

**COMPLIANCE CIRCULAR**

No. 1

January 25, 2001

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT POLICY FOR THE LOAD SECUREMENT OF SHORT LOGS ON FLAT DECK SEMI-TRAILERS

Registrar of Drivers and Vehicles
Managers, West Esplanade, ICBC
Chair, Motor Carrier Commission
Provincial Manager of Compliance
District Managers of Compliance
Managers, Licensing
Air Care

Managers, Government St, Victoria
Motor Vehicle Inspectors
ICBC Appointed Agencies
Motor Carrier Department
Law Enforcement Agencies
Commercial Transport Inspectors
(Weigh Scales)

Carrier Safety Inspectors
Government Agents
(Authorized)
Driver Examiners
Driver Services Centres
Regional Vice Presidents
Logging Industry
Associations

PURPOSE OF CIRCULAR:

To advise law enforcement officers and industry that British Columbia will accept load securement of two tiedowns with three proper bunks for short logs exceeding 7.5 metres long loaded on flatdeck semi-trailers.

BACKGROUND:

Compliance Circular No. 8 dated May 8, 2000, described an approved enforcement policy of two tiedowns with two proper bunks for the load securement of short logs up to 7.5 metres long loaded on flatdeck semi-trailers. It has come to our attention that short logs exceeding 7.5 metres long are transported on flatdeck semi-trailers or hayracks utilizing three proper bunks and two tiedowns.

The justification is similar to the rationale outlined in the Compliance Circular No. 8 and pursuant to Section 35.05 MVAR (exception for size), ICBC has adopted the following policy:

"Where short logs exceeding 7.5 metres long are loaded on flatdeck semi-trailers equipped with and utilizing three bunks (where no load encircling binders are used) the load must be secured by at least two tiedowns where the tiedowns meet the requirements of Section 35.12 MVAR."

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