

National HGV road safety project 'Operation Tramline'

Three plain white HGV tractor units have been loaned out to police forces by National Highways to help improve safety for drivers on the strategic road network in England. The contract for the unmarked HGV cab national project aims to change driver behaviour and discourage non-compliance.

The elevated position of the HGV cabs allows police forces to drive alongside vehicles to film any unsafe driver behaviour taking place. Since the initiative began Operation Tramline has stopped 25,343 vehicles resulting in 27,810 offences with 28,172 interventions being dispensed.

Top three offences detected through Operation Tramline are:

1. Seat belt offences
2. Mobile phone use
3. Driver not in proper control

Operation Tramline is supporting National Highways' road safety Key Performance Indicator target of a decrease of at least 50% in the number of people killed or seriously injured on the strategic road network by 2025.



Due to Operation Tramline running the previous week, word has spread amongst the roads community. This is also positive because very few no seatbelt offences were detected and a clear message is being sent to the community regarding road safety.

Wiltshire police

The three HGV cabs operate in the following areas with participating police forces

North	Midlands	South
Lancashire, Cumbria, Cleveland & Durham, Cheshire, Merseyside, West Yorkshire, North Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, Humberside, Northumbria, Greater Manchester	Gwent, Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, West Mercia, CMPG, Northants, Warwickshire, Staffordshire, Lincolnshire	Beds, Herts, Cambs, South Wales, Gloucs, Suffolk & Norfolk, Wiltshire, Surrey & Sussex, Devon & Cornwall, Essex, Kent, The Met, Avon & Somerset, Thames Valley



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