



Consts. John Jameson (left) and Bill Watts of the Port Credit OPP's Highway Safety Division inspect the brake system of a dump truck belonging to a Toronto contracting firm Tuesday morning in Georgetown as part of a multi-jurisdictional truck enforcement blitz. Photo by Eamonn Maher

# Town, police, OPP host truck enforcement blitz

The Mold-Masters SportsPlex parking lot on Guelph St. in Georgetown was transformed into a truck jail Tuesday and some of those vehicles won't be back on the road for a while.

A multi-jurisdictional police initiative called Project Northern Highway set up a truck enforcement blitz along the Hwy. 7 corridor in Halton Hills, bringing in dozens of drivers for inspection of their vehicles as part of Crime Prevention Week.

OPP Sgt. Kerry Schmidt said by late morning, several vehicles were towed away for repairs and one had its licence plates removed.

The blitz involved members of the Halton Regional Police, the OPP, Peel Regional Po-

lice and the Town of Halton Hills.

Halton Regional Police reported Wednesday that of the 46 inspections conducted, vehicles were taken out of service during the seven-hour blitz.

A total of 112 Highway Traffic Act charges were laid including the licence plates seizure.

The top defects found were:

1. Daily inspections (22).
2. Vehicle maintenance (20).
3. Cargo securement (15).
4. Overweight violations (10).
5. Brakes/improper brakes (8).

The OPP also deployed a Cessna airplane to seek out suspect vehicles.

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