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## **NEW INSPECTIONS OF VEHICLES WHICH CARRY DANGEROUS GOODS**

Staff at the Motor Vehicle Test Centre, have successfully completed a specialist training course qualifying them to carry out inspections of all commercial vehicles which are designed or adapted to carry dangerous goods. These vehicles may carry substances such as petrol, diesels or substances used in the manufacture of explosives.

Under the 'Accord European relative au transport international des marchandises Dangereuses par Route' (known as 'ADR'), vehicles which carry dangerous or hazardous materials must be inspected annually to ensure that they conform to United Nations Economic Commission for Europe regulations. Among other things, these regulations ensure that vehicles have been painted with anti-flame paint, that their upholstery is non-flammable, that electrical wiring is protected from any leaking fluids, etc.

The course was run at Bleak House by John Hazell, an instructor from the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency in UK.