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# Phone Numbers, Websites, and Social Media 

## Permits/Vehicle Size and Weight

DOT Building, Capitol Grounds, Bismarck, ND....................................................................701-328-2621
Mailing address: NDHP Permit Section, 600 E. Boulevard Dept. 504, Bismarck, ND 58505-0240
Office Hours: 7:10 a.m. - 4:50 p.m. (CST), Monday - Friday
Permits are available for purchase online at uww.nd.gov/ndhp/motor-carrier/e-permits.
Follow NDHP Permits on Tvitter: @NDPermits

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Facebook. ............................................................................................@northdakotahighwaypatrol
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Regional Offices
Motor Carrier Operations.........................................................................................................701-328-5128
Highway Patrol Headquarters
Capitol Grounds-Judicial Wing, Bismarck, ND .....................................................................701-328-2447
ND Department of Transportation (Capitol Grounds, Bismarck, ND)
Motor Carrier Services Section ...............................................................................................701-328-1287
Website.......................................................................http://www.dot.nd.gov/business/motor-carrier.htm

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International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) ..... 701-328-1287
International Registration Plan (IRP) ..... 701-328-1287
Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) ..... 701-328-1287
Website www.ucr.gov/
Motor Vehicle Division (vehicle license) ..... 701-328-2725
Driver License Division (operator's license) ..... 701-328-2601
Website uww.dot.nd.gov
Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. (CST), Monday - Friday
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (Bismarck Office) ..... 701-250-4346
Emergency Assistance \& Report Every Drunk Driver Immediately (REDDI) ..... 911
Road and Traveler Information
Winter Road Information ..... 511
Areas not supported by 511 program ..... 1-866-696-3511
Road Conditions/Construction/Load Restrictions .www.dot.nd.gov/travel/travel.htmDounload the ND Roads App from Google Play or the App store, search: NDRoads
CMN Hazardous Weather Travel: 49 CFR 392.14 states; "Extreme caution in the operation of a commercial motor ve-hicle shall be exercised when hazardous conditions, such as those caused by snow, ice, sleet, fog, mist, rain, dust, orsmoke, adversely affect visibility or traction. Speed shall be reduced when such conditions exist. If conditions becomesufficiently dangerous, the operation of the commercial motor vehicle shall be discontinued and shall not be resumeduntil the commercial motor vehicle can be safely operated."

## North Dakota Highway Patrol

VISION: Public safety through quality service.
MISSION: The mission of the North Dakota Highway Patrol is to make a difference every day by providing high quality law enforcement services to keep North Dakota safe and secure.

## Values:

Loyalty-We will show allegiance to ourselves, our department, the state of North Dakota, our community, and to those who came before us and sacrificed so much to ensure the safety of our citizens.
Integrity - We are honest, responsible, and ethical. Citizens place the highest trust in the NDHP. Each member must recognize that they are held to a higher standard of accountability than the public. We must always be mindful to NEVER violate the public trust. Our conduct, both on and off duty, must be beyond reproach.
Commitment-To fulfill the vision of the NDHP each employee must deliberately carry out their duties and responsibilities to the best of their abilities.
Respect - Because we are a diverse culture we value each other and all members of our community regardless of age, race, gender, appearance, individual beliefs or lifestyles. We vill always show understanding, respect, and appreciation for our similarities and differences.
Professionalism-To be considered professional we must conform to the technical and ethical standards of our profession. Because we are highly trained and dedicated we are capable of handling the daily demands of law enforcement and devoting our full energy and talents to the department's vision.
Accountability-Employees at all levels and ranks must accept responsibility for their actions both in their personal life and in their professional life.

## I - COMMERCIAL V曰HCLE OPERATIONS

## A. Driver's LICENSE

All drivers of commercial vehicles in North Dakota must possess a valid operator's license for the type of vehicle they are operating.

Class A Any vehicle combination with a gross combination weight rating (GCWR) in excess of 26,000
pounds towing a trailer with a GWMR in excess of 10,000 pounds

Class B Single unit in excess of 26,000 pounds GMVR may tow a trailer of not more than 10,000 pounds
GMWR

Class C Any vehicle not listed in Class A or B but requiring one or more commercial endorsements
Class D Non-commercial vehicles other than motorcycles
Class M Motorcycles

## Commercial Endorsements

H Authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle transporting hazardous materials
T Authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle pulling double or triple trailers
P Authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle designed to transport more than 16 passengers including the driver

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$\mathbf{N}$ Authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle that is designed to transport any liquid or gaseous material within a tank or tanks having an individual rated capacity of more than 119 gallons, and an aggregate rated capacity of 1,000 gallons or more, that is either permanently or temporarily attached to the vehicle or chassis. A CMN transporting an empty storage container tank not designed for transportation (rated capacity of 1,000 or more) that is temporarily attached to a flatbed trailer or a CMN transporting portable tanks with only residue are not considered a tank vehicle.
$S$ Authorizes the driver to operate a school bus
X Authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle requiring a hazardous materials endorsement and/or a tanker endorsement.

## Farm Exemption

The holder of a Class D license may operate any vehicle in a farm-to-market operation within 150 miles of the farm. If the vehicle is a ND Covered Farm Vehicle, it may be operated anywhere in North Dakota without a mileage limitation. However, this exemption does not apply to double or triple trailer combinations. Operators under 18 years of age may not operate a truck tractor. Operators 14 and 15 years of age may not operate vehicles with a gross weight greater than 50,000 pounds. A Covered Farm Vehicle is a vehicle identified by the State of Registration as a farm vehicle, operated by the owner or employee of a farm or ranch, used to transport commodities or supplies to or from the farm, and not used in for-hire motor carrier operations. Form available at www.dot.nd.gov/ forms/sfn60860.pdf

## B. Medical Qualfications

Commercial drivers may operate intrastate in North Dakota without meeting all of the requirements of 49CFR 391.41 b 1-11 provided:

1. The driver is othemvise qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle and possessed either a Class A or Class 1 license on March 26, 1991.
2. The driver has a medical condition that:
a. Would prevent operation of a commercial vehicle under 49CFR, Chapter III, Subchapter B,
b. Existed on March 26, 1991, or at the time of the first physical examination after that date,
c. An examining physician has determined the medical condition has not substantially worsened since March 26, 1991, or the time of the first medical examination after that date.

## C. Hours of Service

## Interstate/Intrastate Drivers

All interstate commercial motor vehicle (CMM) drivers must comply with the federal hours of service regulations. Intrastate CMN drivers, to include farm operations, (reference Covered Farm Vehicle Driver Exemption), must comply with the federal or state hours of senvice regulations. General information concerning hours of service is provided in the following pages. For information specific to your operation, refer to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR).

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## Electronic Logging Devices (ElDs)

1. CMN drivers must maintain a record of duty status with an Đectronic Logging Device (ELD) unless the driver qualifies for an exemption. For information on ELDs, visit: https://eld.fmcsa.dot.gov/
2. The ELD must be on FMCSA's list of approved devices which can be found at https://eld.fmcsa.dot.gov/List
3. The driver must possess the following items on board the CMN (may be maintained electronically):
a. Auser's manual for the ELD
b. An instruction sheet that describes data transfer mechanisms
c. An instruction sheet describing ELD malfunction reporting requirements
d. A supply of blank paper logs for a minimum of 8 days
4. The device must transfer the data file, at the time of inspection, to an authorized safety official.
5. An ELD is not required if the driver is not required to complete a record of duty status due to an exemption in the hours of senvice regulations (i.e. Short Haul driver)
6. A driver is not required to use an ELD if one of the following ELD exemptions is met:
a. The vehicle being operated was manufactured before model year 2000, as reflected by the vehicle's VIN number shown on registration card
b. Driver is not required to complete a record of duty status more than 8 days in a 30-day period
c. Driver is operating a vehicle in driveway-towaway operation in which the vehicle being driven is being delivered as part of the shipment
d. Driver is operating a vehicle in a driveway-towaway operation and the vehicle is a motor home or recreational vehicle trailer

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## Log Books

1. If a CMN driver is exempt from the Đectronic Logging Device regulation, they must maintain a record of duty status or log book, The record of duty status may be maintained in either a paper or electronic format, as outlined in the FMCSR. When two drivers operate the same vehicle, EACH driver must maintain their own record of duty status.
2. Log pages are prepared in duplicate with the original maintained at the motor carrier home office and the duplicate retained by the driver. Drivers must have in their possession a log for the day they are operating the vehicle and the previous seven days. The log must be current to the last change in duty status.
3. A separate log page is required for each and every day. However, two or more consecutive 24-hour off duty periods may be logged on one sheet. For example, a driver who is on vacation the first two weeks of July may fill out the top portion of the log and then line through the 24 hours off duty on line one and note in the remarks "vacation $7 / 1$ through $7 / 14$." The same can be done for a driver with weekends off - fill out the top portion, line through the off-duty line, and note the date "7/1-7/2."
4. Records of duty status are broken into three separate sections. The top portion contains log information, the middle section is the duty section with an hour's graph, and the bottom section is for remarks. Some log pages may have these sections in a different order, but it should be noted that all three sections are required and must be completed regardless of location on the log.

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a. The top section is fairly self-explanatory providing both the company and driver information. Company name should be the legal carrier name and not an abbreviated name. The city and state will suffice for the main office address. Enter a home terminal address if the driver works out of a terminal that is different from the main office address. Enter the date, vehicle numbers for both the truck and, if in combination, the trailer, and the total miles driven for that date. Your signature certifies the log page to be true and accurate.

b. The middle portion of the log contains the graph/grid. It covers a 24 -hour period and may run from midnight to midnight, noon to noon, or any other 24 -hour period as determined by the motor carrier. The middle portion has four parts:

Line 1 is for Off Duty: Log the time the driver is off duty and has no responsibility to the carrier, the equipment, the cargo, or to other work activity. Some common errors occur when time is logged in a sleeper berth as off duty or time working at another job as off duty. ANY time spent in the sleeper berth should be logged on line 2 and ANY work for compensation should be logged on line 4.

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Note: Time spent resting in a parked CMN may be counted as off-duty time. Also, a passenger in a moving CMN may count up to, but not exceeding, two hours time riding in the passenger seat of the CMN immediately before or after an 8-hour sleeper berth period as offduty time.

Line $\mathbf{2}$ is for Sleeper Berth: Log any time spent in the sleeper berth (sleeping, reading, watching TV) on line 2.

Line 3 is for Driving: Log all time spent at the driving controls of a commercial motor vehicle on line 3.

Line 4 is for On Duty, Not Driving: Log any time spent on duty and not driving on line 4. This should include time spent in the passenger seat of the CMN, fueling, unloading, loading, tarping, clearing customs, working at another compensated job, etc.
c. The bottom portion is the remarks section. In the remarks section, if not noted elsewhere, note the shipment information (manifest number or shipper and commodity); and the location (city and state) where changes of duty status occur. Note other information, such as delays, impacting the trip.

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## Hours of Service Rules

1. Hours of Service rules are the same regardless if the driver is using an ELD, AOBRD, paper log, or electronic log.
2. Driving time in the U.S. is limited by the FMCSRs. When driving in Canada, driving time is limited by Canadian regulations. Drivers must always comply with the rules in the country they are driving. Below are the basic rules for property carrying vehicles. Drivers carrying passengers should consult the FMCSRs for information on hours of service.
a. The 11-hour rule. No driver may drive more than 11 hours after having 10 hours of rest. Only time on line 3 counts toward the 11-hour rule.
3. A driver may not drive a CMN if 8 hours have passed since the last off duty or sleeper berth period of 30 minutes or more. This is referred to as the half-hour break requirement.
b. The $\mathbf{1 4}$-hour rule. No driver may drive (you may still be on duty but not driving) after 14 hours of starting a work shift after having 10 hours of rest. All time on all four lines counts toward the 14 -hour rule, except any sleeper berth period of at least 8 consecutive hours but less than 10 consecutive hours.
c. The $\mathbf{6 0}$-hour rule. This rule is for companies not operating every day of the week. No driver may drive more than 60 hours in any 7 consecutive days. The driver may restart the 7 days by having 34 consecutive hours off-duty. Time on lines 3 and 4 count toward the 60-hour rule.
d. The $\mathbf{7 0}$-hour rule. This rule is for companies that operate vehicles every day of the week. No driver may drive more than 70 hours in any 8 consecutive days. The driver may restart the 8 days by having 34 consecutive hours off duty. All time on lines 3 and 4 count toward the 70-hour rule.

There are 4 methods for obtaining the required 10 hour break between shifts:
Option 1 - At least 10 consecutive and uninterrupted hours off duty.


Option 2 - At least 10 consecutive and uninterrupted hours in the sleeper berth.


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Option 3 - At least 10 consecutive hours sleeper berth and off-duty time combined and uninterrupted.


Option 4-Sleeper Berth Provision. The equivalent of at least 10 consecutive hours off-duty can be obtained by spending at least 8 hours, but less than 10 consecutive uninterrupted hours, in the sleeper berth and an additional period of at least 2 hours, but less than 10 hours, in either sleeper berth or off-duty.


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Calculation of the 11-hour and 14-hour rule using the sleeper berth provision.
Calculation of the 11-hour driving limit includes all driving time; compliance must be re-calculated from the end of the first of the two periods used to comply with the sleeper berth provision.

Calculation of the 14-hour limit includes all time, except any sleeper berth period of at least 8 but less than 10 consecutive hours; compliance must be re-calculated from the end of the first of the two periods used to comply with the requirements of the sleeper berth provision.

## Hours of Sevice Exemptions

Adverse Driving: The FMCSR permits a driver to drive up to two additional hours to complete a trip OR to reach a place of safety if adverse driving conditions are encountered. The rule applies ONLY WHEN the driver or dispatcher was not aware of the adverse weather conditions prior to the dispatch. It does not extend the 14-hour rule.

## Oilfield Operations:

1. Drivers of commercial motor vehicles used exclusively in the transportation of oilfield equipment and servicing of the field operations of the natural gas and oil industry, may restart any period of 7 or 8 consecutive days with a 24-hour restart (instead of a 34-hour restart). This exception is fairly broad, many CMN drivers in the oilfield industry are eligible for this exemption.
2. Specially trained drivers of CM s that are specially constructed to service oil wells, on-duty time shall not include waiting time at a natural gas or oil well site. However, all such time must be fully and accurately accounted for by the motor carrier, either by using a " 5 -line" log, or by accounting for on-site time in the remarks section of

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the record of duty status. This equipment generally consists of heavy machinery mounted on commercial motor vehicles, designed to fill a specific need.

Water haulers working in the oilfield are only permitted to take the first exception (24-hour restart), if they qualify for the exception.

Short Haul CDL Driver: Drivers are exempt from maintaining a record of duty status if they operate vithin 100 air miles of their normal work reporting location. In order to claim this exemption, the driver must return to the work reporting location; be released vithin 12 consecutive hours; have at least 10 consecutive hours off duty; does not exceed 11 hours driving time following the 10 hours off-duty; and the motor carrier maintains true and accurate time records for 6 months reflecting the time the driver reports for duty, is released from duty, and the total hours on-duty each day. A driver using this exemption is still required to follow the 60/70-hour rule.

Short Haul Non-CDL Driver: Drivers operating commercial vehicles that do not require a commercial driver's license are exempt from maintaining a record of duty status if they operate vithin 150 air mile radius of the normal work reporting location.

In order to claim this exemption, the driver must return to the normal work reporting location at the end of each duty tour; the driver must have at least 10 consecutive hours off-duty separating each on-duty period; the driver does not drive more than 11 hours following 10 hours off; the driver cannot drive after the $14^{\text {th }}$ hour after coming on duty on 5 days of any period of 7 days and after the $16^{\text {th }}$ hour after coming on duty on 2 days of any period of 7 consecutive days. The motor carrier must maintain true and accurate time records for 6 months which show the time the driver reports for duty, is released from duty, and total hours on duty each day. A driver using this exemption is still required to follow the 60/70-hour rule.
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Agricultural Operations: Federal regulations governing maximum driving and on-duty time do not apply to a driver transporting agricultural commodities or farm supplies, including farm equipment and machinery, for agricultural purposes in this state during planting and harvesting seasons from January 1 through December 31, within a 150 airmile radius from the source of the commodities or the distribution point for the supplies. A driver must complete a record of duty status when traveling outside the 150 air-mile radius from the source. The record of duty status will be required to be an ELD, unless the driver qualifies for an ELD exemption.

Covered Farm Vehicle Drivers: Drivers operating vehicles meeting the definition of a Covered Farm Vehicle are exempt from Hours of Service Regulations when operating intrastate or within 150 air miles of the farm in interstate commerce.

## Intrastate Hours of Service (N.D.C.C. 39-32)

Definition of intrastate driver: A driver who has operated for 7 days in intrastate commerce is eligible to be an intrastate driver. Once eligible, there is no need to operate for an additional 7 days to be considered an intrastate driver.

Intrastate drivers of vehicles who drive a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight, gross vehicle weight rating, gross combination weight, and gross combination weight rating over 26,000 pounds or use a vehicle to transport hazardous materials requiring a placard or drive a vehicle designed or used to transport sixteen or more people, including the driver in North Dakota may not drive:

1. More than 12 hours following 10 consecutive hours off duty,
2. For any period after having been on duty for 16 hours,
3. After having been on duty for 70 hours in 7 consecutive days.

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An intrastate driver using the intrastate exemption does not need to maintain a record of duty status if:

1. The driver operates within a 150 air-mile radius from the driver's normal work reporting location or a 150 airmile radius from the official worksite of the vehicle.
2. The driver, except for a driver salesperson, returns to the work reporting location and is released from work within 12 consecutive hours.
3. At least 10 consecutive hours off duty separate each 12 hours on duty.
4. The motor carrier maintains and retains for a period of six months accurate time records showing the time the driver reports for duty and is released from duty each day.

Note: A Driver using the Intrastate Hours of Senvice rules is not eligible for the 34 hour restart provision in the 60/70 hour rule.

## D. Cargo Securement

North Dakota follows the cargo securement guidelines as outlined in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR) 49 CFR 393.100-393.136.

Cargo securement systems and tiedowns must meet the minimum performance criteria outlined in the FMCSR. Generally, when tiedowns are used as part of a cargo securement system, the minimum number of tiedowns required securing an article or group of articles against movement depends on the length and weight of the article(s) being secured.

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When an article is not blocked or positioned to prevent movement in the forward direction by a header board, bulkhead, other cargo, or other appropriate blocking devices, it must be secured by at least:

- One tiedown for articles 5 feet ( 1.52 meters) or less in length and 1,100 pounds ( 500 kg ) or less in weight.
- Two tiedowns if the article is 5 feet ( 1.52 meters) or less in length and more than 1,100 pounds ( 500 kg ) in weight, or longer than 5 feet ( 1.52 meters) but less than or equal to 10 feet ( 3.04 meters) in length, irrespective of the weight.
- Two tiedowns if the article is longer than 10 feet ( 3.04 meters), and one additional tiedown for every 10 feet ( 3.04 meters) of article length, or fraction thereof, beyond the first 10 feet ( 3.04 meters) of length.
- If an individual article is blocked, braced, or immobilized to prevent movement in the forward direction by a header board, bulkhead, or other articles which are adequately secured or by an appropriate blocking or immobilization method, it must be secured by at least one tiedown for every 10 feet ( 3.04 meters) of article length, or fraction thereof.

If operating a special purpose vehicle, special rules apply. A special purpose vehicle includes any vehicle transporting one or more articles of cargo such as, but not limited to, machinery or fabricated structural items (e.g., steel or concrete beams, crane booms, girders, and trusses, etc.) which, because of design, size, shape, or weight, must be fastened by special methods. In that case, any article of cargo carried on that vehicle must be securely and adequately fastened to the vehicle. However, specific tiedown requirements exist in the FMCSR for some specialty items including logs, dressed lumber, metal coils, paper rolls, concrete pipe, intermodal containers, heavy vehicles, crushed vehicles, automobiles, roll on-roll off containers, and boulders.

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The aggregate working load limit of tiedowns used to secure an article or group of articles against movement must be at least one-half times the weight of articles or group of articles.

## e Out-of-Service criteria

North Dakota Highway Patrol officers and motor carrier personnel are trained to perform inspections of commercial motor vehicles and to check driver credentials. While stopped at a weigh/inspection station or along the road, your vehicle may receive a safety inspection. Brakes, tires, exhaust systems, coupling devices, turn signals, and other equipment may be inspected. Drivers may be asked to present their CDL (commercial driver's license), valid medical certificate, log book (record of hours worked), and other supporting documents. If the equipment or driver fails to meet the regulation requirements and the violation is referenced in the CVSA Out of Service Criteria, the officer will not allow the driver or vehicle to proceed until the requirements have been met. A citation may also be issued.

- NDDOT CDL Information: https://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/driverslicense/cdlrequirements.htm, 701-3282600
- CMN Regulation questions, visit FAQ section at https://www.nd.gov/ndhp/frequently-asked-questions or contact NDHP Motor Carrier Operations, 701-328-5128
- To contest a violation on a driver/vehicle inspection, visit: https://dataqs.fmcsa.dot.gov/

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## F. REGISTRATION

## Commercial Motor Vehicle Licensing (IRP)

North Dakota is a member of the International Registration Plan (IRP). IRP is a one-cab card registration system for interstate motor carriers. Commercial motor carriers register vehicles for other states through their base state. For more information regarding IRP, call the NDDOT, 701-328-1287.

Motor carriers who do not travel out of state must obtain commercial vehicle registration. To register and license a vehicle, contact the ND Motor Vehicle Division located in the Transportation Building on the Capitol grounds in Bismarck, 701-328-2725 or one of the NDDOT Motor Vehicle branch offices listed on the following page. Motor carriers opening a new IRP account or renewing an existing account must contact the Motor Carrier Services Section with the Motor Vehicle Division in Bismarck, 701-328-1287.

The Motor Carrier has a vide variety of new online options. Carriers now have the option to renew vehicles, file IFTA Quarterlies, increase weights, and even add new vehicles to their existing accounts. In most situations carriers receive a 60 day temporary to get the truck operating while the Motor Carrier office reviews all original paperwork. These activities can be completed online at https://apps.nd.gov/dot/cvisn/login.htm.

Limited service is available at the North Dakota Motor Vehicle Division's branch offices located at Dickinson, Fargo, Grand Forks, Minot, and Rugby. This service is limited to additions and deletions when replacing vehicles or adding new vehicles to an existing currently licensed account, weight increases, duplicate plates and cab cards, and obtaining additional IFTA decals. There is a service fee in addition to the required state fees as the branch offices are independent businesses.

| Motor Vehicle |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Branch Offices | Beulah | Chamber Office, 300 Highway 49 S | $701-873-4940$ |
|  | Bismarck | NDDOT Building, 608 E Blvd Avenue | $701-328-2725$ |
|  | Bottineau | County Courthouse, 314 5th St W Suite 11 | $701-228-2035$ |
|  | Bowman | County Courthouse, 104 1st St NW, Suite 2 | $701-523-3665$ |
|  | Carson | County Courthouse,106 2nd Avenue NE | $701-622-3275$ |
|  | Devils Lake | Chamber Office, 208 W Highway 2 | $701-662-8966$ |
|  | Dickinson | 1173 3d Ave W, Suite 37B | $701-227-6540$ |
|  | Elendale | 216 Main Street | $701-349-2045$ |
|  | Fargo | $74545 t h$ St S Ste H | $701-282-5070$ |
|  | Grafton | Chamber Office, 432 Hill Avenue | $701-352-0781$ |
|  | Grand Forks | 1726 S Washington Street, Suite 55 | $701-772-1390$ |
|  | Jamestown | Chamber Office, 120 2nd Street SE | $701-952-0852$ |
|  | Langdon | County Courthouse, 901 3rd Street, Suite 14 | $701-256-2511$ |
|  | Linton | County Courthouse, 100 4th Street NW | $701-254-4802$ |
|  | Lisbon | County Courthouse, 204 5th Avenue W | $701-683-6152$ |
|  | Minot | Arrowhead Shopping Ctr, 1600 2nd Ave SW | $701-857-8221$ |
|  | Rugby | 140 Viking Drive | $701-776-5734$ |
|  | Valley City | Chamber Office, 250 Main Street W | $701-845-3812$ |
|  | Wahpeton | Chamber Office 1505 11th St N | $701-642-2652$ |
|  | Watford City | County Courthouse, 201 5th St NW, Ste 10 | $701-444-3616$ |
|  | Williston | 721 E Highland Dr. Ste D | $701-774-4530$ |

## Fuel Licensing (IFTA)

If traveling outside North Dakota, a fuel permit or "IFTA" license must be obtained. The International Fuel Tax Agreement is an agreement among states to simplify the reporting of fuel use taxes by interstate motor carriers. Both the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) and International Registration Plan (IRP) are available to interstate truckers.

Contact the Motor Carrier Services Section of the NDDOT Motor Vehicle Division in Bismarck, 701-328-1287, for additional information or to determine the appropriate licensing for your operation. IFTA is also available to purchase online at uww.dot.nd.gov click on Motor Carrier Systems.

## G. Wegh Inspection Locations

1. All vehicles over 10,001 pounds gross vehicle weight rating or more are subject to safety inspections at fixed or roadside locations.
2. All vehicles within the state are subject to having weights verified on either portable or fixed scales by any sworn law enforcement officer. (NDCC 39-12-07)
3. During safety or weight inspections, random vehicle, hours of service, and driver's license checks are conducted. Vehicles and/or operators found with an out-of-service violation will be placed out of service.
4. Drivers not in possession of valid North Dakota permits or licenses will be required to obtain these documents before being allowed to proceed. A fee will be charged for those permits not in the driver's possession and a receipt issued. Drivers are subject to receiving a citation for operating without the proper permits or licenses.
5. Actual weights will be checked against the licensed weight of the vehicle. 72 -hour trip permits are required if the licensed weight of out-of-state trucks is exceeded.

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6. Interstate trucks are required to have an IRP cab card in possession, with North Dakota listed, or purchase a $\$ 2072$-hour trip permit.
7. Interstate trucks are required to display IFTA credentials or purchase a $\$ 15$ fuel permit.
8. Trip and fuel permits are available to nonresident carriers online at www.nd.gov/ndhp/motor-carrier/epermits.

## II - VEHICLE SIZE AND WEGGT

Vehicles and load movements in North Dakota shall comply with the following size and weight limits. Nonreducible loads and/or vehicles exceeding limits shall obtain a special permit. A legible electronic or paper copy of the permit must be carried in the vehicle at the time of the movement (see Permits for Oversize and/or Overweight Vehicles, page 46).

## A. Legal Width

8 feet 6 inches on all highways.
Exceptions:

1. Construction and building contractors' equipment and vehicles used to move such equipment, which does not exceed ten feet in width when being moved by contractors or resident carriers. Nighttime travel is allowed provided moving equipment is properly lighted.

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2. Implements of husbandry being moved by resident farmers, ranchers, dealers, manufacturers, or government entities between sunrise and sunset. Nighttime travel is allowed provided the implements are properly lighted and not being moved on the interstate highway system.
3. Hay in the stack being moved along the extreme right edge of a roadway between sunrise and sunset by someone other than a commercial mover. Commercial hay movers, over vidth self-propelled fertilizer spreaders, over width self-propelled agricultural chemical applicators, hay grinders, forage harvesters, and grain cleaners if the owners have seasonal permits.
4. All vehicles exempt from width limitations are subject to safety rules adopted by the ND Highway Patrol, see ND Administrative Code, 38-05.

## B. Legal Hもght

14 feet whether loaded or unloaded, except that such height limitation shall not affect any present structure such as bridges and underpasses that are not 14 feet in height.

## Exception:

Implements of husbandry may not exceed 15 feet 6 inches in height when being moved by resident farmers, ranchers, dealers, or manufacturers between sunrise and sunset. The distance traveled cannot exceed 60 miles and travel on the interstate system is not allowed.

## Vertical Clearances

The North Dakota Department of Transportation Bridge Vertical Clearance List may be obtained at click on www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/bridge/docs/NerticalClearances.pdf.

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14 Feet or Less
Disclaimer:
The vertical dimensions listed are the maximum distances under ideal conditions. THERE IS NO ALLOWANCE IN THESE DIMENSIONS FOR SNOW AND ICE ACCUMULATIONS, ETC.

At all structure underpass locations having depressed grades, the clearance given is based on a trailer length overall of 40 feet.

The dimensions are furnished on an information basis only. THE ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CHANGES IN CONDITIONS. It is the permit holders' responsibility to verify the clearances on the route traveled.

| Clearances on State Highways |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mile | Exit | Highway \# -- Structure | Direction | Clearance |  |
| po | No. |  |  | FT | IN |
| 157.424 |  | ND \#8-BNRR - Stanley, Main St | Underpass | 13 | 07 |
| 002.021 |  | US10 - BNRR-Casselton, 1 W of ND 18 | Underpass | 13 | 04 |
| 114.982 |  | ND \#14 - BNRR-Towner | Underpass | 13 | 02 |
| 070.811 |  | ND \#22 - BNRR-Dickinson | Underpass | 13 | 05 |

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| Clearances on City Streets |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mile point | City Street -- Structure | Direction | Clearance |
| 900.729 | Bismarck - Bus. US 83/9 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ St. - BNRR UP | Northbound | 13 ft 08 in |
| 903.335 | Bismarck - Bus. US 83/7 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ St. - BNRR UP | Southbound | 13 ft 05 in |
| City | Jamestown $-4^{\text {th }}$ Ave. NE/BNRR UP | Underpass | 12 ft 07 in |
| 926.783 | Fargo - Bus. US 81/Main Ave. \& 10 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, BNRR UP | Northbound | 13 ft 02 in |
| 927.092 | Fargo - Bus. US 81/10 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ St. BNRR UP | Northbound | 13 ft 07 in |
| 927.132 | Fargo - Bus. US 81/ University Dr. \& $7^{\text {th }}$ Ave N-BNRR UP | Southbound | 13 ft 10 in |
| 931.984 | Fargo - Bus. US 81/University Dr. - BNRR UP | Southbound | 13 ft 07 in |
| City | Access Rd \& BNSF 2d St, N of Main - Fargo |  | 14 ft 00 in |
| City | CP Railway, 1 E of Valley City |  | 14 ft 00 in |
| City | BNSF Railroad CR 19, West Fargo |  | $13 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{10in}$ |
| City | BNSF Railroad Center St, West Fargo |  | 13 ft 06 in |
| 060.457 | State Ave Separation - 194, Dickinson | Under clearance | 13 ft 07 in |

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## C. Legal Length

1. A single unit vehicle with two or more axles including the load thereon shall not exceed a length of 50 feet.
2. The length of a trailer or semitrailer including the load thereon may not exceed 53 feet except trailers and semitrailers titled and registered in North Dakota prior to July 1, 1987, and towed vehicles may not exceed 60 feet.
3. A combination of two, three, and four units including the load thereon shall not exceed an overall length of 75 feet on non-designated highways.
a. Three and four unit combinations are subject to safety rules adopted by the NDDOT director.
4. A combination of two, three, or four units including the load thereon may exceed 75 feet in overall length but shall not exceed 95 feet or 110 feet when traveling on four-lane divided highways and state highways designated by the NDDOT director and local authorities as to highways under their respective jurisdictions.
a. All combinations are subject to safety rules adopted by the NDDOT director.
b. Authorized vehicle combinations exceeding 75 feet in overall length shall operate on designated highways as shown on the Designated Highway Map (see map page 35).
c. Authorized combinations include the following:
1) Any combination of two units
2) Truck-tractor/semitrailer/trailer
3) Truck-tractor/semitrailer/semitrailer
4) Truck/trailer/trailer
a) Truck must be properly registered and designed to legally carry a gross weight of more than 24,000 pounds.

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b) Both trailers and semitrailers must be designed to carry gross weights of more than 24,000 pounds.
5) Truck-tractor/semitrailer/trailer/trailer


TRUCK-TRACTOR, SBMITRAILERAND TRAILER (A-TRAIN)



TRUCK-TRACTOR, SEMITRAILERAND SEMITRAILER(B-TRAIN)


TRUCK-TRACTOR, SBMITRAILERAND TWO TRAILERS ORTWO SEMITRALLERS (TRIPLE BOTTOM) COMVERTED TO TRAILESS WTH CONNERTER DOLLIES

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Exceptions:

1. Building moving equipment
2. Emergency tow trucks towing disabled lawful combinations of vehicles to a nearby repair facility
3. Vehicles and equipment owned and operated by the armed forces of the United States or the National Guard of this state
4. Structural material of telephone, power, and telegraph companies.
5. Truck-mounted haystack moving equipment provided such equipment does not exceed a length of 56 feet.
6. A truck-tractor and semitrailer and trailer when operated on the interstate highway system or parts of the national network designated by the DOT director.
a. The cargo carrying length shall not exceed 100 feet on a semitrailer and trailer or semitrailer converted to a trailer by use of a converter dolly and fifth wheel when the power unit is a truck-tractor.
7. Automobile transporters are allowed to transport cargo or freight on a backhaul. They are allowed 80 feet on a stinger-steered automotive transporter with a front overhang of less than 4 feet and a rear overhang of less than 6 feet.
8. A trailer transporter towing unit may have a combination of vehicles consisting of a trailer transport towing unit and two trailers or semitrailers with a total weight not to exceed 26,000 pounds, and in which the trailer or semitrailers carry no property and constitute inventory property of a manufacturer, distributor, or dealer of such trailer or semitrailers. Length may not exceed 82 feet on the towaway trailer transporter combination.

For highways designated for longer combinations, see map on the following page.

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North Dakota Weight Computation Formula

Computed to nearest foot by the weight formula in Section 39-12-05 and Section 39-12-05.3 of the North Dakota Century Code.

The formula is $\mathbf{W}=500$ [LNN-1 + 12N + 36]

W= Maximum weight in pounds on any group of two or more axles.
$\mathrm{L}=$ Distance in feet between extremes of any group of two or more consecutive axles.
$\mathrm{N}=$ Number of axles in the group under consideration.

## Online North Dakota Truck Weight Calculator

The online truck weight calculator provides a convenient way to determine the maximum legal weight that any set of axles on a vehicle/vehicle combination may carry on North Dakota's interstates and state highways. The allowable weight on a vehicle/vehicle combination may increase by either adding additional axles or by increasing the distance between axles. The formula for the calculator is a weight-to-length ratio. The calculator is available through NDSU Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI) website: http://dotsc.ugpti.ndsu.nodak.edw TWCNeightCalculator.aspx.

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## North Dakota Axle Weight Limitations

No single axle shall carry a gross weight in excess of $20,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Axles spaced 40 inches or less apart are considered one axle. Axles spaced eight (8) feet apart or over are considered as individual axles. The gross weight of two individual axles may be restricted by the weight formula except that on highways other than the interstate, two axles spaced eight (8) feet apart or more may have a combined gross weight not to exceed 40,000 lbs. Spacing between axles shall be measured from axle center to axle center.

Axles spaced over 40 inches apart and less than eight (8) feet apart shall not carry a gross weight in excess of $19,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. per axle. The gross weight on a tandem axle shall not exceed $34,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. The gross weight of three or more axles in a grouping is determined by the measurement between the extreme axle centers except that on highways other than the interstate, groupings of three or more axles may have a gross weight not to exceed 48,000 lbs. The weight per inch width of tire shall not exceed 550 lbs.

The weight on the steering axle shall be determined by the manufacturer's axle rating and shall not exceed 20,000 lbs. when travel is on the interstate system or on Defense Highways. When travel is on Defense Highways, the load shall be for the U.S. Department of Defense.

Metric tire sizes are converted to inches by dividing millimeters by 25.4. The width of tire for solid tires shall be the rim width. For pneumatic tires the width of tire shall be the manufacturer's width. The weight in pounds on any one wheel shall not exceed one-half the allowable axle weight. Dual tires are considered one (1) wheel.

| Tire Width | Single <br> Axle (2 Tires) | Single Axle (4 Tires) | Tandem <br> Axle <br> (4 Tires) | Tandem Axle (8 Tires) | Triple Axle (6 Tires) | Triple Axle <br> (12 Tires) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 7,700 | 15,400 | 15,400 | 30,800 | 23,100 | Determined by Weight Formula |
| 7:5 | 8,250 | 16,500 | 16,500 | 33,000 | 24,750 |  |
| 8 | 8,800 | 17,600 | 17,600 | 34,000 | 26,400 |  |
| 8:25 | 9,075 | 18,150 | 18,150 | 34,000 | 27,225 |  |
| 9 | 9,900 | 19,800 | 19,800 | 34,000 | 29,700 |  |
| 10 | 11,000 | 20,000 | 22,000 | 34,000 | 33,000 |  |
| 11 | 12,100 | 20,000 | 24,200 | 34,000 | Determined by Weight Formula |  |
| 12 | 13,200 | 20,000 | 26,400 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 13 | 14,300 | 20,000 | 28,600 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 14 | 15,400 | 20,000 | 30,800 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 15 | 16,500 | 20,000 | 33,000 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 16:5 | 18,150 | 20,000 | 34,000 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 17:5 | 19,250 | 20,000 | 34,000 | 34,000 |  |  |
| 18 | 19,800 | 20,000 | 34,000 | 34,000 |  |  |
| NOTE: Axle weights may be reduced during the spring breakup season or on otherwise posted highways. Axle weights may be reduced by Bridge Load Limitations Map, see page 60. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Metric Tire Conversion Examples

| Metric Tire Size | Tire Width in Inches | Maximum Weight | Metric Tire Size | Tire Width in Inches | Maximum Weight |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 245/75R22.5 | 9.6 inches | 5,280 lbs per tire | 315/75R22.5 | 12.4 inches | 6,820 lbs per tire |
| 255/70R22.5 | 10 inches | 5,550 lbs per tire | 385/65R22.5 | 15.1 inches | 8,305 lbs per tire |
| 265/75R22.5 | 10.4 inches | 5,720 lbs per tire | 425/65R22.5 | 16.7 inches | $9,185 \mathrm{lbs}$ per tire |
| 275/80R22.5 | 10.8 inches | 5,940 lbs per tire | 445/65R22.5 | 17.5 inches | 9,625 lbs per tire |
| 285/75R24.5 | 11.2 inches | 6,160 lbs per tire | 455/65R22.5 | 17.9 inches | 9,845 lbs per tire |
| 295/75R22.5 | 11.6 niches | 6,380 lbs per tire | 465/65R22.5 | 18.3 inches | 10,000 lbs per tire |

## Examples of Bridge Formula Application on the Interstate System



$57,500 \mathrm{lbs}$
G.V.W.

Note: On the Interstate System, the interior and exterior bridge measurement shall be used to determine the gross vehicle weight (GWW) of a vehicle or combination of vehicles. Maximum legal GWW is 80,000 pounds without a permit.

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## Examples of Bridge Formula Application on the State Highuay System



Note: On highways other than the Interstate System, only the exterior bridge measurement shall be used to determine the gross vehicle weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles.

Groupings of three or more axles may have a gross weight not to exceed 48,000 pounds.
For permits on 4-axle straight trucks, visit: https://www.nd.gov/ndhp/bridge-length-permit.


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## E Spring Load Restriction Weight Limit Classifications

In the spring of the year and on highways with load limits year round, highways may be restricted to lower axle weights. Signs will be erected and maintained showing the restriction in place. To view a map showing restricted state highways, visit the NDDOT website at www.dot.nd.gov/travel-info, click on Load Restrictions, or call 701-3282545 or 701-328-2621. Weight limits may vary on local roads and on the interstate system.

| North Dakota Department of Transportation Spring Load Restriction Classifications |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## III - Permis

The following permits can be purchased online at www.nd.gov/ndhp/motor-carrier/e-permits. A brief explanation of each permit type is provided toward the bottom of the NDHP E-Permit webpage. Permits can also be obtained from the NDHP Permit office, a trooper or motor carrier inspector.

## Permits available online:

| Over Dimensional Only Permit \# | 10\% Harvest/Winter Permit/Durational + |
| :---: | :---: |
| Trip Permit (in lieu of registration) + | Approved Equipment + |
| Oversize/Ovenweight Permit \# | Annual Over Width Permit + |
| Fuel Permit | Longer Combination Vehicle (LCV) Permit \#+ |
| Interstate Permit \#+ | Mobile Home Permit \# |
| Custom Combine Permit \#+ | Special Mobile Equipment Permit \# |
| Bridge Length Permit \#+ | Work Over Rig Permit \# |
| Seasonal + | Building Permit \# |
| 129,000 Primary Network \#+ | Annual Over Length Permit+ |

\# denotes Single-Trip Permit

+ denotes Multi-Trip Permit


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## A. Non-reducible Oversize and/or Ovenveight Vehicles or Load Movements

## Travel Restrictions and Safety Requirements

All over-dimensional and ovemeight permits have specific conditions that apply to all types of loads. All overdimensional vehicles and loads shall have minimum 18 " $\times 18^{\prime \prime}$ red or bright orange flags displayed on the traffic side: front and rear. When the overall length of an over-dimensional movement exceeds 75 feet, or width exceed $8^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ there shall be at least $12^{\prime \prime} \times 60^{\prime \prime}$ OVERSIZF LOAD sign on the front and rear. All over-dimensional loads are restricted to travel from $1 / 2$ hour before sunrise to $1 / 2$ hour after sunset, unless ten feet or less in width and legal on all other dimensions. Authorized nighttime movements shall be lighted with clearance lights visible from the front, rear, and side marking the outermost width of the vehicle/load. Rotating or flashing amber light(s) shall be mounted above the cab and visible from the front and rear for a distance not less than 500 feet under clear atmospheric conditions at night. There are weekend and holiday travel restrictions when the overall width of a load or vehicle exceeds 16 feet.

Manufactured housing units may not move when wind velocity exceeds 25 miles per hour. Overall width shall not exceed 18 feet. Oversize Load ( $12^{\prime \prime} \times 60^{\prime \prime}$ ) signs are required on the front end of the towing vehicle and on the backside of the manufactured housing unit for all movements. Proof of insurance showing the amounts of coverage shall be required to obtain a permit.

Overweight vehicles or loads shall not move on flexible pavements when atmospheric temperature is 90 degrees F. or above. The speed shall not exceed 40 miles per hour if GWW is more than 120,000 pounds or more than 5,000 pounds over legal/posted axle weight limits unless travel is on I-29 or I-94. Overweight permits will be issued for hauling ONLY single piece loads, and self-propelled non-reducible vehicles.

Pilot car(s) are required for all movements exceeding 14 feet 6 inches in width, 18 feet in height, and 120 feet in overall length. In lieu of the pilot car, ovemidth movements exceeding 14 feet 6 inches, but not 16 feet may be equipped with lighted rotating or flashing amber light(s) that are visible from the front and rear at 500 feet. Load movements exceeding 18 feet in overall width are subject to an NDHP escort. Excessive overweight load movements are also subject to pilot cars and an official escort.

## Axle Weight Limitations

1. Axle weight limitations for vehicles and vehicle combinations (with permit).
a. Vehicles or vehicle combinations hauling non-divisible overweight loads cannot exceed the following maximum permit axle weights. (Single and tandem axle weights may not exceed 600 pounds per inch width of tire; groupings with three axles or more may not exceed 550 pounds per inch width of tire.) Metric tire sizes are converted to inches by dividing millimeters by 25.4.

| Tire Size | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 8 Tires | Triple Axle 12 Tires | Four Axles 16 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8.2 | 9,840 \# | 19,680 \# | 19,680 \# | 39,360 \# | 54,120 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 9 | 10,800 \# | 21,600 \# | 21,600 \# | 43,200 \# | 59,400 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 10 | 12,000 \# | *24,000 \# | 24,000 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 11 | 13,200 \# | *24,000 \# | 26,400 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 12 | 14,400 \# | *24,000 \# | 28,800 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 13 | 15,600 \# | *24,000 \# | 31,200 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 14 | 16,800 \# | *24,000 \# | 33,600 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 15 | 18,000 \# | *24,000 \# | 36,000 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 16.5 | 19,800 \# | *24,000 \# | 39,600 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 17.5 | 21,000 \# | *24,000 \# | 42,000 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 18 | 21,600 \# | *24,000 \# | 43,200 \# | *45,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 20.5 | 24,000\# | 24,000\# | 45,000\# | 45,000\# | 60,000\# | 68,000\# |

*Maximums include all tolerances
b. For all axle groupings of four axles or more, no axle shall exceed 19,000 pounds per axle.

1. On a group of five axles, the gross weight shall not exceed 85,000 pounds; and on a group of six axles, the gross weight shall not exceed 102,000 pounds.
2) Axle weight limitations for fixed load equipment mounted on truck-type chassis.
a. The following are the maximum permittable axle weights for fixed load equipment mounted on truck-type chassis such as truck cranes. (Single and tandem axle weights may not exceed 650 pounds per inch width of tire; groupings with three or more axles may not exceed 550 pounds per inch width of tire.) Metric tire sizes are converted to inches by dividing millimeters by 25.4. " m " denotes tire width in millimeters.

| Tire Size | $\begin{gathered} \text { Single } \\ \text { Axle } \\ 2 \text { Tires } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Single } \\ & \text { Axle } \\ & 4 \text { Tires } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Tandem } \\ \text { Axle } \\ 4 \text { Tires } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Tandem Axle 8 Tires | Triple Axle 6 Tires | Triple Axle 12 Tires | Four Axle 8 Tires | Four Axle 16 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8.2 | 10,660 | 21,320 | 21,320 | 42,640 | 27,060 | 54,120 | 36,080 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 9 | 11,700 \# | 23,400 \# | 23,400 \# | 46,800 \# | 29,700 \# | 59,400 \# | 39,600 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 10 | 13,000 \# | 26,000 \# | 26,000 \# | *50,000 \# | 33,000 \# | *60,000 \# | 44,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{gathered} 11 \\ 11.2 \end{gathered}$ | 14,300 \# | 28,600 \# | 28,600 \# | *50,000 \# | 36,300 \# | *60,000 \# | 48,400 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{gathered} 285 \mathrm{~m} \\ 11.6 \end{gathered}$ | 14,560 \# | 29,120 \# | 29,120 \# | *50,000 \# | 36,960 \# | *60,000 \# | 49,280 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 295 m | 15,080 \# | *30,000 \# | 30,160 | *50,000 \# | 38,280 \# | *60,000 \# | 51,040 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{gathered} 12 \\ 12.4 \end{gathered}$ | 15,600 \# | *30,000 \# | 31,200 \# | *50,000 \# | 39,600 \# | *60,000 \# | 52,800 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 315 m | 16,120 \# | *30,000 \# | 32,240 \# | *50,000 \# | 40,920 \# | *60,000 \# | 54,560 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 13 | 16,900 \# | *30,000 \# | 33,800 \# | *50,000 \# | 42,900 \# | *60,000 \# | 57,200 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 14 | 18,200 \# | *30,000 \# | 36,400 \# | *50,000 \# | 46,200 \# | *60,000 \# | 61,600 \# | *68,000 \# |


| Tire <br> Size <br> 14.3 | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 8 Tires | Triple Axle 6 Tires | Triple Axle 12 Tires | Four Axle 8 Tires | Four Axle 16 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 365 m | 18,590\# | *30,000 \# | 37,180 \# | *50,000 \# | 47,190 \# | *60,000 \# | 62,920 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{gathered} 15 \\ 15.1 \end{gathered}$ | 19,500 \# | *30,000 \# | 39,000 \# | *50,000 \# | 49,500 \# | *60,000 \# | 66,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 385 m | 19,630 \# | *30,000 \# | 39,260\# | *50,000 \# | 49,830 \# | *60,000 \# | 66,440 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 16.5 \\ & 16.7 \end{aligned}$ | 21,450 \# | *30,000 \# | 42,900 \# | *50,000 \# | 54,450 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{gathered} 425 \mathrm{~m} \\ 17.5 \end{gathered}$ | 21,710 \# | *30,000 \# | 43,420 \# | *50,000 \# | 55,110 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 445 m | 22,750 \# | *30,000 \# | 45,500 \# | *50,000 \# | 57,750 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 18 | 23,400 \# | *30,000 \# | *46,800 \# | *50,000 \# | 59,400 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 20.5 | 26,650 \# | *30,000 \# | *46,800 \# | *50,000 \# | $\begin{gathered} \text { *60,000 } \\ \# \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# | *68,000 \# |

*Maximums include all tolerances
b. The rear axles of a truck crane and the dollies mounted behind the truck crane are considered one combination. If a boom trailer or boom dolly is towed behind a truck crane, the towed trailer is considered a separate combination if the axle spacing is $\mathbf{8}$ feet or more behind the truck crane. The gross weight of axles or axle groupings on trailers or dollies pulled behind truck cranes or other fixed load vehicles cannot exceed axle weight limitations as authorized for vehicle combinations in section 1.a.
3. Workover Senvice Rig Axle weight limitations (\$100 permit fee).
a. Workover service rigs manufactured AFIER December 31, 2010 must comply with axle weights in Axle Weight Table 3a (p.53). Maximum permitted weights for single and tandem axles may not exceed 650 pounds per inch width of tire. Axle groupings with three or more axles may not exceed 550 pounds per inch width of tire.
b. Workover senvice rigs manufactured BEFORE January 1, 2011 must comply with axle weights in Axle Weight Table 3b (p. 54). If the workover service rig has groupings with three or more axles it is allowed to follow the weights in the three or more axle groupings in Axle Weight Table 3a (p.53). Maximum permitted weights for single and tandem axles may not exceed 670 pounds per inch width of tire.
c. Workover service rigs manufactured BEFORE January 1, 2011 can apply for a weight increase. The cost of the weight increase is $\$ 990$ and is only valid for 365 days from date of purchase. Workover rigs MUST be stripped of excess weight, if it exceeds weights allowed in Weight Table 3a. If weight increase is approved, the maximum permitted weights for single and tandem axle weights may not exceed 695 pounds per inch width of tire. Axle groupings with three or more axles may not exceed 550 pounds per inch width of tire. See Axle Weight Table 3c (p.55).
i. For all axle groupings with four axles or more, no axle shall exceed 19,000 pounds per axle.
ii. On a group with five axles, the gross weight shall not exceed 85,000 pounds; and on a group with six axles, the gross weight shall not exceed 102,000 pounds.
d. In sections a through c, metric tire sizes are converted to inches by dividing millimeters by 25.4, " m " denotes tire width in millimeters.

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4. Routing is restricted by the Permit Bridge Load Limitations Map (page 48) and the Weight Limitations Map (page 35). Approved Routes for GWW up to 250,000 lbs. Map (page 49) and the Load Restriction Map, www.dot.nd.gov. The Weight Limitations Map denotes highways posted for 80,000 lbs. GWW. The Permit Bridge Load Limitations Map shows weight limitations for axle combinations when crossing over bridge structures. The Load Restriction Map denotes highways with reduced axle/gross vehicle weights.
5. Road construction may restrict requested routes of travel. For road construction information, visit the NDDOT Travel Information Map at www.dot.nd.gov/travel-info or contact the NDHP permit section.

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Table 3a

| Tire Size | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle 4 Tires | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tandem } \\ \text { Axle } \\ 4 \text { Tires } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Tandem } \\ \text { Axle } \\ 8 \text { Tires } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Triple Axle 6 Tires | Triple Axle 12 Tires | Four Axle 16 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | 11,700 \# | 23,400 \# | 23,400 \# | 46,800 \# | 29,700 \# | 59,400 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 10 | 13,000 \# | 26,000 \# | 26,000 \# | *50,000 \# | 33,000 \# | *60,000 \# | '68,000 \# |
| 11 | 14,300 \# | 28,600 \# | 28,600 \# | '50,000 \# | 36,300 \# | '60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 11.2 \\ & 285 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 14,560 \# | 29,120 \# | 29,120 \# | *50,000 \# | 36,960 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 11.6 \\ & 295 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 15,080 \# | *30,000 \# | 30,160 \# | *50,000 \# | 38,280 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 12 | 15,600 \# | *30,000 \# | 31,200 \# | *50,000 \# | 39,600 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 12.4 \\ & 315 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 16,120 \# | *30,000 \# | 32,240 \# | *50,000 \# | 40,920 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 13 | 16,900 \# | *30,000 \# | 33,800 \# | *50,000 \# | 42,900 \# | '60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 14 | 18,200 \# | '30,000 \# | 36,400 \# | '50,000 \# | 46,200 \# | '60,000 \# | '68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 14.3 \\ & 365 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 18,590 \# | *30,000 \# | 37,180 \# | *50,000 \# | 47,190 \# | *60,000\# | *68,000 \# |
| 15 | 19,500 \# | *30,000 \# | 39,000 \# | *50,000 \# | 49,500 \# | '60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 15.1 \\ & 385 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 19,630 \# | *30,000 \# | 39,260 \# | *50,000 \# | 49,830 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 16:5 | 21,450 \# | *30,000 \# | 42,900 \# | *50,000 \# | 54,450 \# | '60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 16.7 \\ & 425 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 21,710 \# | *30,000 \# | 43,420 \# | *50,000 \# | 55,110 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 17.5 \\ & 445 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 22,750 \# | *30,000 \# | 45,500 \# | *50,000 \# | 57,750 \# | *60,000 \# | *68,000 \# |
| 18 | 23,400 \# | *30,000 \# | * 46,800 \# | *50,000 \# | 59,400 \# | '60,000 \# | '68,000 \# |
| 20.5 | 26,650 \# | *30,000 \# | * 46,800 \# | '50,000 \# | *60,000 \# | *60,000 \# | '68,000 \# |

*Maximums include all tolerances

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Table 3b

| Tire Size | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 8 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 14,740\# | 29,480 \# | 29,480 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 11.2 (285 m) | 15,008 \# | *30,000 \# | 30,016\# | *50,000 \# |
| 11.6 (295 m) | 15,544 \# | *30,000 \# | 31,088 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 12 | 16,080 \# | *30,000 \# | 32,160 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 12.4 (315 m) | 16,616\# | *30,000 \# | 33,232 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 13 | 17,420 \# | *30,000 \# | 34,840 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 14 | 18,760 \# | *30,000 \# | 37,520 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 14.3 ( 365 m ) | 19,162\# | *30,000 \# | 38,324 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 15 | 20,100 \# | *30,000 \# | 40,200 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 15.1 ( 385 m ) | 20,234 \# | *30,000 \# | 40,468 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 16.5 | 22,110\# | *30,000 \# | 44,220 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 16.7 ( 425 m ) | 22,378 \# | *30,000 \# | 44,756 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 17.5 ( 445 m ) | 23,450 \# | *30,000 \# | *46,800 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 18 | 24,120\# | *30,000 \# | *46,800 \# | *50,000 \# |
| 20.5 | 27,470 \# | *30,000 \# | *46,800 \# | *50,000 \# |

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Table 3c

| Tire Size | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle <br> 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 4 Tires | Tandem Axle 8 Tires | Triple Axle 6 Tires | Triple Axle 12 Tires | Four Axle 16 Tires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | 12,510 \# | 25,020 \# | 25,020 \# | 50,040 \# | 29,700 \# | 59,400 \# | 70,720 \# |
| 10 | 13,900 \# | 27,800 \# | 27,800 \# | *52,000 \# | 33,000 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 11 | 15,290 \# | 30,580 \# | 30,580 \# | *52,000 \# | 36,300 \# | *62,400 \# | ${ }^{*} 70,720$ \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 11.2 \\ & 285 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 15,568 \# | 31,136 \# | 31,136 \# | *52,000 \# | 36,960 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 11.6 \\ & 295 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 16,124 \# | *31,200 \# | 32,248 \# | *52,000 \# | 38,280 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 12 | 16,680 \# | *31,200 \# | 33,360 \# | *52,000 \# | 39,600 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 12.4 \\ & 315 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 17,236 \# | *31,200 \# | 34,472 \# | *52,000 \# | 40,920 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 13 | 18,070 \# | *31,200 \# | 36,140 \# | *52,000 \# | 42,900 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 14 | 19,460 \# | *31,200 \# | 38,920 \# | *52,000 \# | 46,200 \# | ${ }^{*} 62,400$ \# | * 70,720 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 14.3 \\ & 365 \mathrm{~m} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 19,877 \# | *31,200 \# | 39,754 \# | *52,000 \# | 47,190 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 15 | 20,850 \# | *31,200 \# | 41,700 \# | *52,000 \# | 49,500 \# | * 62,400 \# | ${ }^{*} 70,720$ \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 15.1 \\ & 385 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 20,989 \# | *31,200 \# | 41,978 \# | *52,000 \# | 49,830 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 16:5 | 22,935 \# | *31,200 \# | 45,870 \# | *52,000 \# | 54,450 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 16.7 \\ & 425 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 23,213 \# | *31,200 \# | 46,426 \# | *52,000 \# | 55,110 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| $\begin{aligned} & 17.5 \\ & 445 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 24,325 \# | *31,200 \# | 48,650 \# | *52,000 \# | 57,750 \# | *62,400 \# | *70,720 \# |
| 18 | 25,020 \# | *31,200 \# | * 48,672 \# | *52,000 \# | 59,400 \# | * 62,400 \# | ${ }^{*} 70,720$ \# |
| 20.5 | 28,495 \# | *31,200 \# | *48,672 \# | ${ }^{\text {'52,000 \# }}$ | *62,400 \# | *62,400 \# | ${ }^{*} 70,720$ \# |

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6. A legible electronic or paper copy of a permit, must be in possession prior to starting any oversize/overweight vehicle or load movement. Permits may be obtained by visiting the NDHP website at https://www.nd.gov/ ndhp, click on E-permits; by contacting the ND Highway Patrol permit section at 701-328-2621; or by contacting a trooper or motor carrier inspector. The following information must be available to complete the permit application:
a. Company name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number and email address (optional)
b. Description of power unit: Year, make, serial number, license number and state, ND registered GWW, tire width (from tire sidewall), number of axles, number of tires per axle, axle spacing, and track width (when applicable). Please see example on page 57.
c. Description of towed unit: type of unit: With, length, number of axles, number of tires per axle, tire width (from tire sidewall axle spacing, track widths (when applicable),
d. Axle weights and gross vehicle weight if overweight is requested.
e. Start dates of travel, point of origin and destination, and desired route(s) to be traveled (optional).
f. A track width measurements application (load diagram) must be completed when:
1) Vehicle or load movement in excess of $250,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. GWW.
2) The exterior track width on an axle(s) with 2 tires is less than six feet
3) The exterior track width on an axle(s) with 4 tires is less than 8 feet.
4) Use a non-standard trailer (trunnion, side by side dollies, dual-lane, double trailer, platform, etc.) to haul a load.
7. A track width measurements application is available at www.nd.gov/ndhp, click on Motor Carrier, Permit Application Forms, click on Diagram for Track Width Measurements.

Sample of tire width from sidewall: 275 mm


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## Permit Fees

1. $\$ 20$ for each single trip permit (SFN 3507, Official Receipt/Permit) except for loads in excess of 150,000 pounds GWW and self-propelled special mobile equipment.
2. Graduated fee for each single trip permit (SFN 3507, Official Receipt/Permit) exceeding 150,000 pounds gross vehicle weight:

| Gross Vehicle Weight | Permit Fee |
| :--- | :---: |
| $150,001-160,000$ lbs. | $\$ 30$ |
| $160,001-170,000$ lbs. | $\$ 40$ |
| $170,001-180,000$ lbs. | $\$ 50$ |
| $180,001-190,000$ lbs. | $\$ 60$ |
| 190,001 and over | $\$ 70$ |

3. $\$ 25$ for each single trip permit for overweight self-propelled special mobile equipment (exdudesworigs).
4. $\$ 100$ for each single trip (SFN 3507 Receipt/Permit) for workover rigs
a. $\$ 990$ for an annual weight increase on a workover service rig that exceeds 670 pounds per inch of tire width on a single or tandem axle; exceeds $60,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. On a triple axle, or 68,000 lbs. on a quad axle (this is in addition to the single trip permit fee).
5. $\$ 150$ for each annual over-vidth Permit (SFN 3507 Official receipt/permit), authorizing movements up to 14 feet 6 inches in width.
6. $\$ 150$ for each annual over-length Permit (SFN 3507 Official receipt/permit), authorizing movements up to 120 feet in length.
7. \$20 for each annual over width permit up to $14^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ in width for the movement of a noncommercial fish house trailer (SFN 3507 Official receipt/permit.)
8. $\$ .05$ per ton per mile is assessed upon the portion of GWW exceeding 200,000 pounds
9. Ton mile fees when axle/gross vehicle weight exceed posted weight limits or during spring thaw (Policy 9-17)
10. 129,000 Primary Network Permit is $\$ 20$ for a single trip, $\$ 100$ for a 30 days, $\$ 700$ for 365 days.
11. $\$ 10$ service/routing fee for each single trip permit (excludes trip and fuel.)
12. Escort services provided by the NDHP are $\$ 50$ per hour per Trooper and $\$ .50$ per mile per Trooper.
13. Official or publicly owned vehicles shall not be required to pay charges for permits. (No fee for a commercial hauler engaged in charity hauling.)

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DESIGNATED PERMITTABLE ROUTES EXCEEDING 105,500 POUNDS UP TO 129,000 POUNDS


Vehicles may be permitted up to what is allowed by inner and outer bridge formula not to exceed 129,000 pounds
NOTE 1 : For information on overall length allowed see NDHP Policy 9-1 Annex B.
NOTE 2 : No individual trailer can exceed 53 feet.


## B. ANMUAL OVER-MDTH PERMT

An annual over-width permit will be issued in lieu of a single trip permits for vehicle and load movements that are over-vidth only. All other dimensions and weights must be legal. The permit authorizes over-vidth movements up to 14 feet 6 inches. The fee for an annual over-width permit is $\$ 150.00$. When the load is for the movement of a noncommercial fish house trailer, the fee is $\$ 20$. The permit is valid for 365 days.

## C. ANNUAL OVER-LFNGTH PERVIT

An annual over-length permit will be issued in lieu of a single trip permits for vehicle and load movements that are over-length only. All other dimensions and weights must be legal. The permit authorizes over-length movements up to 120 feet. The fee for an annual over-width permit is $\$ 150.00$. The permit is valid 365 days.

## D. INTERSTATE PERMT POUCY

Permits are required for legal size divisible load vehicles exceeding the federal gross vehicle weight cap of 80,000 pounds for movement on the interstate highway system. The GWW shall not exceed 105,500 pounds. All weights are restricted by the North Dakota Weight Limitations Chart and the North Dakota Axle Weight Limitations Chart.

The interstate permit (legible electronic or paper copy) must be in possession prior to travel on the interstate system in North Dakota. Single trip and annual interstate permits can be purchased online at www.nd.gov/ndhp/ motor-carrier/e-permits, obtained from the ND Highway Patrol permit section, highway patrol officers and motor carrier inspectors. The fee for a single trip permit is $\$ 10$ plus a $\$ 10$ senvice/routing. The single trip permit is valid for a one-way movement made within a 3-day period or multiple trips made in a 24 -hour period. An annual interstate permit is $\$ 300$ and is valid for 365 days. Information required for an interstate permit can be obtained by visiting the NDHP website or contacting the NDHP Permit Office at 701-328-2621.

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## E Seasonal Permit Poucy

Seasonal permits will be issued in lieu of single trip permits for commercial movement of over width haystacks, hay bales, forage harvesters, grain cleaners, hay grinders, fertilizer spreaders and chemical applicators transported by another vehicle, and for commercial movement of over width and overweight self-propelled fertilizer spreaders and self-propelled agricultural chemical applicators. The seasonal permits are regulated under authority of section 39-12-04 and 39-12-05.3 of the North Dakota Century Code.

The permits can be purchased online at www.nd.gov/ndhp/motor-carrier/e-permits or obtained from the NDHPI Permit Office, highway patrol troopers or motor carrier inspectors. The following information is needed to obtain a permit:

1. Company or individual's name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number, e-mail address.
2. Description of power unit: type, unit number, year, make, license number and state (when applicable), and serial number (VN - minimum 8 digits), ND registered gross vehicle weight (when applicable).
3. Overall dimensions of vehicle or vehicle combination (width, height, length, whichever is applicable)
4. Total number of axles for the power unit and towed unit (when applicable)
5. Number of tires per axle, tire width, and axle spacing.
6. Insurance information, insurance company name, policy number, amounts of coverage, and expiration date.
7. The permit fee is $\$ 50$ for 365 days.

## F. 129,000 PRIMARY NETWORK POUCY

The 129,000 Primary Network Permit allows a vehicle combination hauling a divisible load to exceed 105,500 pounds up to 129,000 pound GWW. All axle weights must be legal. No single trailer may exceed 53'. Cargo carrying length may not exceed 100'.

The most current 129,000 route map is available at: https://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/maintenance/docs/928annex a.pdf

The permit is sold for a single trip or multiple trips. The price of the single trip permit is $\$ 20$ with a $\$ 10$ routing fee, 30 day is $\$ 100$ and $\$ 700$ for 365 days.

The vehicle must comply with the following criteria:

1. Vehicle must have sufficient number of axles and bridge length using the inner and outer bridge formula.
2. Tires and axle weights must be legal.
3. Gross weight may not exceed 129,000 pounds.
4. Out-of-state vehicles not licensed in North Dakota or not registered for 105,500 lbs. GWW under IRP are subject to the $\$ 20$ 72-hour trip permit.
5. North Dakota registered vehicles must be licensed for 105,5000 pounds GWV.

To request additional highways be added to the 129,000 Primary Network, visit: https://www.dot.nd.gov/ divisions/maintenance/large-truck-network.htm

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## IV - HGHMAY USER INFORMATION

## A. Speed Limt Laws

There are no differential speed limits in North Dakota, the posted limits are the limits for all vehicles. All vehicles must also follow North Dakota Century Code sections 39-09-01 (Basic Rule - Penalty for Violation) and 39 -09-01.1 (Care Required in Operating a Vehicle).

Speed limits throughout the state of North Dakota are:
Gravel, dirt, or loose surface highways
55 mph
Paved 2 lane highways, not otherwise posted 55 mph
Paved 2 lane highways when posted 65 mph
Paved and divided multi-lane highways 70 mph
Interstate highways, not otherwise posted 75 mph
Construction zones
as posted
All roads within urban areas
as posted
There is no minimum speed limit on any highway in the state of North Dakota.

## B. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Hazardous material transportation must comply with the Federal Hazardous Material Regulations. North Dakota does not require a state permit for hazardous material transportation. Transporters of hazardous waste must have a permit from the ND Health Department, 701-328-5150.

## C. CE L PHONE RESTRICTIONS FOR COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHCLE DRIVERS

Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMM) drivers are restricted from holding a mobile telephone to conduct voice communication and dialing a mobile telephone by pressing more than a single button. Hands-free use is allowed via either a headset, in vehicle audio, or speakerphone function. CMN drivers are restricted from texting while driving. Texting while driving includes emailing, instant messaging or accessing an internet page. In addition to Federal Regulation, North Dakota law prohibits texting while driving for all drivers except in emergency situations.

These restrictions apply to drivers of all CMNs in interstate commerce (operating across state lines), drivers of CMNs over 26,000 pounds in intrastate commerce (operating within ND), and all drivers of CMNs transporting a quantity of hazardous material that requires placarding.

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## D. KNOWTHE "NO ZONES" OF YOUR VEHCLE

Many crashes between large trucks and cars take place in the No Zone. Be vigilant in noticing vehicles entering the No Zone. The No Zone represents the danger areas, or blind spots, around trucks and buses where crashes are more likely to occur. Other drivers may not be aware of the size of your truck's blind spots.

Passing: When vehicles cut in too soon after passing, then abruptly slow down, you may be forced to compensate with little time or room to spare. Always look for escape routes as you drive, if you need to swerve to miss a slowing vehicle that has just passed you.

Backing Up: When backing up, try to use a spotter whenever possible. Sometimes vehicles will try to pass close behind you when you are performing this maneuver. A spotter can control your movement as well as serve as a beacon to the other driver.

Rear Blind Spots: Trucks have a deep blind spot behind them. Watch for vehicles that are travelling too close and try to let them pass if it is possible and safe.

Side Blind Spots: Watch for vehicles moving into your side blind spots and make sure to take a second look before changing lanes to avoid a collision.

Wide Turns: Signal your turn as early as possible so other vehicles knowyour intentions and allow you to complete your turn safely.

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## E REMEMBERTO:

Take Care of Yourself: The most important part of a moving truck or bus is the driver! Get plenty of rest before getting behind the wheel. Eat well and stay fit. Remember, hours of sevvice violations are serious and can threaten your livelihood or even your life. Stay healthy and well rested, or don't drive.

Always Maintain Your Vehicle: Inspect your vehicle before each trip and check your brakes regularly. Learn how to inspect your brakes, identify safety defects, and get them repaired before risking your life and others on the highway.

Slow Down in Work Zones: Watch out for highway construction. Stay alert. Work zone crashes are more likely to happen during the day. Almost one-third of fatal crashes in work zones involve large trucks. Take your time going through work zones and give yourself plenty of room. Expect the unexpected!

Always Keep Your Distance: Always leave enough space between you and the vehicle in front of you. If you hit someone from behind, you are typically considered in violation, regardless of the situation. Large trucks require more stopping distances than other vehicles. Take advantage of your driving height and anticipate braking situations.

Fasten Your Seat Belt: Buckle up for safety and control. If you are in a crash, a seat belt can save your life and the lives of those around you. It will keep you in your seat and allow you to maintain control of your truck or bus. A major cause of truck and bus driver fatalities involves being ejected from the vehicle. Wearing seat belts is still the single most effective thing all drivers can do to save lives and reduce injuries on roadways.

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Always Drive Defensively: Avoid aggressive drivers! It's estimated that each year two-thirds of all traffic fatalities are caused by aggressive driving behaviors. Keep your distance and maintain a safe speed. The only thing speed will increase is your chance for a crash.

Work to Help Yourselves: Be the professional on the highway! Help stranded motorists; notify the ND Highway Patrol of crashes, unsafe drivers, unsafe roadway conditions, and other situations that can lead to crashes. Your performance on the highway can portray a positive image for your industry!

Tell Us What is Wrong: If you know of unsafe situations, tell us about it. This includes unsafe companies, unsafe drivers, unsafe roadways, and unsafe vehicles. Call us to help make the roads safer!

## F. STUDDED TIRE/CHAN LAVS

Studded tires are permitted in North Dakota from October 15 to April 15. There is no mandatory chain law in North Dakota.


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