



CSS 10 - Searching Vehicles (Closed Establishments)

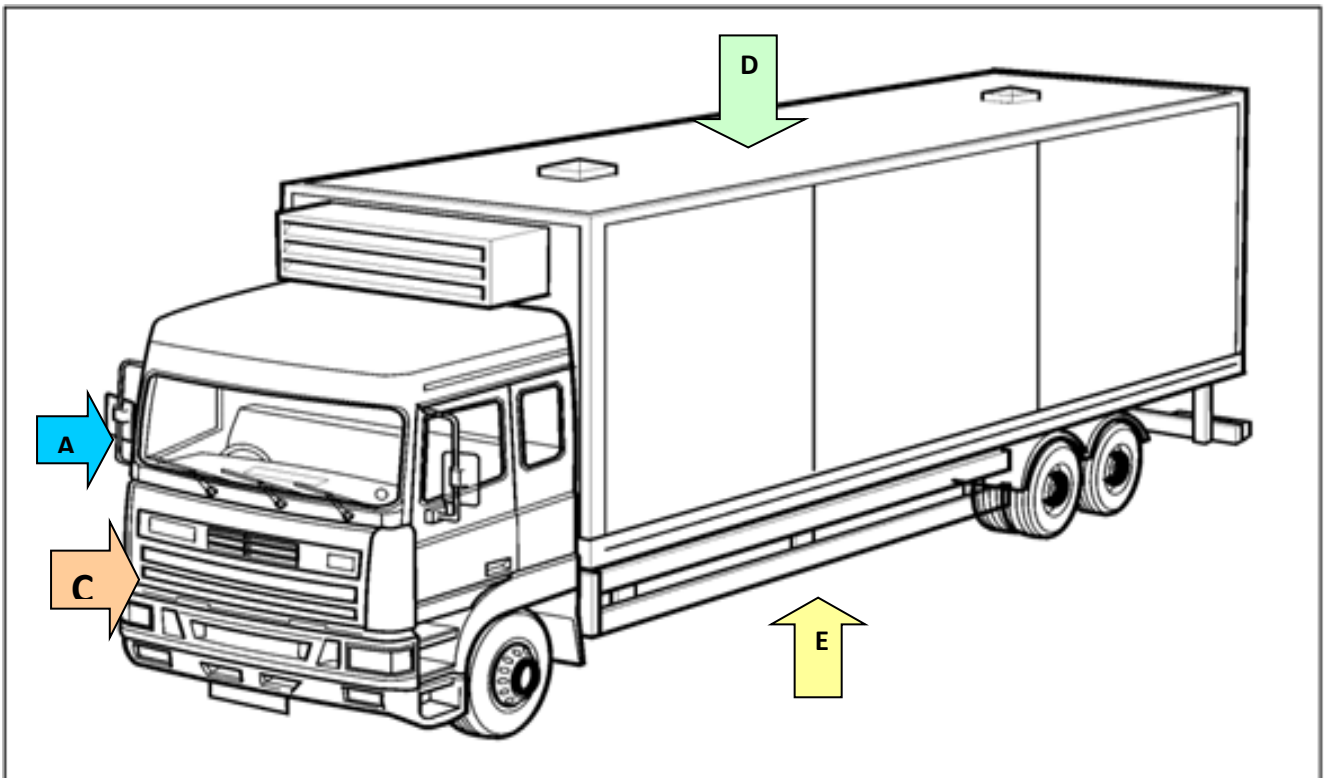
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STANDARD: SEARCHING VEHICLES – (CLOSED ESTABLISHMENTS)

APPLICABILITY:

- All Affected Properties and Staff

- 1) The following procedures must be applied before FM Provider escorting staff seek permission to move any vehicle to and from the gate
 - Ensure HMP gate staff search the incoming vehicle, driver and passenger(s) in accordance with The establishment local searching strategy.
 - FM Provider escorting staff obtain authorisation from the Prison Control room prior to any
 - Vehicle movement taking place within the establishment.
 - FM Provider escorting staff are to confirm the identity of driver and passenger(s) before any vehicle movement takes place back to the gate (i.e. photo ID passport, driving licence)
 - Before any vehicle movement back to the gate takes place the FM Provider escorting staff should systematically search the inside driver and passenger area of the vehicle, the boot cargo area, outside engine/engine compartments, outside, underneath and the top of the vehicle (see diagram below). FM staff should also check the wheel arches and spare wheel well.
 - On return to the gate, ensure HMP gate staff search the outgoing vehicle, driver(s) and passenger(s) in accordance with the establishment local searching strategy
- 2) The following equipment may be used for searching vehicles:
 - Stepladders
 - Mirrors (telescopic)
 - Torches
- 3) The diagram below outlines the five key areas to be searched:



- A – Check the doors and inside the driver / passenger area of the vehicle
- B – Check inside the loading area / boot of the vehicle
- C – Check the engine compartment (in accordance with Local Security Strategy)
- D – Check the roof (using steps, handheld / telescopic mirrors)
- E – Check underneath the vehicle (using handheld / telescopic mirrors)