DOT inspection readiness

A general checklist. Your state CDL manual, your company policy and your manufacturer's manual come first.

Date: _____ Truck: _____ Odometer: _____

Documents

- ☐ Driver license, valid for the vehicle — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Medical certificate if your license type requires one — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Registration for the truck and trailer — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Proof of insurance — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Periodic inspection proof for each unit — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Hours of service records, or ELD and its in-cab materials — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Shipping papers and the rate confirmation — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Permits for the load, if any — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]

Driver items

- ☐ Seat belt worn — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ No open alcohol, no prohibited items in the cab — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Logs current up to the last change of duty status — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Last DVIR in the truck — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]

Vehicle systems

- ☐ Brakes: adjustment, air leaks, warning devices — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Tires: tread, inflation, no exposed cords — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Lights and reflectors all work — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Steering: no excess play — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Suspension: no broken springs or loose parts — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Coupling devices locked and secure — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Cargo secured — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Exhaust: no leaks into the cab — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Fuel system: no leaks, caps on — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Windshield and wipers — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]
- ☐ Emergency equipment on board — Defect [ ] N/A [ ]

Defects and notes: _____

Signature: _____