flags/flares        Heater/Defroster        Seatbelts

## Walk-around

  Body        Back-up alarm        Steps, handles        Coupling devices        Mud flaps  
  Fuel tanks        Tire chains        Rear end        Fluid leaks        Tarpaulin  
  Tires        Muffler        Suspension system        Drive line        Wheels and rims  
  Lug nuts        Front axle        Exhaust system        Frame & assembly        Steering Mechanism  
  Lights        Brake lights        Warning lights        Reflectors        Head lights        Turn signals  
  Brake system        Air lines        Brake accessories        Parking brakes        Air compressor        Service brake  
  Other: \_\_\_\_\_        Slack adjuster travel measurements \_\_\_\_\_**B. Trailer(s) number(s):**

Starting mileage (from hub):

  Brake connections        Brakes        Tires        Coupling device        Doors  
  Hitch        Landing gear        Lights - all        Roof        Tarpaulin  
  Suspension system        Wheels and rims        Lug nuts        Coupling (king) pin  
  Attenuator bolts        Attenuator pins        Other:**C. Aerial device - inspection of vehicle component is accomplished in the "Tractor/Truck" section:**  Fluid leaks        Fasteners        All fluid levels        Power take-off        Liner  
  Outriggers        Hydraulic system        Retaining pins        Welds        Bucket  
  Fiberglass extension        Safety belts & straps        Other:        Test ground controls

Remarks:

  CONDITION OF THE ABOVE VEHICLE IS SATISFACTORY

Pre-trip driver's printed name: Post trip driver's printed name:

Pre-trip driver's signature: Post trip driver's signature:

  ABOVE DEFECTS NEED NOT BE CORRECTED FOR SAFE OPERATION OF THE VEHICLE  ABOVE DEFECTS CORRECTED

Mechanic's signature: Date: Driver's signature: Date: