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Truck & Bus Enforcement Training (T&BET)

Improving Traffic Safety by Conducting Commercial Motor Vehicle Stops



Not a CMV Inspector Course; Empowers Officers to Include Large Trucks and Buses within their Traffic Enforcement Efforts

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Curriculum

- Designed to provide the knowledge and skills appropriate to safely and effectively conduct CMV stops, the curriculum addresses:
 - how CMV traffic enforcement is vital to highway safety,
 - what to consider about where to conduct a stop,
 - what vehicle observations are relevant to highway safety and
 - what driver interactions to consider.






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- Includes video segment intended to illustrate what CMV traffic enforcement best practices look like in real world situations.
- Offers various strategies and procedures to safely overcome officers' objections to stopping large vehicles.
- Video training materials for the classroom, online, and roll call training.





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Delivery

- At www.fmcsa.dot.gov/trafficenforcement you will find:
 - The curriculum
 - A promotional video
 - A one-page promotional handout
 - An instructor guide
- You can also:
 - Obtain contact information
 - Review the training schedule
 - Schedule training



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Background

- Each year more than 4,000 people lose their lives on U.S. highways in crashes involving large trucks and buses.
- Large trucks and buses represent approximately 4 percent of the registered vehicles, 9 percent of the vehicle miles traveled – but they are involved in 13 percent of all fatal crashes.
- When a driver speeds, makes improper lane changes, tailgates, drives and texts or otherwise becomes distracted, the result can turn deadly in an instant.
- Some officers are reluctant to enforce traffic violations for large trucks and buses. This reluctance may be linked to circumstances on the road that make it complicated to safely pullover an 80,000-pound commercial motor vehicle.

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