

NEWS BRIEF

CVSA's Brake Safety Week Scheduled for Aug. 24-30



The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) recently [scheduled](#) this year's Brake Safety Week for Aug. 24-30, 2025. This annual event emphasizes the importance of ensuring sufficient brake systems are in place in commercial motor vehicles (CMVs). Specifically, the event highlights the role that brake maintenance and efficiency play in reducing brake-related CMV accidents on the road.

The CVSA's annual Brake Safety Week highlights the importance of maintaining sufficient brake systems in CMVs.

The focus of this year's event is brake drums and rotors. During this weeklong initiative, law enforcement personnel in the United States, Mexico and Canada will educate drivers and motor carriers about the importance of brake safety. Certified vehicle inspectors will review CMVs using the CVSA's North American out-of-service criteria and remove any CMVs with brake-related violations from the roadways. Conducting these inspections, identifying brake-related violations and placing unsafe CMVs out of service is important to ensure roadway safety. Results from last year's 2024 Brake Safety Week showed that:

- Of the 14,692 CMVs inspected in the United States, more than a tenth (12.9%) were placed out of service for brake-related issues.
- Out of 2,149 CMVs placed out of service, 1,355 (63.1%) had stand-alone out-of-service brake violations and 217 (10.1%) had steering axle brake out-of-service violations.
- During last year's focus on long lining/pad violations, inspectors found 382 lining/pad violations on power (tractor) units and 272 on towed (trailer) units.

Sixty-one jurisdictions participated in last year's Brake Safety Week, and 18 states with performance-based brake testers participated.

The CVSA consistently schedules Brake Safety Week in August in conjunction with Brake Safety Awareness Month. The announcement of the event takes place in advance to allow time for motor carriers, commercial drivers and mechanics to assess and service their vehicles—thus ensuring their CMVs (especially their brake systems) are in safe working condition while out on the roadways. The CVSA also provides educational [resources](#) for drivers and mechanics on the importance of proper brake inspection, maintenance and operation.

At the conclusion of Brake Safety Week, inspectors will combine all the data they collected and submit the results to the CVSA. The CVSA will then report its findings later in the year.

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