



Commercial Enforcement Program

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) will award first place honors in the National Law Enforcement Challenge to the California Highway Patrol, Commercial Enforcement Program (CEP). The award will be presented at the 119th Annual Conference and Exposition, to be held in San Diego later this year. This prestigious award recognizes departmental efforts to reduce collisions and alcohol related incidents, increase use of seat belts in commercial vehicles, and increase compliance with commercial vehicle speed laws. As a result of the tireless efforts of the men and women working in the departmental commercial enforcement program, fatal accidents involving trucks were reduced 40 percent, from 400 in 2006 to 236 in 2010.

The California Highway Patrol is charged with safety and oversight of approximately 7.4 million commercial vehicles, which travel approximately 30 million miles on 105,000 miles of roadway in California each year. This is accomplished by:

- ☀ Uniformed officers
- ☀ Non-uniformed employees
- ☀ 51 roadside inspection facilities
- ☀ Mobile Road Enforcement Vehicles
- ☀ Over 565,000 roadside inspections of commercial vehicles and drivers
- ☀ Inspection and certification of 23,500 school buses each year
- ☀ 23,000 evaluations of compliance with motor carrier maintenance practices each year

In addition, drivers' hours of service limits, driver licensing, and controlled substances and alcohol testing requirements are inspected each year. Through partnerships with industry advocates and commercial vehicle operators, the California Highway Patrol provides a high level of education and technical assistance to ensure the safety of the motoring public.