



## STARLAND COUNTY POLICY MANUAL

**FUNCTION:** Roads and Streets  
**FUNCTION NUMBER:** 320  
**POLICY:** Annual Overweight Permit (Agricultural)  
**POLICY NUMBER:** 320-14  
**DATE:** August 09, 2006

**BACKGROUND:** Starland County has several light oiled local roads that are annually banned at the 75% level. While the local banning is effective in limiting heavy loads on these light service roads, some farms are isolated within the road ban area, and they don't have alternative route for movement of agricultural goods, chemicals or equipment.

**POLICY:** Starland County Council will authorize farms on these light service roadways to obtain an annual permit to allow for the free movement of agricultural goods on these banned surfaces. The permits are issued subject to the following conditions:

1. Permit should be carried with the driver, and proof of contract must be provided upon request. The issuer of the permit will also provide a copy of the permit to the Starland County Special Constable so he is familiar with the permit conditions.
2. Permit holder may use no more than 5 continuous miles of banned roadway at any one location. This permit has been issued to facilitate access to and from farm and field and the shortest route to the nearest road at a lessor ban must be used if that distance is less than 5 miles. If weather conditions dictate that a backroad or other accessible route is not a viable option, the permit holder can continue to use the banned surface for up to 5 miles or until he accesses the nearest all-weather graveled road.
3. The Permit is only valid for the ban season within the year of issue.
4. The issuance of this permit does not negate the permit holders liability if the roadway is damaged as a result of travel not in compliance with this permit.
5. The vehicle weights applied are as per Alberta Regulation 315/2002 and are attached to the permit provided.

**FEES / AUTHORIZATION:** The Annual Overweight Permit for Agriculture is issued by the County at no charge, and can be authorized by the Chief Administrative Officer, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Manager of Municipal Services or Public Works Supervisor.

**POLICY AMENDMENT:**

August 09, 2006 – Draft Reviewed by Council

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