



Driver & Vehicle
Standards
Agency

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DVSA Vision to 2030

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**Improve services
for our customers**

1 in 8

**new cars with
self-driving features in 2030**



**Make roads
safer**

1,558

**people killed on our roads
in 2021**



**Harness the potential of
technology and data**

88%

**of UK adults access the
internet on a smartphone**



**Make road transport
greener and healthier**

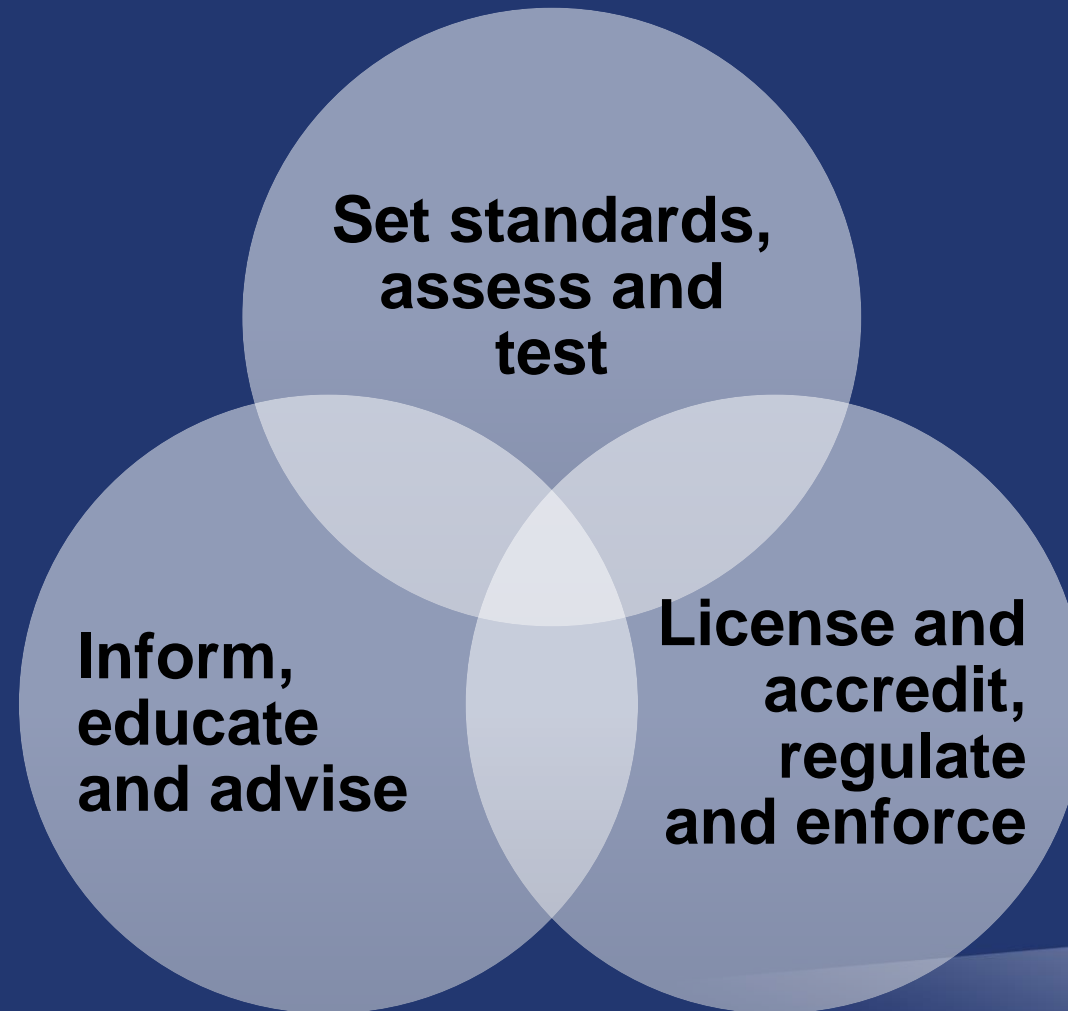
23%


**of UK greenhouse gas
emissions come from transport**



**Grow and level up
the economy**

What we must do



1. Helping you through a lifetime of safe and sustainable journeys
 2. Helping you keep your vehicle safe to drive
 3. Protecting you from unsafe drivers and vehicles
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Helping you keep your vehicle safe to drive

Set standards, assess and test

Vehicle approval promotes innovation in automation and net-zero emissions

The data from vehicles in tests is put to the best possible use

In-service vehicle safety and tests reflect the latest vehicle technology

License and accredit, regulate and enforce

Tester training and qualification caters for new vehicle technology

Enforcement against avoiding vehicle testing is effective

There is high public confidence in the services provided by partners

Inform, educate and advise

Our data is accessible and easy to use

Technical vehicle standards are clear and easy to work with

New best practice guides help keep all types of vehicles safe

Protecting you from unsafe vehicles and drivers

Set standards, assess and test

Clear standards for operators that reflect latest technology

Clear processes for reporting information on potential law breakers

Influence standards for vehicle and equipment approvals

License and accredit, regulate and enforce

Recognise and reward the best vehicle operators

Detect more non-compliance remotely through better data and flexibility

Use technology to identify and prevent emissions and drivers' hours cheats

Inform, educate and advise

Detect offences remotely and automatically – and advise what to do

We provide tailored and accessible guidance to help vehicle operators

Use data to identify and target interventions to improve compliance

DVSA Earned Recognition (ER)

DVSA earned recognition scheme is a way for operators to prove they meet driver and vehicle standards. They are required to continuously monitor their own compliance using monitoring systems and be compliant with vehicle and road safety standards.

Benefits:

- Able to prove they are exemplary operators when they bid for contracts
- Less likely to have their vehicles stopped at the roadside for inspections
- Less likely to have DVSA enforcement staff visit their premises
- Able to use the DVSA earned recognition logo on their website and other publicity materials
- Recognised as a DVSA-accredited operator on GOV.UK
- Have direct access to a dedicated earned recognition team in DVSA

Current size of ER

121 Operators (HGV&PSV) holding 390 Operator licences with a combined vehicle fleet size of 43,000 vehicles, or 10% of the national fleet. This includes 3 Local Authorities.

Earned Recognition: five years five modules

 **EARNED RECOGNITION**

**TfL Contractual
Module**



 **EARNED RECOGNITION**

**London Power
Tunnels (LPT2) Module**




 **EARNED RECOGNITION**

**Concrete
Operational Module**



In partnership with the British Aggregates Association

 **EARNED RECOGNITION**

**HS2
Module**



 **EARNED RECOGNITION**

**Guild of British Coach
Operators Module**



ROAD TO



**EARNED
RECOGNITION**

Keeping Britain moving safely and sustainably



Journey with us on the Road to Earned Recognition (R2ER)

- ✓ A new initiative to help new businesses develop and maintain high driver and vehicle standards
- ✓ Promote effective transport management
- ✓ Improve standards - Improve road safety – Improve employee wellbeing
- ✓ Reduce the risk of non-compliance and potential regulatory action from the Traffic Commissioners.
- ✓ Work with DVSA to improve road safety across Britain's roads and improve the outcomes for cities and towns

Operation Milkman

DVSA ran a targeted campaign against a serially non-compliant operator who ran 3.5t vehicles at 5-7t.



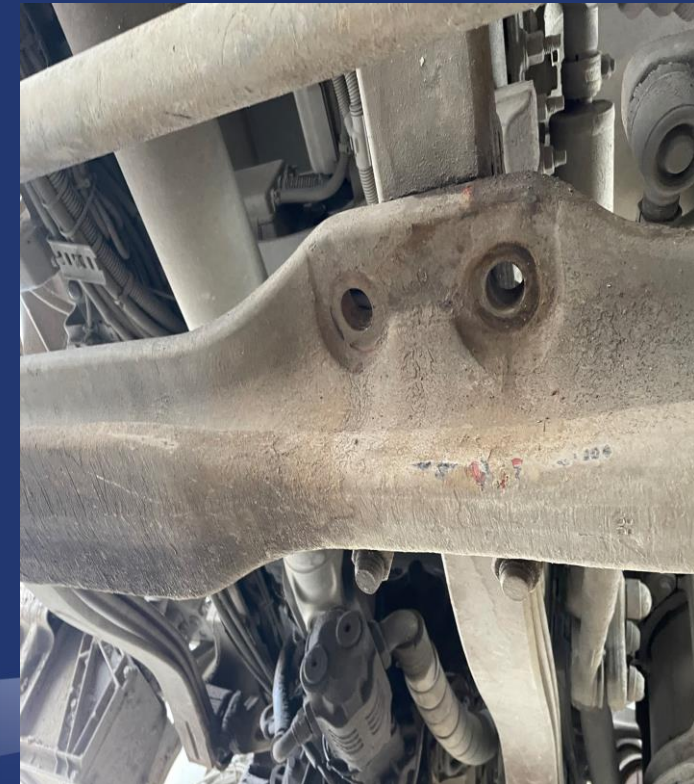
We will continue to target and disrupt this operator until they are compliant.

London Task Force



Volumetric mixer overloaded and insecure load.

This vehicle had a defective tyre, large bulge on side wall. The vehicle also had defective suspension and steering.



Roadside Enforcement

Our Examiners came across this incident whilst travelling between check sites. An inspection found the straps securing the load were in poor condition and the material was fraying. This led to the reel of metal cable falling off the truck as it entered the Services!



Roadside Enforcement

This vehicle was stopped entering the UK at Dover. The driver had blocked his visibility with a large map book and rather than change a tyre that needed replacing, he strapped the axle up and continued on his way!

Before -



After -



Roadside Enforcement

This is a vehicle encountered at the Dartford Crossing Check Site in Kent. As you can see from the photos, the whole vehicle is leaning to one side. When this was inspected, the cause was found to be a suspension airbag which had blown mid-journey. Due to the load being insecure, once the airbag blew it shifted the whole load.

The driver was planning on continuing his journey to the destination like this, despite the load only being held by the curtain of the trailer which was not load-bearing. In this situation, the load had to be removed, the airbag repaired and re-inflated, and then reloaded and secured before the vehicle could continue its journey.

