

COMPLIANCE CIRCULAR

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## SUBJECT: Provincial Inspection Allowance for Over-dimensional Commercial Trailers

## BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Motor Vehicle Act Regulation Division 25, commercial trailers must pass a complete provincial mechanical safety inspection annually. Additional inspection program requirements mandate that vehicle inspections, including trailers, must be conducted inside designated facility (DIF) locations. Some commercial trailers, such as those designed to haul extraordinary loads or those with fixed equipment, may exceed the dimensions found in the Commercial Transport Act Regulations.

## INTENT

Over dimensional trailers that require a provincial mechanical safety inspection **AND** that operate under the allowance of a single trip or term oversize permit may be inspected on the premises or property of a DIF location.

## **APPLICATION**

Oversize commercial trailer mechanical safety inspections may be conducted on the premises or property of a DIF location subject to the following conditions;

- 1. the DIF must be licensed to inspect commercial trailers and have all required component endorsements for the trailer equipment;
- 2. inspections must be performed by an authorized Inspector employed by the DIF;
- 3. inspections must only be conducted:
  - a. during daylight hours; and
  - b. on clear and dry days that are subject to no inclement weather conditions;
- 4. all required tools for the inspection must be accessible and available; and
- 5. inspected trailers must meet all standards contained in the applicable Vehicle Inspection Manual sections prior to being issued a certificate of approval decal.

This allowance only applies when an oversized commercial trailer is unable to fit within the DIF locations approved building structure.

Should any further information be required, please contact the Vehicle Inspection Program, at 778-974-5458

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