



New Trip Inspection Standard

Under new regulations, all commercial vehicles (trucks/power units registered over 5,000Kg RGVM), and any trailers or semi-trailers that they are towing, must be inspected by the driver or a qualified person every 24 hours (when being operated). The carrier must supply a list of inspection items, as per Schedule 1 of the regulations (attached), to the person doing the inspection.

Schedule 1 identifies **defects** and **major defects** in each inspection item type. The list must be carried in the vehicle and presented to a peace officer on request.

Items that must be checked during each inspection are as follows;

- Air Brake System (if applicable)
- Cab
- Cargo Securement
- Coupling Devices
- Dangerous Goods (if any)
- Driver Controls
- Driver Seat
- Electric Brake System (if applicable)
- Emergency Equipment & Safety Devices
- Exhaust System
- Exterior Body & Frame
- Frame & Cargo Body
- Fuel System
- General Defects
- Glass and Mirrors
- Heater/Defroster
- Horn
- Hydraulic Brake System (if applicable)
- Lamps and Reflectors
- Steering
- Suspension System
- Tires
- Wheels, Hubs & Fasteners
- Windshield Wiper/Washer

The inspection must be recorded on an inspection report that must be carried in the vehicle and produced for inspection on request of a peace officer. The report form is not prescribed in regulation however must contain the following information;

- License plate or unit number of the vehicle
- Carrier's name
- Date and time of inspection
- City, town, village or highway location where the inspection was performed
- A statement signed by the person conducting the inspection and by the person driving the vehicle (if different than the person inspecting the vehicle) that the vehicle identified on the report has (have) been inspected in accordance with the applicable requirements
- The legible printed name of the person conducting the inspection; and
- Odometer reading (if equipped)

A sample trip inspection report is attached. The form is not prescribed in regulation and may take any form, as long as it contains the necessary information.

When defects are detected they must be noted on the inspection report and reported to the carrier forthwith. Defects **must** be repaired before the next trip inspection. **If major defects are encountered the vehicle(s) must not be driven until the defects are repaired**

Drivers are required to forward copies of their trip inspection reports to their carrier every 20 days and carriers are required to keep the reports on file for 6 months.

Note: There are exemptions to the regulations. Two and three axle farm trucks when used in farming operations, emergency vehicles, urban transit buses, recreational vehicles, and vehicle responding to natural disasters are exempt from these regulations.

Please contact (306)933-5290 for more information.

The Security of Loads and Trip Inspection Regulations are available from the Saskatchewan Queen's Printer web site at <http://www.qp.gov.sk.ca/>.



Schedule 1 - Truck, Tractor and Trailer

Application

This schedule applies to trucks, tractors and trailers or combinations thereof exceeding a registered gross vehicle weight of 5,000 kg.

Inspection Item	Defect(s)	Major Defect(s)
1. Air Brake System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Audible air leak - Slow air pressure build-up rate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pushrod stroke of any brake exceeds the adjustment limit - Air loss rate exceeds prescribed limit - Inoperative towing vehicle (tractor) protection system - Low air warning system fails or system is activated - inoperative service, parking or emergency brake
2. Cab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Occupant compartment door fails to open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any door fails to close securely
3. Cargo Securement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Insecure or improper load covering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Insecure cargo - Absence, failure, malfunction or deterioration of required cargo securement device or load covering
4. Coupling Devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coupler or mounting has loose or missing fastener 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coupler is insecure or movement exceeds prescribed limit - Coupling or locking mechanism is damaged or fails to lock - Defective, incorrect or missing safety chain/cable
5. Dangerous Goods		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dangerous goods requirements not met
6. Driver controls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Accelerator pedal, clutch, gauges, audible and visual indicators or instruments fail to function properly 	
7. Driver Seat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seat is damaged or fails to remain in set position 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seatbelt or tether belt is insecure, missing or malfunctions
8. Electric Brake System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Loose or insecure wiring or electrical connection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inoperative breakaway device - Inoperative brake
9. Emergency Equipment and Safety Devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency equipment is missing, damaged or defective 	
10. Exhaust System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exhaust leak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leak that causes exhaust gas to enter the occupant compartment

Inspection Item	Defect(s)	Major Defect(s)
11. Frame and Cargo Body	- Damaged frame or cargo body	- Visibly shifted, cracked, collapsing or sagging frame member(s)
12. Fuel System	- Missing fuel tank cap	- Insecure fuel tank - Dripping fuel leak
13. General		- Serious damage or deterioration that is noticeable and may affect the vehicle's safe operation
14. Glass and Mirrors	- Required mirror or window glass fails to provide the required view to the driver as a result of being cracked, broken, damaged, missing or maladjusted - Required mirror or glass has broken or damaged attachments onto vehicle body	
15. Heater/Defroster	- Control or system failure	- Defroster fails to provide unobstructed view through the windshield
16. Horn	- Vehicle has no operative horn	
17. Hydraulic Brake System	- Brake fluid level is below indicated minimum level - Parking brake is inoperative	- Brake boost or power assist is not operative - Brake fluid leak - Brake pedal fade or insufficient brake pedal reserve - Activated (other than ABS) warning device - Brake fluid reservoir is less than 1/4 full
18. Lamps and Reflectors	- Required lamp does not function as intended - Required reflector is missing or partially missing	<i>When lamps are required:</i> - Failure of both low-beam headlamps - Failure of both rearmost tail lamps <i>At all times:</i> - Failure of a rearmost turn-indicator lamp - Failure of both rearmost brake lamps
19. Steering	- Steering wheel lash (free-play) is greater than normal	- Steering wheel is insecure, or does not respond normally - Steering wheel lash (free-play) exceeds required limit
20. Suspension System	- Air leak in air suspension system - Broken spring leaf - Suspension fastener is loose, missing or broken	- Damaged, deflated air bag - Cracked or broken main spring leaf or more than one broken spring leaf - Part of spring leaf or suspension is missing, shifted out of place or in contact with another vehicle component - Loose U-bolt

Inspection Items	Defect(s)	Major Defect(s)
21. Tires	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Damaged tread or sidewall of tire - Tire leaking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flat tire - Tire tread depth is less than wear limit - Tire is in contact with another tire or any vehicle component other than mud-flap - Tire is marked "Not for highway use" - Tire has exposed cords in the tread or outer side wall area
22. Wheels, Hubs and Fasteners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hub oil below minimum level (when fitted with sight glass) - Leaking wheel seal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wheel has loose, missing or ineffective fastener - Damaged, cracked or broken wheel, rim or attaching part - Evidence of imminent wheel, hub or bearing failure
23. Windshield Wiper/Washer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Control or system malfunction - Wiper blade damaged, missing or fails to adequately clear driver's field of vision 	<p><i>When necessary for prevailing weather conditions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wiper or washer fails to adequately clear driver's field of vision in area swept by driver's side wiper

Trip Inspection Report (sample)

Date _____ Time _____ Location of Inspection _____

Name _____ Carrier Name _____
Print name of person performing inspection

License Plate and/or Unit No: Truck/Tractor _____ Trailer(s) _____ Odometer Reading(if equipped) _____

Results of Inspection

No defects found The following defects were found

I declare that the vehicle(s) shown above has (have) been inspected in accordance with the applicable requirements.

Signature of person conducting inspection Signature of driver
(if different than person conducting inspection)

The above noted defects were repaired.

Authorized signature Date

NOTE: This sample is provided for reference only. It is not a prescribed form in regulation and carriers/drivers are free to use this form or develop their own form, or any other form available (eg one's that are pre-printed on the back of some log book pages) , provided it contains all of the necessary information. The form can contain an inspection item checklist but is not required to.