

	<b>STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE</b> <small>State Form 39870 (R/S-06)</small>	Reference Number <b>CVE-004</b>
	Subject <b>Commercial Vehicle Enforcement – Utilization of Motor Carrier Inspectors</b>	
	Special Instructions Replaces CVE-005 dated September 2, 2008	Effective Date <b>March 1, 2015</b>

**I. PURPOSE**

Establish guidelines for implementation of [IC 10-11-2-26](#) authorizing the creation of the Motor Carrier Inspector (MCI) Enforcement Program within the Department.

**II. POLICY**

The Superintendent may assign qualified MCIs, who are not State Police Officers, to supervise or operate permanent or portable weigh stations.

**III. PROCEDURE**

A. MCIs shall be assigned enforcement/non-enforcement duties as authorized by the Superintendent.

B. Basic eligibility requirements for MCI are listed in [Civilian Rule 1, Section 1-6](#).

C. Motor Carrier Inspectors shall have the authority to:

1. Issue citations at permanent scale facilities or from enforcement vehicles in a portable mode for violations of laws, rules and regulations pertaining to vehicles as set forth by [IC 10-11-2-26](#). Other violations, detected in the performance of their duty and beyond their authorized authority, shall be referred to a police employee for appropriate action;

2. Testify as an employee of the Indiana State Police Department before any court; and

3. Perform other duties specified in the CVED Policy Manual.

D. Any newly hired MCI shall:

1. Successfully complete the MCI Academy which will include FMCSR training,

2. If the FMCSA tests are not passed a retest shall be offered in accordance with FMCSA National Training Centers (NTCs) guidelines, and

3. Complete at least 90 days field experience with an MCI FTO.

E. Department commissions shall be utilized by MCIs at the discretion of the CVED Commander and in accordance with [FSS-008 Maintenance of Department Commissions](#).

F. This procedure is to be used in conjunction with all relevant Department regulations, rules, policies and procedures.