# DSSP 404 – DRIVER GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETION OF PRE-TRIP INSPECTION

Driver is to ensure that the load securement meets the applicable requirements for transportation under 49 CFR 393.100 through 136, and RSA 266:63 through 72-a

## A: Lights:

- 1. Hauling vehicle must have operating top mounted flashing or strobe amber light in conformance with New Hampshire Administrative Rule Tra 304.15 (f).
- 2. Non-Police Escort vehicle must have operating top mounted flashing or strobe amber light in conformance with New Hampshire Administrative Rule Tra 304.17 (j).

## A1: Signs & Flags:

- 1. Hauling vehicle is appropriately marked and flagged in accordance with Tra 304.15.
- 2. Non-Police Escort vehicle is appropriately marked in accordance with Tra 304.17(j)

### **A2: Weather Conditions:**

1. Confirm that load will not be moved during periods of inclement weather in accordance with Tra 304.14(k).

#### **B:** Brakes:

1. All brake systems must conform and function as required by 49 CFR Subpart –C Brakes, parts 390.40 through 393.55 and New Hampshire (Brakes) RSA 266:27 through RSA 266:30

#### **B1: Brake Connections:**

1. All Brake Connections must be checked to ensure that all required brakes are functioning properly as required by 49 CFR 393.45 (d)

### **B2:** Breakaway Device:

1. Breakaway Device must function and conform to the requirements set forth in 49CFR 393.43

## C: Wheels:

1. Wheels and rims shall not be cracked or broken and stud or bolt holes on the wheels shall not be elongated (out of round) as required by 49 CFR 393.205 (a) and 393.205 (b)

# **C1: Wheel Fasteners:**

1. Nuts or bolts shall not be missing or loose as required by 49CFR 393.205 (c)

#### C2: Hubs:

1. Hubs shall be properly lubricated and free of leaks as required by 49 CFR 396.5

# **D:** Coupling Devices:

1. All devices and towing methods shall conform with 49 CFR Subpart F – Coupling Devices and Towing Methods, parts 393.70 and 393.71

# **D1: Coupling Latch Mechanism:**

1. Ensure that the coupling latch mechanism functions as required in 49 CFR 393.70 (c)

### **D2:** Coupling Safety Chains:

1. All required Coupling Safety are correctly attached and meet the requirements set forth in New Hampshire RSA 266:63 and if applicable 49 CFR 393.70 (d)

#### E:Tires:

- 1. Ensure that Tire and Axle Capacities match the capacities listed on the permit.
- 2. All tires meet all of the requirement set forth in 49 CFR 393.75 and New Hampshire RSA 266:48, RSA 266:49 and RSA 266:51

#### E1: Springs

1. All springs must be present and free of defects as required by 49 CFR 393.207

#### E2: Frame

1. All frames shall not be cracked, sagging, loose or broken and meet the requirements of 49 CFR 393.201.