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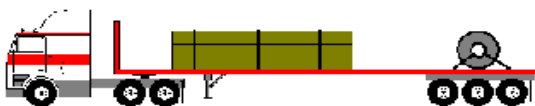
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NSC cargo securement standard



The North American Cargo Securement Standard is a Canada-US co-operative project jointly administered by the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA).

A standard which outlines the specific requirements for securing loads to commercial vehicles to ensure they do not shift, move or spill onto the roadway.
<http://www.ccmta.ca/english/committees/cra/cargo/cargo.cfm>

Have a question?

Send us an e-mail using our special e-mail address for truckers!



special.permits@gnb.ca

New special permits available

The Department of Transportation has created two new special permits available to the trucking industry:

LONG WHEELBASE TRUCK TRACTORS

A special permit will allow the use of truck tractors of model year 2003 and newer, with a wheelbase greater than 6.2 metres, but no greater than 7.2 metres, to operate with a semi-trailer, as long as the overall length of the vehicle combination does not exceed the current maximum length of 23 metres. Allowable combinations are shown in the table below.

Truck tractor wheelbase (m)	Maximum semi-trailer wheelbase (m)
6.2	12.5
6.3	12.5
6.4	12.4
6.5	12.3
6.6	12.3
6.7	12.2
6.8	12.1
6.9	12.1
7.0	12.0
7.1	11.9
7.2	11.9

DRY BULK COMMODITIES

A special permit is available to transport dry bulk commodities using a self-steering four-axle semi-trailer.

Dry bulk commodities are unpackaged, free-flowing dry solids that are loaded onto the trailer without being boxed, bagged or hand-stowed. Examples of dry bulk commodities include sand, gravel, potash, fertilizer, dry cement powder, and grains. The gross vehicle weight cannot exceed 55,500 kg, and the vehicle must be equipped with an onboard mechanism to determine the axle weights.

These vehicles meet the performance standards set by the Transportation Association of Canada and they will only be allowed to operate on major highways in the province rated for this weight.

For special permit applications please visit the following site or contact special permit office at (506) 453-2982.

https://www.pxw1.snb.ca/snb7001/e/2000/2006e_2.asp

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Did you know?

Did you know that there are three commercial driver/freight programs that will speed up your border crossings?



Program guides and applications are available at:

www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca - Select Publications / Guides and Brochures

E-Mail: CBSA-ASFC@canada.gc.ca

Phone: 1-800-461-9999

Phone: TTY 1- 866-335-3237

Highway cameras now online

The Department of Transportation is pleased to offer the traveling public access to its 26 highway cameras. These cameras are located next to the highway at specific locations across the province as part of the Department's Road Weather Information System (RWIS).

RWIS provides detailed roadside weather conditions and road surface temperature data.

A complete RWIS combines the roadside readings with standard meteorological data to provide precision road weather forecasts and pavement condition predictions.



The highway cameras on these stations are available online for the information of the travelling public at

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

Highway safety plan introduced

Don't drink and drive on New Brunswick highways: that's the message Public Safety Minister John Foran sent when he introduced amendments to the province's *Motor Vehicle Act* designed to get tough on those who drink and drive.

The changes to the legislation give police explicit authority to request a driver to stop and submit to a standard field sobriety test. Police will also have the authority to stop vehicles at random and to demand that a driver provide documentation.



The minister is also proposing a new 90-day licence suspension program. It would be in addition to the licence suspension resulting from an impaired driving conviction under the *Criminal Code of Canada*, and the 24-hour roadside suspension currently provided for under the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

As part of the government's highway safety plan, New Brunswickers are encouraged to wear their seatbelts. The changes to the act limit the number of passengers in a vehicle to the number of operating seat belts in the vehicle. Violating the new law could result in a fine of \$140 to \$570.

In addition to the limit on passengers, drivers not wearing their seat belts will suffer the loss of two demerit points on their driving record rather than the current one point loss.

As part of its effort to reduce speeding on New Brunswick highways, the minister also introduced legislation to double the fine for speeding in school and construction zones.

In introducing the package of *Motor Vehicle Act* amendments, the minister said, "By making these improvements to the *Motor Vehicle Act*, we will build a safer New Brunswick and help to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries due to vehicle crashes."