

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN THE**  
**COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY ALLIANCE**  
**AND**  
**MEMBER JURISDICTIONS**

**Statement of Purpose**

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) is an association of state/territory (United States), provincial/territory (Canada), and federal (Mexico) officials. CVSA is responsible for administering and enforcing motor carrier safety and hazardous materials laws in the United States, Canada, and Mexico working with federal governments and industry to improve commercial vehicle safety. CVSA is a leader in this important safety area by providing the framework for uniformity, compatibility, and reciprocity of inspections and motor carrier safety enforcement throughout the member jurisdictions.

The Alliance may meet and confer with any number of allied organizations who have an interest in enhancing motor carrier safety and hazardous materials safety, bringing together state/federal/provincial and truck/bus industry interests in a one-of-a-kind discussion/problem-solving interchange. This provides an effective mechanism for expressing the consensus views of its member jurisdictions to all parties of interest, including State Legislatures, Congress, Ministry of Transport, and various private groups.

**Statement of Goals**

CVSA's goals are as follows:

- Reduce fatalities, injuries, and incidents by improving safety compliance of commercial vehicle operations through uniform and reciprocal standards, practice, and enforcement throughout North America.
- Establish and maintain effective commercial vehicle safety operational standards and practices, inspection procedures, out-of-service criteria, and enforcement practices and penalties that provide the basis for uniformity, compatibility, and reciprocity among CVSA's member jurisdictions and industry partners.
- Seek and establish partnerships with others who have interests in commercial vehicle safety that lead to greater influence, higher visibility, and more effectiveness in pursuing CVSA's vision.
- Seek and establish understanding with the general public of North America by educating and informing them of CVSA's vision and mission.

- Participate in developing and, as appropriate, delivering training programs in matters of CVSA safety standards, inspection methods and technologies, and compliance practices for other stakeholders.
- Develop inspection methods and technologies, and enforcement practices for vehicle safety inspectors and enforcement officers.
- Certify/Re-Certify training programs for delivering commercial vehicle safety training and conducting commercial vehicle safety inspections and work with member jurisdictions in establishing procedures for certifying/re-certifying inspectors.
- Take the lead in determining, evaluating, and analyzing the commercial vehicle safety data and information needed to support the CVSA mission and vision.
- Provide CVSA members and other vehicle safety stakeholders with assessments of available and emerging technologies, and identify needs and requirements for new commercial vehicle safety related technologies.

### **Statement of Uniformity and Reciprocity**

Except where a member jurisdiction's laws preclude enforcement of named item, signatories and their authorized governmental employees' party to this Memorandum of Understanding agree to implement policies and procedures pursuant to the CVSA Bylaws and Operational Policies. They also agree to grant equal reciprocity to the inspection and enforcement actions taken by all member jurisdictions, except as may be provided in this Memorandum of Understanding.

The agreements expressed in this Memorandum of Understanding apply to the policies and procedures of the member jurisdiction. Nothing in this agreement shall grant or imply a right, privilege, or requirement for or upon any member government or individual not otherwise expressed in the laws governing the parties to this agreement.


In order to advance uniformity in the inspection and enforcement of commercial vehicle motor vehicle regulation, parties to this Memorandum of Understanding agree to adopt the following:

- The CVSA inspection procedures;
- The CVSA decal application policies;
- The CVSA out-of-service criteria;
- The CVSA inspector certification standards;
- The CVSA instructor certification standards;
- And abide by all other CVSA bylaws, operational policies, and procedures.

**General Agreement**



In order to maximize the utilization of commercial motor vehicle enforcement resources; to avoid duplication of effort; to expand the number of enforcement actions performed in North America; and to advance uniformity of enforcement actions affecting the truck and bus industries, the undersigned parties enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

Original signed by

  
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Signature, Executive Director  
Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA)

By my signature, I certify compliance with the terms and conditions contained in this Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Memorandum of Understanding and its bylaws, operational policies, and appendices.

Original signed by

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 Signature  
  
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 Print Name

Member Jurisdiction: MANITOBA

Agency: Motor Carrier Division / MIT

Title: Director / Motor Carrier Safety Programs

Date: Feb 3 / 2015