

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.

6. The applicant must authorize the Community Peace Officer access to review hauling records such that the County can ensure policy compliance.

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, Public Works Supervisor or Starland County's Community Peace Officer.

POLICY AMENDMENT:

August 09, 2006 – Draft Reviewed by Council

August 22, 2006 – Policy Approved by Council

April 25, 2012 - Policy Amended by Council (C12-086)

Starland County Annual Overweight Permit



Landowner: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Legal Location: X.X. ¼ XX-XX-XX W.4 M.

Address: P.O. Box XXX
XXXXXX, Alberta
T0J XXX

Permit Authorization: This permit is to allow the permit holder to haul feed, seed, grain, livestock, fertilizer, agricultural commodities, hay or straw on a roadway under the authority of Starland County at legal axle weights on roadways banned at a 90% axle weight loading and at 90% axle weights on roadways banned at the 75% ban level as per Alberta Regulation 315/2002..

Route to be taken: From yard site to nearest accessible back road or gravel road

Reason for Applying for the Permit: Lack of alternative route from farmstead.

Date of Hauling: Annual Permit Issued for XXXX

Date of Application: XXXXXXXX XX, XXXX

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Approved by:

XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Note: Any deviance from the provisions authorized herein will render the permit invalid.

Part 2
Commercial Vehicle Weights (Alberta Regulation 315/2002)

Maximum weight

9(1) Subject to section 62 of the Act and section 12(1) of this Regulation, no person shall operate a commercial vehicle on a highway when

- (a) the gross weight on a tire exceeds the smallest of the following:
 - (i) 3650 kilograms;
 - (ii) the capacity determined by multiplying the cross section dimension of the tire in millimetres, as determined by the manufacturer's width shown on the tire, by 10 kilograms;
 - (iii) the rated capacity of the tire as stamped on the tire by the manufacturer;
- (b) the gross weight on
 - (i) a steering axle exceeds
 - (A) in the case of a truck tractor, 5500 kilograms;
 - (B) in the case of a truck, bus, picker truck, bed truck or winch truck, 7300 kilograms;
 - (ii) a twin steer exceeds 13 600 kilograms;
 - (iii) any other steering axle group exceeds 5500 kilograms;
- (c) in the case of a vehicle having a gross weight in excess of 11 800 kilograms, the interaxle spacing
 - (i) from a steering axle to an adjacent axle group is less than 3 metres;
 - (ii) from a twin steer or any other steering axle group to an adjacent axle group exceeds 5 metres;
- (d) the gross weight on a single carrying axle or any axle within an axle group exceeds 9100 kilograms;
- (e) in the case of a vehicle having a tandem axle group or any 2 adjacent axles within an axle group
 - (i) with 8 or more tires, the gross weight on the axle group or axles exceeds 17 000 kilograms;
 - (ii) with fewer than 8 tires, the gross weight on the axle group or axles exceeds 13 600 kilograms;
- (f) in the case of a vehicle having a tridem axle group
 - (i) with 12 or more tires on a primary highway or secondary road, the gross weight on the axle group
 - (A) exceeds 24 000 kilograms, if the axle spread is 3.0 metres or more, but not more than 3.7 metres;
 - (B) exceeds 21 000 kilograms, if the axle spread is 2.4 metres or more, but less than 3.0 metres;
 - (ii) on a local road, the gross weight on the axle group exceeds 17 000 kilograms;
 - (iii) with fewer than 12 tires, the gross weight on the axle group exceeds 19 000 kilograms;
- (g) the gross weight on a quantum axle group exceeds
 - (i) 9100 kilograms for a quantum axle group consisting of 2 axles;
 - (ii) 17 000 kilograms for a quantum axle group consisting of 3 or more axles with 12 or more tires;
 - (iii) 15 000 kilograms for a quantum axle group consisting of 3 or more axles with fewer than 12 tires;
- (h) the sum of the gross weight for 2 axle groups exceeds
 - (i) the sum of the maximum permitted gross axle group weight when the interaxle spacing is equal to or greater than the minimum specified in subsection (2);
 - (ii) the sum of the maximum permitted gross axle group weight, minus 500 kilograms for every 0.1 metre or portion thereof that the interaxle spacing is less than the minimum specified in subsection (2);
 - (iii) 23 000 kilograms in the case of the axles on the lead trailer and the converter dolly axle of an A-train or C-train when the interaxle spacing is less than 3.0 metres;

- (i) the sum of the gross weight on the axle or axle groups in the full trailer of
 - (i) an A-train or C-train exceeds the sum of weight of the truck tractor drive axle group and the lead trailer axle or axle group;
 - (ii) a truck and full trailer combination exceeds 31 000 kilograms;
 - (j) in the case of a bus with 2 rear axles, the gross weight on the single tired axle exceeds 6000 kilograms and the gross weight on the dual tired axle exceeds 9100 kilograms;
 - (k) the maximum gross weight of the vehicle exceeds
 - (i) the sum of the maximum permitted gross axle weights;
 - (ii) in the case of a truck and full trailer combination, 55 300 kilograms;
 - (iii) in the case of an A-train, 53 500 kilograms;
 - (iv) in the case of a B-train, 63 500 kilograms;
 - (v) in the case of a C-train, 60 500 kilograms;
 - (vi) in the case of a jeep logger, 56 500 kilograms;
 - (vii) in the case of any other vehicle or combination of vehicles, 53 500 kilograms;
 - (viii) 53 500 kilograms when operating on a local road.
- (2) The minimum interaxle spacing for the purposes of subsection (1)(h) is
- (a) 3 metres for 2 single axle groups;
 - (b) 3 metres for a single axle group and a tandem axle group;
 - (c) 3 metres for a single axle group and a tridem axle group;
 - (d) 5 metres for 2 tandem axle groups;
 - (e) 5.5 metres for 2 tridem axle groups;
 - (f) 5.5 metres for a tandem axle group and a tridem axle group;
 - (g) 5.5 metres for a quantum axle group and any other axle group.
- (3) No person shall operate self-propelled equipment on a highway when the gross weight on an axle exceeds 11 000 kilograms or the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds 22 000 kilograms.

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