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Member Briefing Webinar

Transport Professionals Talk

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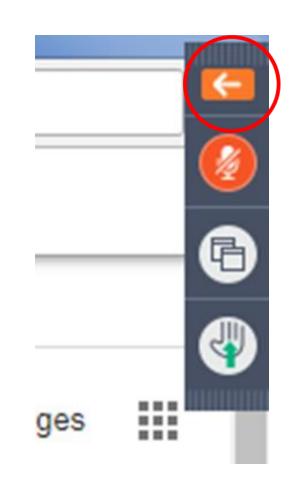
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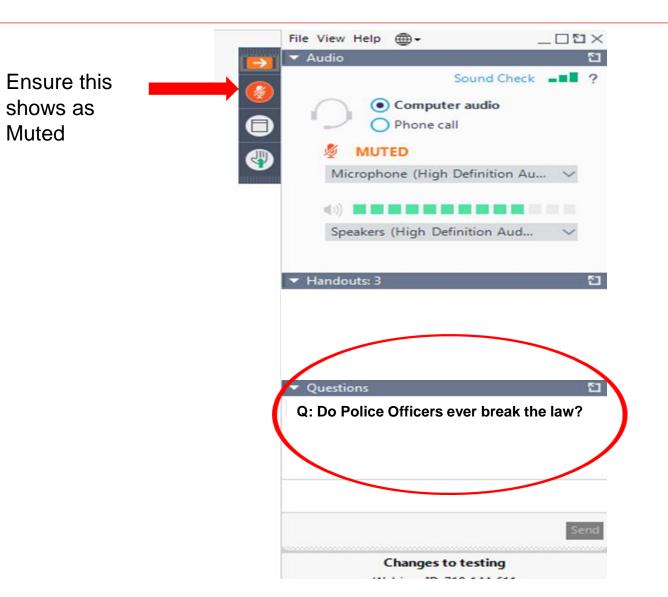
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Introduction – How to ask questions

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METROPOLITAN POLICE

Roads & Transport Policing Command Commercial Vehicle Unit

Toolbox Talk

In proud working partnership with



Who we are

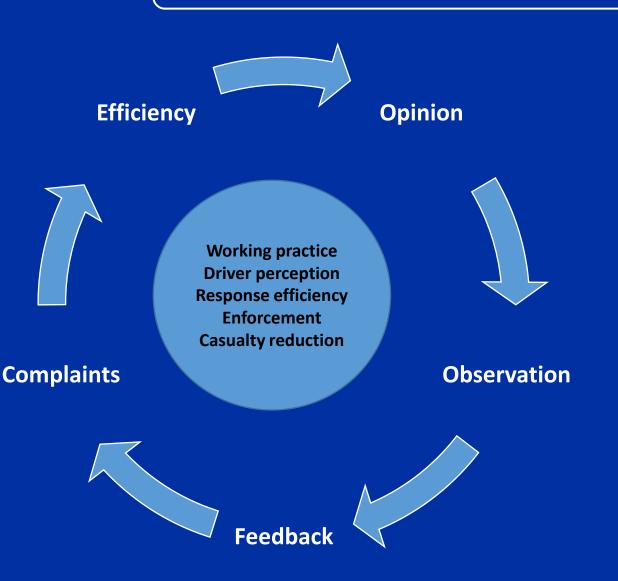
METROPOLITAN POLICE

Largest dedicated commercial vehicle unit in Europe

Only unit in UK providing 24/7/365 capability

6 Bases – 68 Officers

2019 Review of CVU delivery



- Spoke to drivers at compliance checks & collisions.
- Observed established CVU working practices.
- Examined industry media and forums.
- Reviewed CVU complaints.

Overwhelming Response from drivers & industry professionals.....

Entirely negative; drivers felt targeted, victimised, not acknowledged as professional and de-humanised.

My mission

"My team & I will work in partnership with the transport & haulage industry to make Britain's roads the safest for everyone using them."



Inspector Rik Wenham. Commercial Vehicle Unit.

Delivering safety through engagement

The Toolbox Talk



Roads & Transport Policing Command Commercial Vehicle Unit

TOOLBOX TALK

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- **Overview the Commercial Vehicle Unit & bust a few** myths
- What to expect at a roadside compliance stop check.
- Collision response, our response, drivers rights. No surprises.
- Vulnerable road users, who they are & why they are at there highest risk of death, or injury. What you can do to reduce conflict.
- "Fatal 4" driver offences, what they are & the consequences.
- Loads & load security. Including case studies.
- **Bridge Strikes.**
- Suicide on the roads awareness.
- Driver wellbeing & welfare. •
- Ongoing engagement and education.

The launch of the toolbox talk

Launched at the Road Transport Expo 2022

Initial vision was for delivery to London based drivers predominantly within the construction and waste industry

Bookings at RTX indicated that there was a significant national demand

Drivers and transport managers saw the potential to support the industry, reduce incidents and complaints

Drivers felt acknowledged as professionals !



The product

Delivered by uniformed CVU police FOUI **Customisable to** single store PROFESSIONALS **us drivers well-being Educates and empowers**

Myth busting

The performance of the CVU is **not** measured by enforcement activity.

Contrary to popular belief CVU officers do not have ticket, or arrest quotas.

CVU performance is measured by the reduction of death, or serious injury as a result of collisions with commercial vehicles.



Roadside compliance checks

- This section will gives a no surprises insight into a CVU road check.
- What is checked, and how it is recorded.

POLICE Commercial Vehicle Unit STOP CHECK

Recording road checks

Where the details of a stop are recorded.

How long a driver needs to retain the form.

Why the form needs to be retained by the driver.

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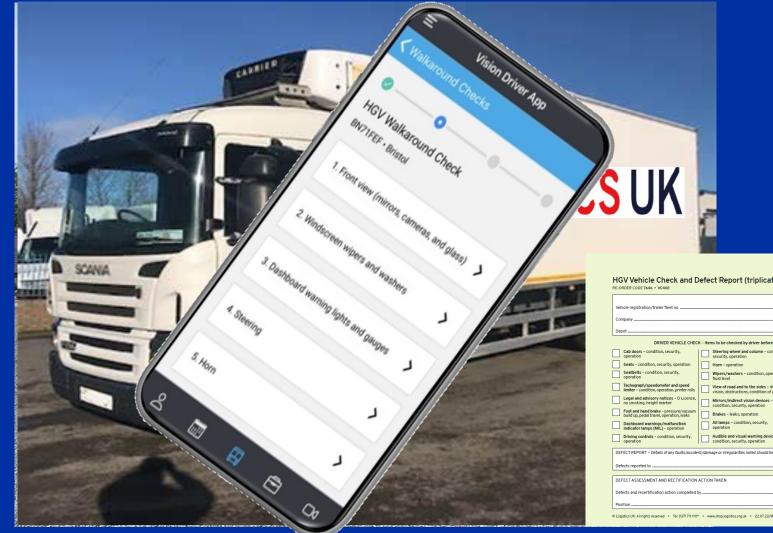
Glass & mirrors

Lights & lamps

Fluids & leaks

Load security

Bodywork



 HGV Vehicle Check and Defect Report (triplicate) - Alternative Fuels
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Fully customisable to your fleet & your walk around recording policy

No surprises in police response

What road-side procedures will be carried out

Drivers legal rights at the scene of a collision



Unless a driver fails alcohol, or drugs roadside testing drivers are not and cannot be arrested as "routine" just due to involvement in a collision, regardless how serious.









We will make every effort to protect your driver from this.....

Vulnerable road users

Assists drivers to understand the most vulnerable road users and why sometimes cyclist use main carriageways or change course.

By creating mutual road respect, death and serious injury and the trauma associated with it will continue to fall.



Vulnerable road users



Vulnerable road users – case study



1.4 seconds before pull away



Cyclist in high gear unable to pull away



Vulnerable road users – pedestrians



Most pedestrian incidents occur at or near a crossing

Vulnerable road users – Power 2 wheels





Drivers & the law

Empowers drivers with a reminder of road traffic laws they *should* know

New legislation that is relevant to all drivers



Drivers & the law – FATAL 4



Drivers & the law – Mobile phones



Drivers & the law – Mobile phones



52mph to 0

0.3 SECONDS





Drivers & the law – New law

"Causing serious injury by careless driving"

PRE 2022

Serious life changing injury.

Careless driving

Max. 9 points No disqualification



2022

Serious life changing injury.

Careless driving

Mandatory ban Up to 2 years prison Extended re-test

Load security & load safety



Steven Oscroft

HM Coroner – Prevention of future deaths notice







Load security & load safety



YOUR VEHICLE

YOUR LOAD

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

YOUR LIVELYHOOD

YOUR FREEDOM !

YOUR CONSCIENCE

Bridge strikes



Failure to adhere to road signs

Failure to measure load



Use of inappropriate Sat Nav with no programmable parameters

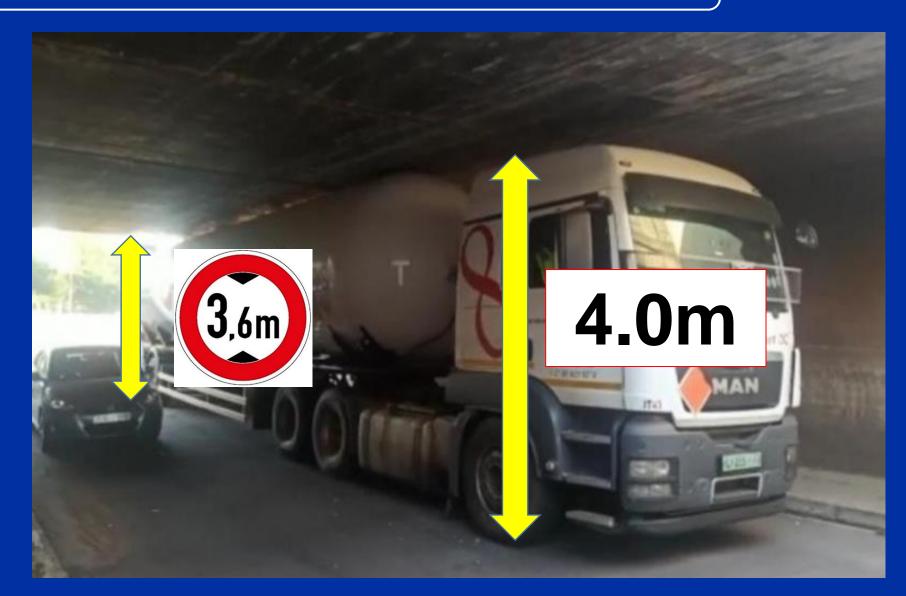
Bridge strikes – Christmas Eve 2022

Compressed LPG Driver off route

Failed to observe signage

Failed to follow emergency procedure

Could it happen here ???



Bridge strikes – Christmas Eve 2022



Bridge strikes – Christmas Eve 2022



41 DEAD (known)

Over 100 seriously injured

Many staff from hospital killed & injured

Bridge strikes



Just leave this here a minute !



Suicide by truck



You are about to see the events leading up to a man taking his life using a loaded 32t tipper. There are no images of injury, but the events are clear.





This section covers the suicide of a male.

It is hard hitting and demonstrates the unseen risks, and those impossible to plan for.

There are no images of death or injury, and the video is clipped.

Also highlights the importance of in cab CCTV in early identification of incidents.

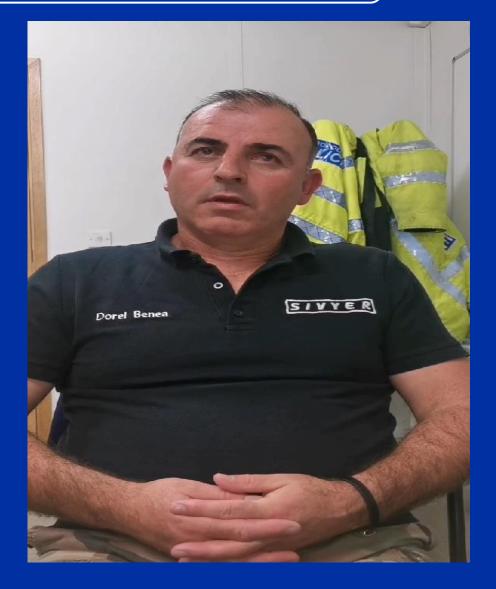


Part of an interview with the driver involved, when he was asked about his recollection of the incident.

The full interview is part of the toolbox talk.



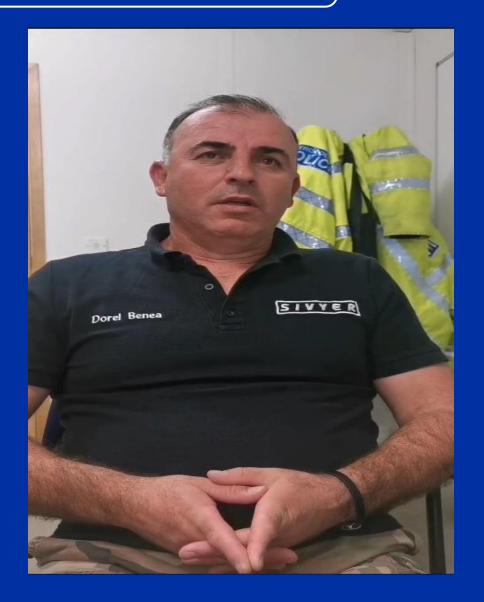
Part of an interview with the driver involved, when he was asked how he felt immediately.



Part of an interview with the driver involved, when he was asked what he thought when the police arrived.

"Will I be arrested ?"

Critical witness NOT a suspect.



Crisis on road network...or lost ?

If you see someone on the roads that you think needs assistance, they may look distressed, upset, frantic, they may not, just in that place, at that time and it doesn't feel right.

Call 999 and explain your concerns.

YOU WILL NEVER BE CRITISISED & MAY SAVE A LIFE

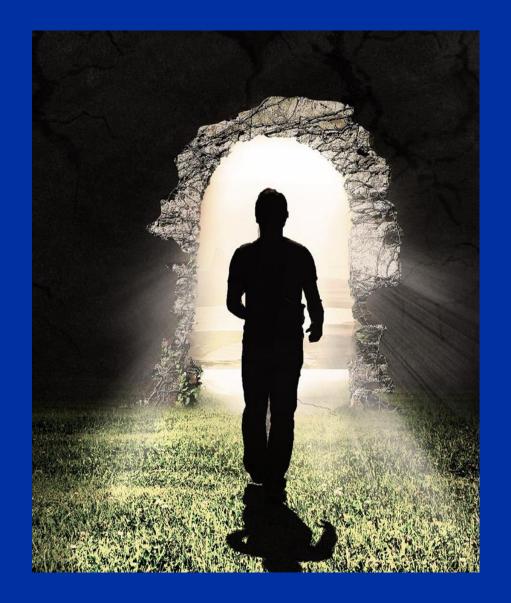


Driver wellness and well being

Acknowledging the cab of a lorry can be a solitary and lonely place.

Advice and signposting for support.

Reassurance around employee assistance programs.



Driver wellness and well being

There is no shame in admitting you need help !



Self medicating with drugs, or alcohol should be avoided as a way to deal with stress.

Even something as everyday as hitting, or seeing a run over animal may be *that* trigger point for you personally.





Mental Health First Aiders are trained members of staff that can provide support and advice. They CANNOT report you for seeking assistance and can only escalate if you threaten your own or others lives.

SHOUT 85258





24/7/365 – Completely FREE. Won't show on bill and can be deleted. Will never call, refer to other agencies (unless life at risk) All advice overseen by a clinical professional. 70,000,000 Text messages exchanged. 43% of users have never sought help from other sources. Perfect for the industry.

Is it a driver texting on a 45 minute mandatory break, or is it someone in crisis reaching out ?

Industry engagement



55,000+ drivers so far and rising

Supported by booklet that can act as reminder



Educating the next generation





Blind spot awareness and education

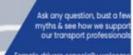
Community



COME FOR A BREW WITH THE CVU

Meet the officers from the **Commercial Vehicle Unit**

THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL, 2023 08:00AM - 18:00PM M25 THURROCK SERVICES **FREE JOIN**



Female drivers especially welcom ome & tell us your experiences & how ve can work to make the industry sal for everyor

> Look at, sit on take pictures of the equipment we use dail

> > Test your skills with the reaction teste

> > > moto

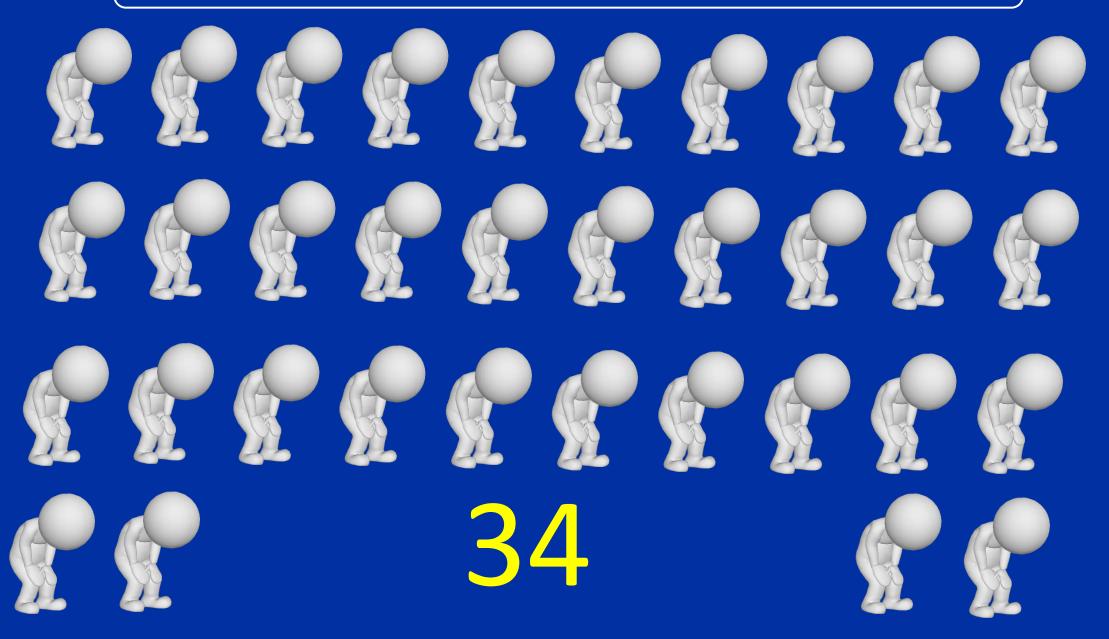




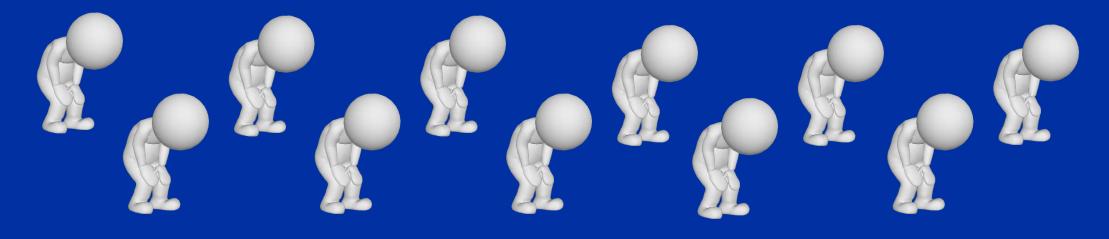




Does it have an effect? – 2019 Fatalities



Does it have an effect? – 2022 Fatalities





-64%

HOW MUCH ?



The Metropolitan Police CVU Toolbox Talk is FREE of charge.

We need a comfortable training room with AV facilities and no interruptions.

We can flex to meet timings to suit your business need.

Commercial-Vehicles@met.police.uk

Upcoming activities and events

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Forums and working groups

- Environment Working Group: 22nd Feb
- Engineering Forums: 22nd Feb 5th Mar
- Waste Forum: 5th Mar
- Utilities Service Working Group: 14th Mar https://logistics.org.uk/membership/logisticsuk-councils

Member briefing webinar

• Keeping your vehicles compliant: 20th Mar https://logistics.org.uk/memberbriefings24

Events

- Supply Chain Resilience Annual Business Conference: 20th Mar https://logistics.org.uk/executivemembership/events-and-networking/events/ourevents/supply-chain-resilience
 - Decarbonisation Solutions Forum: 18th Apr

https://logistics.org.uk/events/currently-live/decarbonisation-solutions-forum





Supply Chain Resilience



Logistics UK Support

- Member advice centre.
- E-News and Logistics magazine.
- Operator Licence Compliance Information Service (OLCIS).
- Training Driver CPC, Transport Manager, Vehicle inspection.
- Consultancy and Audits.
- Vehicle Inspections.
- Shop.
- Logistics UK Vision Drivers hours and working time monitoring.



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