ManageVehicle

# Daily Heavy Vehicle Inspection Checklist

Based on the National Heavy Vehicle Inspection Manual (NHVIM V3.2, from 1 August 2026).
Complete before each shift. Tick OK or Defect for every item, and write any defects in the box at the bottom.

| DRIVER | DATE | REGO / FLEET NO. | ODOMETER | TRAILER REGO(S) |
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| Identification and documents | OK | DEFECT |
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| Number plates secure and readable | ☐ | ☐ |
| Registration and labels current | ☐ | ☐ |
| Work diary carried (if required) | ☐ | ☐ |

| Brakes and air system | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| Service brake works | ☐ | ☐ |
| Park brake holds | ☐ | ☐ |
| Air pressure builds, no audible leaks | ☐ | ☐ |
| Low-pressure warning works | ☐ | ☐ |
| Hoses and lines not cracked or chafed | ☐ | ☐ |
| Trailer breakaway works (combinations) | ☐ | ☐ |

| Couplings | OK | DEFECT |
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| Fifth wheel jaws locked, kingpin secure | ☐ | ☐ |
| Tow coupling, drawbar, safety chains OK | ☐ | ☐ |
| Air and electrical connections secure | ☐ | ☐ |

| Steering and suspension | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| No excess steering free play | ☐ | ☐ |
| No power steering leaks | ☐ | ☐ |
| Springs, U-bolts and air bags OK | ☐ | ☐ |

| Wheels, tyres and hubs | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| Tread at least 1.5 mm, no cuts or bulges | ☐ | ☐ |
| All wheel nuts present and tight | ☐ | ☐ |
| No hub oil leaks | ☐ | ☐ |
| Rims and wheels not cracked | ☐ | ☐ |

| Lights and reflectors | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| Head, tail, brake and indicator lights | ☐ | ☐ |
| Hazard lights work | ☐ | ☐ |
| Reflectors and markers clean, lenses intact | ☐ | ☐ |

| Cab, seats and visibility | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| Seatbelts latch and retract | ☐ | ☐ |
| Mirrors secure and not cracked | ☐ | ☐ |
| Windscreen clear, wipers and washers work | ☐ | ☐ |
| Horn works | ☐ | ☐ |

| Engine, body and load | OK | DEFECT |
|---|---|---|
| Oil, coolant and fuel levels OK | ☐ | ☐ |
| No major oil, fuel or coolant leaks | ☐ | ☐ |
| Exhaust secure, no leaks | ☐ | ☐ |
| Mudguards, rear marker plates, body secure | ☐ | ☐ |
| Load restrained | ☐ | ☐ |

## Defects found and action taken

Vehicle safe to drive? ☐ Yes ☐ No: report to supervisor, do not drive

| DRIVER SIGNATURE | SUPERVISOR SIGN-OFF | TIME CHECK COMPLETED |
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**Skip the paperwork: do this checklist digitally in Manage Vehicle.**

Drivers log inspections, odometer readings and faults on the spot. Scan to book a demo.


Your daily check counts as work time. Record it as work in your work diary.

This checklist is a guide only. Inspectors assess vehicles against the NHVIM failure criteria. managevehicle.com