

**SUBJECT: Division 8 Commercial Transport Act Regulations – Pilot Car Signs**

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Motor Vehicle Inspectors	Government Agents	MOT (Director, Chair
Passenger Transportation Board	Appointed Agents	Transportation Policy)
Deputy Director, CVSE	Trucking Industry	Supt of Motor Vehicles
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Managers, Licensing	Commercial Transport Insp.	
ADM (Compliance and Consumer	(Inspection Stations)	
Services)	Passenger Transportation Branch	

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**PURPOSE OF CIRCULAR**

To advise that as of November 24, 2008, BC is allowing pilot cars to operate with smaller lettering on "Oversize", "Wide Load" or "Long Load" signs. BC will allow pilot cars to operate using these signs with lettering to a minimum size of 20 cm in height and 3 cm in stroke.

**BACKGROUND**

Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement has received multiple requests from the pilot car industry to review the requirements to have the minimum lettering on "Wide Load", "Long Load" and "Oversize Load" signs reduced from the current legislated sizes as stated in CTAR 8.04(2)(b) [Pilot Car] to be consistent with the CTAR 8.03(1)(a)(iii) [Transport Vehicle].

CVSE has reviewed these requests and is willing to temporarily exempt pilot cars from CTAR 8.04(2)(b) provided they comply with the requirements of CTAR 8.03(1)(a)(iii), in order to have the signs retro-fitted or replaced with compliant signs.

This temporary exemption will expire June 30, 2009. No other exemption is expressed or implied with respect to the *Commercial Transport Act and Regulations*.

This exemption is authorized pursuant to the general authority granted to the Director of Commercial Vehicle Safety under Section 7.02 (1) of the British Columbia Commercial Transport Regulations.



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