

RECONCILIATION AGREEMENT ON WEIGHT ALLOWANCES FOR WIDE BASE SINGLE TIRES

Whereas the Governments of British Columbia (BC), Alberta (AB), Saskatchewan (SK), Manitoba (MB), Ontario (ON), Quebec (QC), New Brunswick (NB), Nova Scotia (NS), Prince Edward Island (PE), Newfoundland and Labrador (NL), Yukon Territory (YT), Northwest Territories (NT), and Canada (CA) resolve to:

PROMOTE an open, efficient, and stable domestic market for long-term job creation, economic growth, and stability; and

REDUCE AND ELIMINATE, to the extent possible, barriers to the free movement of persons, goods, services, and investments within Canada.

And whereas the Governments of BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, NB, NS, PE, NL, YT, NT, and CA:

RECOGNIZE that weight limit parity between dual tires and wide base single (WBS) tires for trucking has not been established in all jurisdictions, and that different weight allowances for WBS tires and dual tires within a jurisdiction reduce the potential for carriers to maximize efficiencies; and

ACKNOWLEDGE that regulations or other measures (e.g. special permit authorities), as required, could provide the same weight limits for dual tires and WBS tires, on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in Canada, consistent with the provisions of each jurisdiction’s designated highway system. This would allow carriers to travel with the same weight on WBS tires as duals on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in Canada.

Therefore, the Governments of BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, NB, PE, NS, NL, YT, NT, and CA commit to:

- Amend the *Memorandum of Understanding Respecting a Federal-Provincial-Territorial Agreement on Vehicle Weights and Dimensions* (the MOU) so as to allow the same weight limits for dual tires and WBS tires on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in Canada, through regulations or other measures (e.g. special permit authorities), and consistent with the provisions of each jurisdiction’s designated highway system, as specified in Appendix B, and subject to the exceptions in Appendix D of the MOU;
- Table the amended MOU for the approval of federal, provincial and territorial (F/P/T) Ministers of Transportation in January 2019; and
- Pending the approval of the F/P/T Ministers of Transportation, allow the same weight limits for dual tires and WBS tires on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in their jurisdiction, through regulations or other measures (e.g. special permit authorities), by the end of 2021.

1. Regulation or measure that will achieve reconciliation

Jurisdiction	Regulation or Measure
BC	Allow by general authority until Section 7.25 of the <i>Commercial Transport Regulations</i> may be amended.
AB	Allow by permit until <i>Commercial Vehicle Dimension and Weight Regulation</i> under the <i>Traffic Safety Act</i> can be amended.
SK	Allow by permit until the <i>Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations</i> can be amended.
MB	Regulatory amendments to The Vehicle Weights and Dimensions on Classes of

	Highways Regulations, MR 155/2018 have been completed.
ON	Legislative amendments to the <i>Ontario Highway Traffic Act</i> , and subsequent regulatory amendment to O.Reg. 413/05, <i>Vehicle Weights and Dimensions for Safe, Productive, Infrastructure-Friendly Vehicles</i> have been completed.
QC	Amendments were previously made to the <i>Vehicle Load and Size Limits Regulation</i> to address weight limits for the two most common sizes of Wide Base Single Tires - 445/50R22.5 and 455/55R22.5. A further regulatory amendment will be required to adopt the agreement to generalize the weight limit for single tires with widths of 445 mm and greater.
NB	Special permits are available pending amendment of Regulation 2001-67 under the <i>Motor Vehicle Act</i> .
PE	Special permits currently available pending a regulatory amendment to be introduced to the Roads Act, Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Regulations .
NS	Special permits are available pending amendment of the <i>Weights and Dimensions of Vehicles Regulations</i> made under <i>Section 191 of the Motor Vehicle Act</i> .
NL	Special permits will be made available.
YT	Special permits will be made available.
NT	Special permits are available.
CA	No action required.

2. The obligations to achieve reconciliation

The required regulations or other measures (e.g. special permit authorities) across the relevant jurisdictions will provide the same weight limits for dual tires and WBS tires on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in Canada, according to the provisions of each jurisdiction’s designated highway system and consistent with municipal requirements.

3. The extent to which the reconciliation agreement addressed the barrier identified

Actions outlined in item 2 (above) will resolve existing barriers to the use of WBS tires within relevant jurisdictions. These actions will establish parity between weight limits for WBS tires and axles with dual tires, through regulation or other measures (e.g. special permit authorities), on the highways identified in Appendix B of the MOU in Canada, according to the provisions of each jurisdiction’s designated highway system, and consistent with municipal requirements.

4. Timeline for implementation

Regulations or measures noted in section 1 (above) will be implemented by the end of 2021.

5. Process to address changes in circumstances

If a change in circumstance occurs whereby the Government of BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, NB, PE, NS, NL, YT, NT or CA do not allow the same weight limits for dual tires and WBS tires through regulation or other measure, the relevant Government shall provide notice to the RCT including: (a) a description of the circumstance, (b) the impact on this reconciliation agreement, and (c) the measure(s) being considered to address the impact.

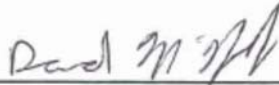
6. Exceptions

No jurisdictions have taken an exception to this reconciliation agreement.

7. Signatures

This reconciliation agreement is approved by each jurisdiction.

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Government of Ontario


Minister of Transportation

Gouvernement du Québec


Ministre des Transports 2020-03-12


Ministre responsable des Relations canadiennes et de la Francophonie
canadienne 2020-03-12


Government of Nova Scotia


Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal

Government of New Brunswick



Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Government of British Columbia



Deputy Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Government of Manitoba



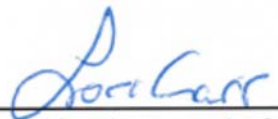
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Government of Prince Edward Island



Minister of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy

Government of Saskatchewan



Minister of Highways and Infrastructure

Government of Alberta



Minister of Transportation

Pursuant to the *Government Organization Act*

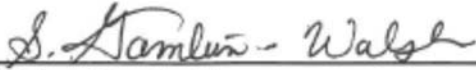
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Date Intergovernmental Relations, Executive Council

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

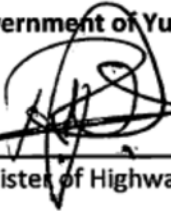


Minister for Intergovernmental and Indigenous Affairs



Minister of Service NL

Government of Yukon



Minister of Highways and Public Works

Government of Northwest Territories



Minister of Infrastructure