

Traffic enforcement for commercial motor vehicles violations is a vital element in preventing crashes—and saving lives.

- Due to size, weight, and increased stopping distance, commercial motor vehicles are disproportionately involved in traffic fatalities.
- Serious moving violations such as speeding, tailgating, improper lane changes, reckless driving, and driving while fatigued or impaired are the leading causes of crashes.
- Commercial drivers who commit serious traffic violations may also be involved in serious crimes—from moving fraud to drug smuggling to human trafficking.

*“one of the major challenges for officers stopping large trucks and buses is not doing it all of the time...because it’s not something they have traditionally been taught to do
...This curriculum is designed to help officers effectively stop trucks and buses and save lives throughout the country.”*

—Peggy M. Schaefer, Project Manager, Data-Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety, International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training

Truck and Bus Traffic Enforcement Training:

- Provides techniques for safe, effective commercial vehicle traffic stops.
- Helps get dangerous commercial drivers off the road.
- May help detect and deter other serious crimes.
- Reduces serious traffic violations.
- Prevents hazardous cargo spills and crash-related traffic congestion that endanger your community and divert law enforcement from critical responsibilities.



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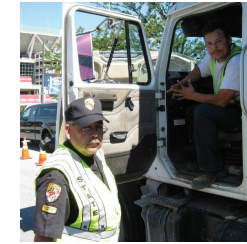


*“...we need to demystify the stopping of large trucks and commercial motor vehicles...
If...the officer sees that it’s simply another traffic stop,
then I truly believe we can impact lives.”*

—Brett C. Railey, Chief of Police, Winter Park Police Department, Winter Park, FL



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The course includes concise and engaging PowerPoint presentations. Training can be conducted in one session, or multiple sessions to meet your department's needs.

Seven modules cover topics including:

- Violations that cause crashes
- Safety concerns before, during, and after vehicle stops
- Documentation requirements
- Indicators of severe vehicle defects

The Instructor's Guide explains course content and provides suggestions for customizing training with examples and departmental policy.

"It's wonderful information... on why we should be looking at commercial vehicles...and how we can really impact the behavior of drivers in that industry to reduce fatalities [and] to take the traffic stop to the next level [with] big drug seizures, finding human trafficking, and reducing...crashes."

—MC Spl/Sgt. David M. Haynes, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Training Coordinator Trooper Development Section, Michigan State Police

"...we have the capability to make a difference if we simply apply the appropriate fundamentals... to stopping commercial motor vehicles... All officers can do it and can be part of a pretty important initiative."

—Chief Murray "Bud" Pendleton, Chief of Police of Waterford, Waterford Connecticut (Retired)

