

Pre Trip Inspection Checklist: CMV Walkaround

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Vehicle and driver

CARRIER NAME

USDOT NUMBER

DATE

TIME

LOCATION

DRIVER NAME

CDL / EMPLOYEE NO.

TRACTOR / UNIT NUMBER

VIN

LICENSE PLATE

TRAILER NUMBER

TRAILER PLATE

STARTING MILES

ENGINE HOURS

VEHICLE CLASS

INSPECTION TYPE

☐ Last DVIR reviewed (49 CFR 396.13). Sign the prior report if required.

☐ If the last report listed defects, repairs were certified or the defects were certified unnecessary.

In cab and engine start

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Safe entry / parking brake	☐	☐	☐	
Seat belt	☐	☐	☐	
Lighting indicators	☐	☐	☐	
ABS indicator	☐	☐	☐	
DEF / DPF indicator	☐	☐	☐	
Gauges	☐	☐	☐	
Air pressure gauge	☐	☐	☐	
Governor cutoff (air)	☐	☐	☐	
Air leakage rate (CDL test)	☐	☐	☐	
Low air warning	☐	☐	☐	
Emergency / spring brake pop-out	☐	☐	☐	
Tractor protection valve	☐	☐	☐	

Parking brake hold	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer parking brake hold	☐	☐	☐	_____
Service brake check	☐	☐	☐	_____
Hydraulic brake check (if equipped)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fire extinguisher	☐	☐	☐	_____
Warning devices	☐	☐	☐	_____
Spare fuses or breakers	☐	☐	☐	_____
Windshield	☐	☐	☐	_____
Mirrors and cameras	☐	☐	☐	_____
Wipers and washers	☐	☐	☐	_____
Heater and defroster	☐	☐	☐	_____
Horn(s)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Clutch / gear selector	☐	☐	☐	_____

Engine compartment

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Hood / tilt latches	☐	☐	☐	_____
Engine oil	☐	☐	☐	_____
Coolant	☐	☐	☐	_____
Power steering fluid	☐	☐	☐	_____
Brake fluid (hydraulic only)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Washer fluid	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fluid leaks	☐	☐	☐	_____
Air leaks (if air equipped)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Hoses	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drive belts	☐	☐	☐	_____
Air compressor	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering gear box	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering hoses and connections	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering linkage (visible)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Pitman arm	☐	☐	☐	_____
Exhaust (engine bay)	☐	☐	☐	_____

Wiring / battery (if under hood)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fan and shroud	☐	☐	☐	_____

Front, lights, and steering axle

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Headlamps (low beam)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Headlamps (high beam)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front turn signals	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front 4-way flashers	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front identification lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front clearance lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front side markers / reflectors	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front lenses overall	☐	☐	☐	_____
Lights operation (front)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering wheel and column	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering lash	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering travel	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle tires: inflation	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle tires: condition	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle tread depth	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front tire type	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle rims / wheels	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle fasteners	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle springs / mounts	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle air bags	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle shocks	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle brake lines	☐	☐	☐	_____
Steering axle brake contaminants	☐	☐	☐	_____
Axle alignment / U-bolts	☐	☐	☐	_____

Side, tandem, and coupling

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Vehicle class (label)	☐	☐	☐	_____

Side marker lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Side lenses and reflectors	☐	☐	☐	_____
Side mirrors / cameras	☐	☐	☐	_____
Battery / electrical	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fuel tank(s)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Frame (power unit)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Catwalk, steps, deck plate	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drive axle tires	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drive axle rims and lugs	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drive axle suspension	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drive axle brakes	☐	☐	☐	_____
Tandem / slider (tractor or trailer)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Air lines and gladhands	☐	☐	☐	_____
Electrical line / 7-way	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fifth wheel skid plate (Class A tractor-semitrailer)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Kingpin, apron, and gap	☐	☐	☐	_____
Fifth wheel lock and safety	☐	☐	☐	_____
Landing-gear clearance (combo)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Pintle hook (Class A truck and trailer, if equipped)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drawbar ring and tongue (pintle)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Safety chains / cables (full trailer or pintle)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Other hitch types	☐	☐	☐	_____

Trailer or cargo area

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Landing gear	☐	☐	☐	_____
Conspicuity tape (sides)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer frame and crossmembers	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer floor, walls, roof	☐	☐	☐	_____
Doors, hinges, locks, seals	☐	☐	☐	_____
Tailgate, tailboard, tarps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Cargo distribution	☐	☐	☐	_____

Cargo securement devices	☐	☐	☐	_____
View and emergency access	☐	☐	☐	_____
Header board / bulkhead	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer tandem slider	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer side lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Trailer ABS lamp	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: brakes visible	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: lights and conspicuity	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: wheels and tires	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: air lines	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: kingpin / upper coupler	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: rails and bolsters	☐	☐	☐	_____
Intermodal chassis: locks and sliders	☐	☐	☐	_____
Sealed load exception	☐	☐	☐	_____
Straight truck cargo area	☐	☐	☐	_____

Rear, brakes, and tires

Item	OK	Defect	N/A	Notes
Tail lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Stop lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear turn signals	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear 4-way flashers	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear identification lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear clearance lamps	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear side markers / reflectors	☐	☐	☐	_____
License plate lamp	☐	☐	☐	_____
Backup lamp (power unit)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Conspicuity tape (rear)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining axle tires: inflation	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining axle tires: condition	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining axle tread depth	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining rims / wheels	☐	☐	☐	_____

Remaining wheel fasteners	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining springs / air bags / shocks	☐	☐	☐	_____
Air suspension leak check	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining brake lines / hoses	☐	☐	☐	_____
Remaining brake contaminants	☐	☐	☐	_____
Slack adjusters / chambers (if visible)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Mud flaps / splash guards	☐	☐	☐	_____
Rear underride / bumper	☐	☐	☐	_____
Final lights sweep	☐	☐	☐	_____
Chocks, leaks, ready to roll	☐	☐	☐	_____

Defects and sign-off

DEFECTS FOUND

ACTION TAKEN

☐ Vehicle is in safe operating condition for this trip

DRIVER SIGNATURE

TIME SIGNED

MECHANIC / CARRIER SIGNATURE (IF REPAIRS)

REPAIR CERT DATE

OTHER COMMENTS

Reference only. Verify against the vehicle OEM procedure and applicable regulations.