



SUBJECT: Long Combination Vehicles (LCV) Program Cargo Restrictions in BC

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PURPOSE OF CIRCULAR

To notify industry, owners and operators of Long Combination Vehicles (LCV) in BC that the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure are making amendments to the cargo restrictions for the LCV program.

BACKGROUND

As per the LCV Operating Conditions and Routes Form [CVSE1014](#) the **previous** BC restrictions on LCV cargo are as follows:

- Normal Freight Loads – No bulk liquids (excluding tote tanks between 500 – 1000 litres), no homogenous bulk commodities such as hay, wood chips, sawdust or hog fuel, no hanging/sawing loads such as meat. No bulk loads of logs, lumber, gravel, etc. No bulk loads of dangerous goods.

The **updated** amendments to the LCV cargo restrictions are:

- **A and C-Trains:**
 - Small livestock which includes pigs, sheep, goats, and poultry are allowed to be transported in the lead trailer only.
 - Large livestock including cattle, horses, bison etc. are not allowed in either trailer.
 - No bulk liquids (excluding tote tanks between 500 – 1300 litres).
 - No bulk loads of dangerous goods.
- **B-Trains:**
 - Small livestock which includes pigs, sheep, goats, and poultry are allowed to be transported in either or both trailers.
 - Large livestock including cattle, horses, bison etc. are not allowed in either trailer.
 - No bulk liquids (excluding tote tanks between 500 – 1300 litres).
 - No bulk loads of dangerous goods.

Note that some cargoes are necessarily excluded from most operation on LCV's because they reach maximum legal weight in smaller vehicle combinations, and that will continue to be the case. There is no weight increase under consideration for the LCV program.

Further to the updated Form CVSE1014 (attached) more detailed information for Long Combination Vehicles (LCV) can be found in [Chapter 5](#), section 5.3.6, of the online Commercial Transport Procedures Manual.

The British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure CVSE branch supports the safe and efficient movement of goods by the commercial transport sector. These changes are being implemented to continue to expand the types of goods that can be transported by these specialized, longer vehicle combinations, which are typically approved for operation on multi-lane highways in British Columbia.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact our Commercial Transport Program at commercial.transport@gov.bc.ca, or Jan Lansing, Manager of Commercial Transport at jan.lansing@gov.bc.ca.



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