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## TCH four-lane opens

New Brunswick reached a milestone on November 1, 2007 with the official opening of the last 98 kilometres of the four-lane Trans-Canada Highway (Route 2) in the province.

The entire 516 kilometres of highway from the Nova Scotia border to the Quebec border is now a divided, four-lane highway achieving long-held aspirations for increased Safety and economic opportunity for the province, region and all of Canada.

<http://www.qnb.ca/cnb/news/tran/2007e1405tr.htm>

## Have a question?

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## New wide tires reduce emissions

A new type of wide tires that reduce greenhouse gas emissions by transport trucks can now operate on certain New Brunswick highways under special permit.



New generation single-wide tires benefit the environment by reducing rolling resistance and saving on fuel. The tires can also support heavier axle loads than the standard single tires without damage to the pavement, meaning shippers can reduce the number of vehicle trips required to move their goods.

The fee for this new permit will be \$50 and will be valid for one year. Permits are available by contacting the special permit office at 506-453-2982. <http://www.qnb.ca/cnb/news/tran/2007e1616tr.htm>

## Sunbury goes green

Sunbury Transport is piloting green technologies on its fleet.

With the collaboration of the New Brunswick Department of Transportation, Sunbury Transport is using a (LCV), to transport parent rolls of tissue and finished consumer tissue products between the cities of Saint John and Dieppe. Data is currently being compiled by the company to analyze the Greenhouse gas (GHG) savings and vehicle performance.



Sunbury Transport has initiated several GHG saving measures including anti-idling policies, speed governing and on-board monitoring technologies. Currently, two tractors are equipped with Hi-Drive Technology hydrogen injection system to pilot the use of the device and measure the reduction of GHG and related fuel savings in its operating environment. Another tractor is equipped with Auxiliary Power Unit (APU).

Sunbury Transport is a recent recipient of the federal "Repair Our Air" Award recognizing environmental performance and reduced emissions, and the provincial 2007 Environmental Leadership Award for demonstrating exceptional leadership in the enhancement and protection of the environment. The company is also a member of the SmartWay Transport Partnership Program directed at reducing greenhouse gases and pollution.

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## Anti-idling rules

The Department of Transportation is continuing its effort to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emitted by the government fleet.



As of June 13, 2007, motor vehicles or motorized equipment are not permitted to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition and removing the key. Vehicles may not idle more than five minutes in a 60-minute period while attended, including the start up and cool down periods for diesel engines. Motor vehicles and equipment are not permitted to idle within 30 metres from a building fresh air intake or entrance.

It is estimated that this new policy will lower annual fuel consumption by about 500,000 litres, reduce GHG emissions by over 1,000 tonnes each year and save taxpayers.

## Did you know?

The new federal Hours of Service came into force within New Brunswick on June 30, 2007.

During the spring of 2007 a team of instructors with a representative from each province provided training courses to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers within each jurisdiction.

The sharing of resources has provided cost efficient and consistent training on the new Hours of Service. Strong partnerships and a close working relationship in the enforcement community will assist motor carriers as they travel throughout Atlantic Canada.

Hours of Service Regulations:  
<http://www.gnb.ca/0062/regs/2007-39.htm>

## New conditions for oversize loads

New Brunswick has changed permitting conditions for oversize loads to allow some oversize loads to move at night on weekends and holidays. These changes will harmonize New Brunswick's policies for certain oversize loads with those in the other Atlantic Provinces.

The new conditions will apply to annual and quarterly oversize permits upon renewal and they will apply to single trip permits effective Nov. 19. Holders of existing quarterly and annual permits that wish to operate under the new conditions may request to have their permits renewed.

For more information about this policy change or other matters related to the trucking industry in New Brunswick, please consult the Department of Transportation's trucking services and information page below or contact the special permit office at (506) 453-2982.

<http://www.gnb.ca/0113/trucking/trucking-e.asp>

## Highway-railway crossings

### Safety Tips for professional truck drivers:

- Slow down by shifting to a lower gear (manual transmission) and test your brakes.
- Check for traffic behind you while stopping gradually.
- Turn on four-way flashers; leave on until traffic behind you has safely stopped.
- Stop no closer than five metres from the nearest rail.
- To better hear the train, roll down the window, turn off audio equipment and fans.
- While stopped, look carefully in each direction for approaching trains, moving head and eyes to see around obstructions such as mirrors and windshield pillars.
- When waiting for the train to pass, put on your emergency brakes so you won't move onto the track.
- Before resuming, make sure there is enough room on the other side of the track for the whole unit to clear the tracks, including your truck's overhang. Remember, the train will be a metre wider than the rails on both sides.
- Use a gear that will let you cross the tracks without shifting.
- Check the crossing signals one final time before proceeding.
- If the crossing lights begin to flash after starting over the tracks, **KEEP GOING**, it is safer to continue forward than to reverse.

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