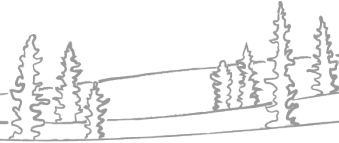




Commercial Driver Winter Road Safety

The Department of Infrastructure's #1 priority is safety on the NWT winter highway system



Hours of Service Regulation in the NWT differ from those in other parts of Canada. Any National Safety Code (NSC) vehicle operating on a seasonal highway greater than 20 km in length is considered a winter road resupply vehicle in the NWT. A winter road resupply vehicle is allowed to accumulate 105 hours of on-duty time in 7 day period. A Driver of a winter road resupply vehicle must take at least 8 consecutive hours of off-duty time in each 24-hour period beginning at midnight on the day the driver drives. For further assistance on the Hours of Service Regulation please call the Enterprise Weigh Scale at 1-867-984-3341.

1. Large Vehicle Control Regulations, Motor Vehicle Equipment Regulations, Seasonal Highway Regulations and the Hours of Service Regulations along with others can be found on the website under the Motor Vehicle Act. For more information please visit: www.justice.gov.nt.ca
2. Tire chains must be carried on vehicles with a GVW >4500 kg. Tire chains must be used as directed at the Wrigley chain up area. Tire chains must be used on the winter road system north of Wrigley.
3. Only tractor/trailer combinations consisting of one articulation point are permitted (no more than one trailer and connection point).
4. All non-NWT Carriers must purchase a registration and a Single Trip Permit.

NWT Carriers must have valid registration and may be subject to a Single Trip Permit. Over dimension permits are required on vehicles that exceed 3.2m in width, 4.2m in height. Additional conditions may be placed on the permit. All conditions must be followed.

5. Permits can be purchased through idmv.ca online services.
6. All large commercial vehicles are asked to call out direction of travel at each bridge and hill on LADD 1.
7. Check the Highways Conditions Map before travelling: www.inf.gov.nt.ca
8. Before you leave, tell someone your travel plans – when you're leaving, what route you'll be taking and when you plan on arriving and when you arrived.
9. Prepare a winter travel kit with warm clothing, candles and or flashlight, matches, sleeping bags or blankets, first aid kit, pocket knife, canned nuts, energy snack bars, a brightly coloured cloth to use as a flag, small shovel, sand and a tow strap.
10. Make sure that every passenger in the vehicle has warm winter clothes available.
11. Drivers are to check their tires, load securement and clear their lights as often as practical.