



FARM PRODUCT AND SOLID WASTE 10 PERCENT WEIGHT EXEMPTION
PERMIT POLICY
NDHP Motor Carrier Operations
Ref: 9-10 (7/2009)

PURPOSE

To establish guidelines when 10 percent extra weight permits can be issued to expedite the first haul of farm products during harvest and for the collection and transport of solid waste, sugar beets, and potatoes.

POLICY STATEMENT

As authorized by section 39-12-05.3 NDCC, the NDDOT Director may grant the NDHP authority to issue 10 percent weight exemption permits for the collection and transport of solid waste and for the movement of farm products from the field to the initial point of storage. (Solid waste, potatoes, and sugar beets may be collected and transported from any location.) **Dates of movement will be July 15 through November 30.**

The following procedures outline the requirements and methods for issuing permits for movement with the 10 percent extra weight permits.

PROCEDURE

A. Permit Requirements

1. Permit must be in possession prior to starting any movement. The permit shall contain restrictions as deemed necessary by the NDHP and NDDOT. Permits may be revoked by the NDHP when the holder violates or abuses any privilege or conditions of a permit.

B. Axle Weight Limitations

1. Tire weight may not exceed 605 pounds (550 lbs. plus 10 percent) per inch width of tire.
 - a. Example:
 - 1) 8:25 tires on a steering axle = 9,983 lbs.
 - 2) 9:00 tires on a steering axle = 10,890 lbs.
 - 3) 10:00 tires on a steering axle = 12,100 lbs.
2. Single axle weight (4 tires) may not exceed 22,000 pounds (20,000 lbs. plus 10 percent).
 - a. Example:
 - 1) 8:25 tires = 18,150 lbs. plus 10 percent = 19,965 lbs.
 - 2) 9:00 tires = 19,800 lbs. plus 10 percent = 21,780 lbs.
 - 3) 10:00 tires = 20,000 lbs. plus 10 percent = 22,000 lbs.
3. Tandem axle weight (8 tires) may not exceed 37,400 pounds (34,000 lbs. plus 10 percent – not to exceed 19,000 lbs. per axle).
 - a. Example:
 - 1) 7:50 tires = 33,000 lbs. plus 10 percent = 36,300 lbs.
 - 2) Tires that are 8:00 or larger qualify for 37,400 lbs.
4. Triple axle weight (12 tires) may not exceed 52,800 pounds (48,000 lbs. plus 10 percent – not to exceed 19,000 lbs. per axle).

C. Gross Vehicle Weight Limitations

1. Gross vehicle weights are determined by the number of axles and measurement between the extreme axle centers.
 - a. Example:
 - 1) 3 axles x 16 feet = 48,000 lbs. plus 10 percent = 52,800 lbs.
 - 2) 4 axles x 22 feet = 56,500 lbs. plus 10 percent = 62,150 lbs.

- 3) 5 axles x 48 feet = 78,000 lbs. plus 10 percent = 85,800 lbs.
- 4) 5 axles x 51 feet = 80,000 lbs. plus 10 percent = 88,000 lbs.
- b. Vehicle combinations of six or more axles also qualify for the 10 percent additional weight as determined by the Weight Limitations Chart but **may not exceed 105,500 pounds.**

D. Travel Restrictions

1. Federal law **does not** allow the 10 percent extra weight on the **interstate system.**
2. On state highways posted for 80,000 pounds gross vehicle weight, the gross vehicle weight may not exceed 88,000 pounds.
3. On some **sections** of state highways, it **may** be necessary to restrict axle weights to **legal weights** due to bridge structure limitations.
4. The 10 percent weight increase **will not** apply on county and other local roads unless county and local authorities grant the weight exemption for roads under their jurisdiction.
5. The 10 percent extra weight **cannot** be used in conjunction with the equipment approval policy. The 10 percent can be issued above **legal** weights only.

E. Registration Requirement

1. The registered gross weight does not have to include the additional 10 percent. The vehicle must be registered for the **maximum legal gross vehicle weight.**

F. Application Procedure

1. The permit shall be issued on Official Receipt/Permit, SFN 3507.
2. The fee for the 10 percent weight exemption permit is \$50 per vehicle for each 30-day period.
3. The fee for a combination harvest/winter 10 percent weight exemption permit is \$250 per vehicle.
 - a. The permit is valid July 15 through March 7.
 - b. Harvest rules are applicable July 15 through November 30.
4. A 10 percent weight exemption permit may be obtained online at www.nd.gov/ndhp, from the Highway Patrol permit section, at a weigh/inspection station, or from a highway patrol trooper.
 - a. The receipt/permit will show the vehicle year, make, serial number (minimum of last 8 digits), license number and state, and ND registered GVW.
 - 1) Show axle weights, bridge length, and number of axles (optional).
 - 2) Permit is "valid for 10% over legal weights."
5. The Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) Statement of License Application (SFN 16696) must be completed for each vehicle that a 10 percent weight exemption permit is purchased for.
 - a. The MVD Statement of License Application (SFN 16696) is to be displayed in the lower left corner of the windshield to show proof of payment.
6. When a company has more than one vehicle with the **same** expiration date, one Official Receipt/Permit (SFN 3507) may be issued for the total MVD Statement of License Applications issued.
 - a. The Official Receipt/Permit must contain the following information in the "Remarks Section":
 - 1) Vehicle – year and make
 - 2) License number
 - 3) Serial number
 - b. Permit is "valid for 10 percent over legal weights."
 - c. A copy of the Official Receipt/Permit must be carried in each vehicle listed in the "Remarks Section" when exceeding legal weight limits.

7. Sample Statement of License Application

STATEMENT OF LICENSE APPLICATION
NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION
SFN 16696 (Rev. 10-98)

MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION
ND DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION
608 EAST BOULEVARD AVENUE
BISMARCK, ND 58505-0780
(701) 328-2725

10%

I certify that on this 22 day of August, 2009,
[redacted] of Bismarck ND has made proper
application for the year _____ for the following vehicle:

Year <u>2003</u>	Make <u>Kenworth</u>	Model [redacted]
Vehicle Identification Number [redacted]		Plate Number or Validation <u>703400</u>

The required fee will be remitted to the Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Transportation, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

Applicant's Signature
X

Name of Officer or Motor Vehicle Employee
Officer

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For use only by Highway Patrol and Department of Transportation

Display this in your vehicle. Good for only 30 days from date. (Section 39-04-17 NDCC)

Mount here and attach to window