

DIAP was established in 1988 to support Law Enforcement criminal interdiction activity and CV Traffic Safety Initiatives by providing:

130,000 +
Officials trained since 1988
About 100 events
7,500 each year.



Training



*** MCSAP Safety Initiatives**



Technical Assistance



Investigative Support to LE

* FMCSA's Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program

We only
succeed
when our
customers
succeed!

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§ 350.109 What are the national program elements?
The national program elements include the following five activities:
(a) Driver/vehicle inspections.
(b) Traffic enforcement.
(c) Compliance reviews.
(d) Public education and awareness.
(e) Data collection.

§ 350.111 What constitutes "traffic enforcement" for the purpose of the MCSAP?
Traffic enforcement means enforcement activities of State or local officials, including stopping CMVs operating on highways, streets, or roads for violations of State or local motor vehicle or traffic laws (e.g., speeding, following too closely, reckless driving, improper lane change). To be eligible for funding through the grant, traffic enforcement must include an appropriate North American Standard Inspection of the CMV or driver or both prior to releasing the driver or CMV for resumption of operations.

(q) Promote activities in support of the national program elements listed in § 350.109, including the following three activities:

- (1) Activities aimed at removing impaired CMV drivers from the highways through adequate enforcement of restrictions on the use of alcohol and controlled substances and by ensuring ready roadside access to alcohol detection and measuring equipment.
- (2) Activities aimed at providing an appropriate level of training to MCSAP personnel to recognize drivers impaired by alcohol or controlled substances.
- (3) Interdiction activities affecting the transportation of controlled substances by CMV drivers and training on appropriate strategies for carrying out those interdiction activities.

Why?

FMCSA, through their DIA Program:

- Encourages CV Officials to deal with crime.
- General Duty Officials to deal with trucks.
- Industry Officials to deal with security.

Simply Stated:
FMCSA encourages officials to safely and lawfully interdict threats posed by unsafe or unfit Commercial Vehicles and drivers operating outside the norms and standards of the industry.

Status:

As of November 2009, the number of Carriers (companies) on file with the FMCSA totaled:

- 227,930 for-hire carriers
- 282,485 private carriers
- 81,466 "other" interstate motor carriers

Over 591,000 carriers (companies)

- 96 % operate with fewer than 20 trucks!
- 88% operate with six trucks or less.

The overwhelming majority of carriers and CV drivers are engaged in lawful commerce and are committed to Commercial Vehicle safety.

DIAP initiatives convey:

- "Norms of the CV Industry"
- "Anomalies" sometimes demonstrated by impaired drivers
or criminals in transit

18,000 + LE Agencies in the US
800,000 LE Officials

Data-driven detection techniques are delivered to CMV specialists and General Duty Officials.

In every lawful engagement with a CV driver or vehicle, ask questions until you have none; make an assessment, and, if required, take appropriate action to reduce risks: arrest, place out of service, cite, search, release, detain, or report the driver and/or vehicle.

There are no "filters" on Criminal Indicators!

The "Rapid Assessment" of Commercial Vehicles and drivers by officials has led to in-transit apprehensions of:

- Impaired Driver
When a truck driver abuses illicit drugs, the drug of choice is often methamphetamine.
- National "Watch List" suspects
- Wanted fugitives
- Contraband smugglers
Including Illicit alcohol, explosives, currency, drugs, human cargo, tobacco, and weapons.

Discussion

- A very small % of LE Officials have specialized CV training.
- Many general duty officials are uncomfortable dealing with trucks.
- Training and awareness programs can raise the *comfort level* of general duty officials when dealing with CVs and drivers.
- CVSA-qualified inspectors conduct around 4 million CV inspections each year!
- Each inspection provides an opportunity to identify an impaired or unfit driver or a threat to our communities.
- Result?
 - More valid contacts and lawful assessments of drivers.
 - Increased opportunities to remove impaired or unfit drivers.

Consider partnerships to leverage expertise!

Your questions
