



MEMBER BULLETIN

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MTO to Resume Axle Weight Enforcement on August 1

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) will be resuming its enforcement of axle weight limits for any vehicle or vehicle combinations that are designed for dumping aggregate, asphalt, or excavated materials, or any mixture of these materials, on August 1, 2016. Enforcement has been suspended for the excavation industry since January of 2014, while the MTO reviewed issues with the set limits for axle weights and gross vehicle weights (GVW).

The MTO has been re-phasing in its enforcement of weight limits since September of 2015, when warnings were being issued for axle weight violations 1000kg in excess of prescribed limits and charges were being issued only when GVW was 2000+kg in excess of the set limits.

Beginning August 2nd, Phase 2 of the re-implementation is set to occur.

- **Warnings** will be issued for axle weight limit violations of 500kg in excess of prescribed limits, and for GVW violations of 500kg in excess of prescribed limits for a straight truck and 1000kg for any vehicle combination.
- **Charges** will be issued for axle weight limit violations 1000kg in excess of prescribed limits for single axle, 1500 kg for two axles, and 2000kg for three+ axles; and, for GVW violations of 1000kg in excess of prescribed limits for a straight truck and 1500kg for any vehicle combination.
- **Trucks being detained for correction** for axle weight limit violations 1500kg in excess of prescribed limits for single axle, 2000kg for two axles, and 2500kg for three+ axles; and, for GVW violations of 1500kg in excess of prescribed limits for single axle, 2000kg for two axles, and 2500kg for three+ axles.

Phase 3 will begin on April 1, 2017, when the enforcement of all axle weight and GVW limits under the Highway Traffic Act will be restored.

If you have any questions about this issue, please contact Patrick McManus (patrick.mcmanus@oswca.org or 905-629-7766 ext. 222).