

Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement (CVSE)

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Vehicle Inspections & Standards

NOTICE OF ADMENDMENT

Re: Trailer Inspection Exemption Order Amendments

This Notice of Amendment is an advisement that changes to the posted [Notice 07-12](#) Trailer Inspection Exemption Order will be effective **June 1, 2019**. Changes to this exemption may impact some commercial trailer owners or carriers regarding commercial vehicle inspection requirements.

The current Trailer Inspection Exemption Order exempts certain trailers from the inspection requirements defined in Motor Vehicle Act Regulation (MVAR) Division 25 based solely on the noted body style assigned by ICBC registration. To streamline inspection requirements and ensure consistency for commercial trailer inspections, the exemption based on body style (List "A") will be discontinued.

List "A" Trailer Body Styles:

Aerator	Bear Trap	Cement	Compressor	Concession
Conveyor	Crusher	Drill	Generator	Horse
Laboratory	Light Plant	Mixer	Mobile Machinery	Motorcycle
Mower	Office	Pipe	Pump	Rod ender
Roller	Snowmobile	Spreader	Sweeper	Tar kettle
Welder	Wood Splitter			

Under the *Commercial Transport Act*, the definition of commercial trailer excludes trailers with a gross vehicle weight (GVW) of less than 1401 kg. Regardless of body style, trailers under the 1401 GVW threshold are not considered commercial trailers and are not subject to commercial vehicle inspection. Trailers less than 1401 kg GVW will not be affected by this amendment.

Additionally, commercial trailers that are otherwise excluded from inspection under MVAR Division 25 will not be affected by this change. Trailers with ICBC insurance rate classes of 510 and 551 are also not affected and will remain exempt from inspection.

Following these revisions, trailers required to display a valid Certificate of Approval decal must either pass a provincial safety inspection at a Designated Inspection Facility or display a valid Temporary Operating Permit. Vehicle owners may apply through ICBC for a Temporary Operating Permit.

Trailer owners, operators or carriers potentially affected by the expected exemption changes are encouraged to review their registration and licensing documentation to avoid any delays at the time of their insurance renewal or to avoid any compliance violations while operation on highway.

Regards,



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