



Department of
Transportation

NYSDOT UPDATES

Jeff Corey, Field Operations Manager

March 2026

Passenger Carrier Safety Bureau

Passenger Carrier Safety Bureau

Director – Marc Berger

Jeff Corey- Field Operations Manager

Main Office Managers

Chad Smith

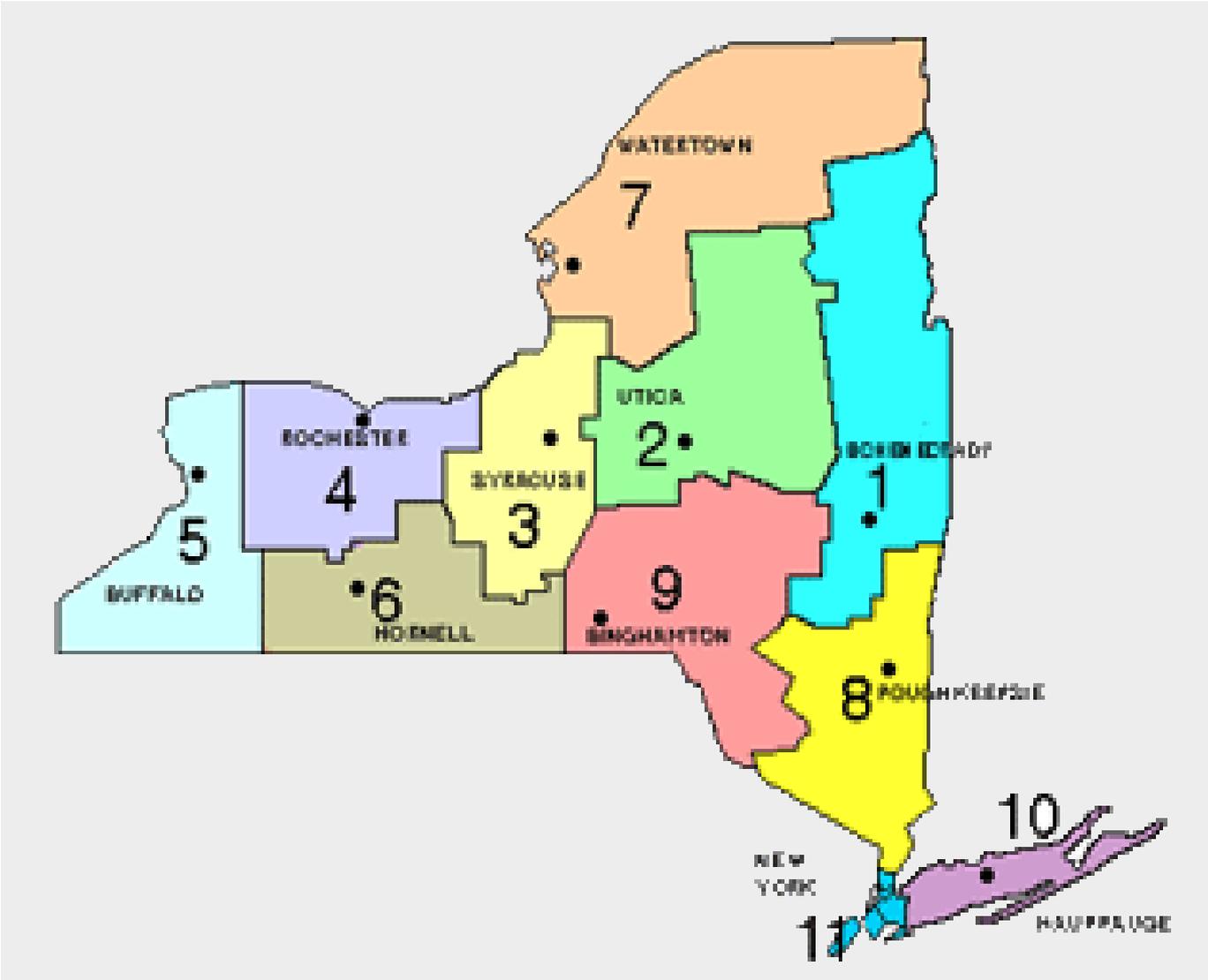
Steve Farina

Nick Berard

13 Field Supervisors

96 Motor Vehicle Inspectors

Inspect Approx 62,000 vehicles Biannually



Topics

- **New supervisors**
- **Hiring status**
- **Torque equipment**
- **Out of service vehicles and stickers**
- **Shop lift inspections**

New Supervisors

New Hires

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

- OOS Rates – Non School
- SFY 24-25 – 5.5%, Overall – 4.1%

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Statewide

- “A” – Exhaust Leaks
- “B” – Operator Name Defects
- “C” – Exterior Panel Corrosion

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Downstate

- “A” – Exhaust Leaks
- “B” – Operator Name Defects
- “C” – Exterior Panel Corrosion

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Capitol Region

- “A” – Brake Stopping Distance
- “B” – Defective Seat Belt Assembly
- “C” – Ext Body Panel Corrosion

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Syracuse Area

- “A” – Exhaust Leaks
- “B” – School Sign Illumination
- “C” – Stepwell Light Inoperative

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Buffalo Area

- “A” – Brake Stopping Distance
- “B” – Marker Lamps
- “C” – Ext Body Panel Corrosion

OOS Rates/Violation Trends

Violation Trends for last Fiscal Year

Southern Tier

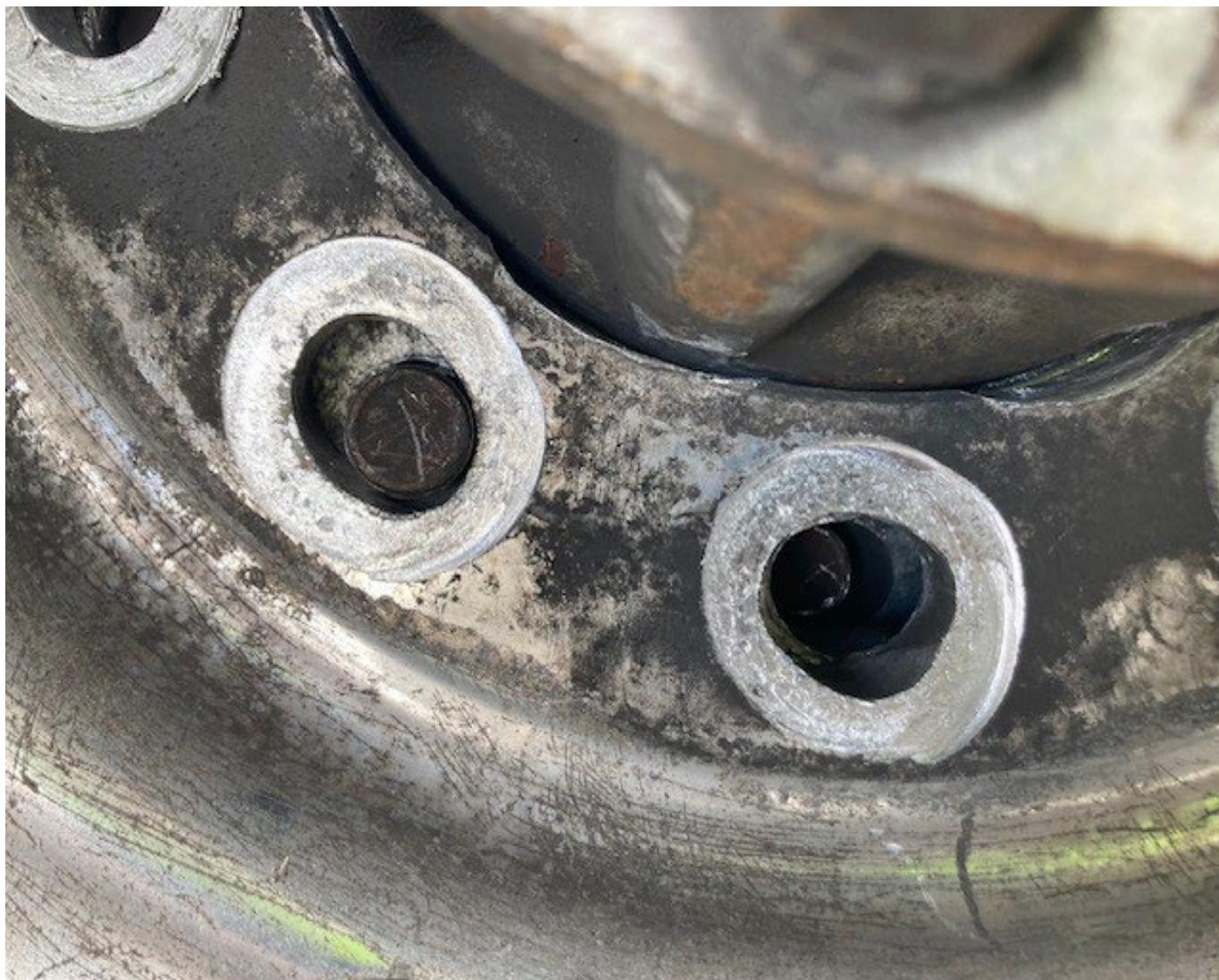
- “A” – Exhaust Leaks
- “B” – Cleanliness
- “C” – Exterior Body Panel Corrosion

Torque equipment

721.1 MAINTENANCE.

(C) **Method of Repair:** All such repairs shall be made in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended procedures or industry accepted techniques. In addition, all repairs shall be done in a worker-like manner and shall not reduce the effectiveness of any component.





Out of Service Vehicles

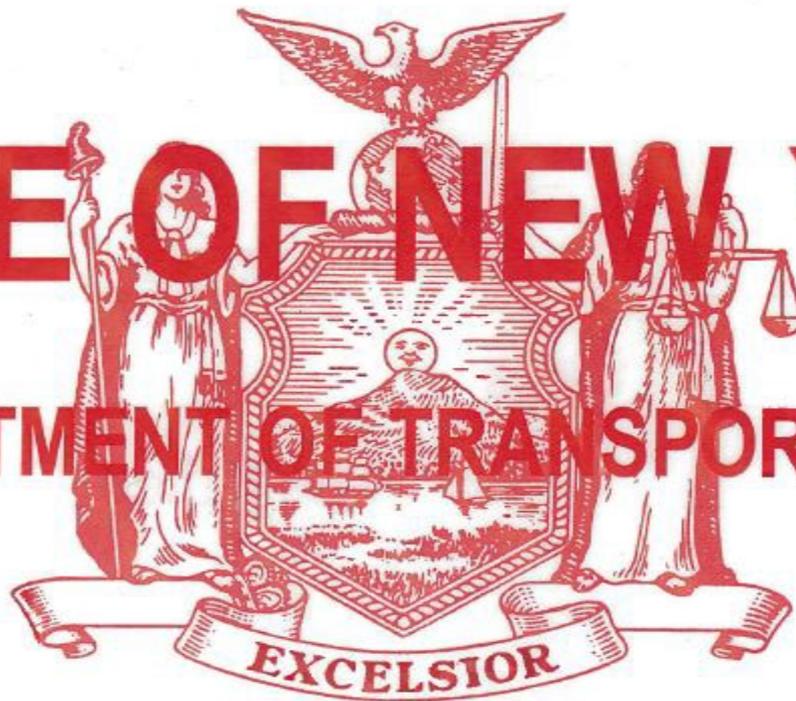
NYSDOT Inspection results in a failed inspection for a non-highway prohibited “A” defect:

- Vehicle placed Out of Service
- Vehicle will have attached sticker (8.5” X 11”) applied to the center of the windshield
- Vehicle may be operated in order to conduct maintenance when repaired and in compliance with other requirements for a period of 15 days.

MC 115 (6/18)

STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



VEHICLE OUT-OF-SERVICE

NO OPERATOR AND/OR PERSON SHALL OPERATE THIS VEHICLE WITH PASSENGERS UNTIL A VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED

OPERATION OF THIS VEHICLE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF REPAIR IS ONLY VALID FOR 15 DAYS FROM DATE OF FAILED INSPECTION

Date of Failed Inspection _____ **Operator Name** _____

Bus No. _____ **Make** _____ **Year** _____ **Plate #** _____

VIN # _____

Inspector Signature _____

THIS DECAL SHALL NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL THE OUT-OF-SERVICE DEFECTS NOTED ON THE SEMI-ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT HAVE BEEN CORRECTED AND A VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED

MC 115 (9/21)

Out of Service Vehicles A-HP

NYSDOT inspection results in one or more HIGHWAY PROHIBITED defects found:

- Vehicle placed Out of Service
- **Vehicle cannot be operated on any roadway until a valid NYSDOT certificate is displayed**
- Vehicle will have attached sticker (8.5" X 11") applied to the center of the windshield



**NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HIGHWAY OPERATION
PROHIBITED**

**THIS VEHICLE HAS BEEN PLACED OUT-OF-SERVICE AND CANNOT
BE OPERATED UNTIL PROPERLY REPAIRED AND A VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE
OF INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED**

**UNAUTHORIZED REMOVAL OF THIS DECAL OR OPERATION OF THIS VEHICLE
WITHOUT MAKING PROPER REPAIRS AND A VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE OF
INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED SHALL MAKE THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE SUBJECT
TO A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$10,000 PURSUANT TO SECTION 145 OF THE NYS
TRANSPORTATION LAW**



**THIS VEHICLE IS PROHIBITED FROM OPERATING ON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY
UNTIL ALL OUT-OF-SERVICE DEFECTS HAVE BEEN CORRECTED AND A
VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED PER
17 NYCRR 720/721**

Date of Failed Inspection _____ Operator Name _____

Bus No. _____ Make _____ Year _____ Plate # _____

VIN # _____

Inspector Signature _____

**THIS DECAL SHALL NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL THE OUT-OF-SERVICE DEFECTS
NOTED ON THE SEMI-ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT HAVE BEEN CORRECTED
AND A VALID NYSDOT CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION IS DISPLAYED**

MC 111 (9/21)

Facility lift inspections

Garage automotive lifts must be maintained per manufacturers schedule and inspected yearly by a qualified person

NYSDOT requires proof of yearly inspections be available or ALI decal displayed

ALI inspections are preferred but not mandatory

Due to NYSDOT employees working in the garage area we reserve the right to have the facility inspected by our safety office and must pass all building codes

Definition of a Reportable Accident

(a) Any accident in any way involving a motor vehicle subject to department inspection, which results in the loss of life or injury of any passenger, employee or other person, or which was caused by mechanical failure (regardless of whether or not injuries were incurred), shall be immediately reported to the department within 12 hours of the initial occurrence by telephone or electronically to: sticc@dot.ny.gov

(b) In addition to an incident commonly known as an accident, the following are reportable accidents within the purview of this Part:

- 1.any mechanical failure;
- 2.evidence of intrusion into the body of the vehicle of carbon monoxide, exhaust fumes emitted from such vehicle, or other noxious gases or smoke;
- 3.smoke (other than normal exhaust) emanating from the engine or any other part of the vehicle, whether internal or external; and
4. presence of or emission, whether internal or external, of sparks, flame or fire.

1. disabling damage caused by an accident such that the motor vehicle must be transported from the scene by a tow truck or another motor vehicle

(c) No work shall be performed on and no passengers shall be transported in the vehicle involved until it is released by the Department of Transportation.

QUESTIONS?

Topics

- **OOS Rates/Violation Trends**
- **Roadside Inspections – English Language Proficiency**
- **Proposed Legislation**
- **Questions From The Board**

Roadside Inspections - ELP

- On April 28, 2025, POTUS signed EO 14286 directing FMCSA to rescind 2016 policy that removed the requirement to place drivers OOS for Non-English proficiency.
- Effective June 25, 2025, CVSA added non-compliance with Non-English proficiency standards to OOSC.

Proposed Legislation

- A6989 – “Motor Carrier Safety Compliance Requirement Act”
- Requires motor carriers who contract work to other motor carriers to perform vetting
- Contracted carriers required to report to contracting carries
- Failure to vet or knowingly using non-compliant carrier will result in penalties
- Liability for damages as result of crash

Proposed Legislation

- A5915 – “Comprehensive Passenger Safety Enhancement Act”
- Mandates seat belt use
- Conduct pre-trip safety briefings
- Require regular inspections
- Enforce stricter compliance measures

Questions From The Board

- What would be the process for obtaining DOT approval of retro-fitting a passenger motorcoach with an APU for idling law compliance? This would include the installation of a diesel generator meeting EPA Tier 4 standards in the luggage bay and the altering of the roof to accommodate the installation of heat pump units on the roof of the motorcoach.

Questions From The Board

- DOT reaction to the "in-route safety inspection for motor coach vehicles act" that will require roadside inspections at rest areas - No. A7028.

Questions From The Board

- If a vehicle has a valid diamond inspection sticker issued by a Motor Vehicle Inspector, why does the same vehicle have to be inspected by a Motor Carrier Investigator? Similarly, Motor Carrier Investigators and DMV 19A Reviewers look at much of the same paperwork. Is there a way to combine or otherwise streamline these inspections to lessen the burden on the operator and reduce the cost to taxpayers?