

TAC Permit

Tridem (3) axle permit for local roads

What is it? Do I need it? How do I get it?

Background

The Traffic Safety Act, Revised Statute of Alberta 2000 Chapter T-6, with its amendments, is the current Provincial Legislation governing the movement of traffic on roads in the Province. The Commercial Vehicle Dimension and Weight Regulation, Alberta Regulation 315/2002, is as the title describes, the Regulation under the Act that controls the weights and dimensions of commercial vehicles using the provincial road network.

The Regulation specifies weight allowances under factors such as number of tires, tire size, axle type, axle group, the space between axles in an axle group, total vehicle, and road type. The weight allowances for every configuration are too numerous to list here so this focuses on the factor – road type.

In Part 2 of the Regulation, Section 9(1)(f), tridem (3) axle group weights are specified. Sentence (ii) states “**on local roads**, the gross weight on the axle group exceeds 17 000 kilograms;” 17 000 kilograms is the maximum weight allowance for a tridem axle group on local roads and tandem (2) axle groups on all roads as specified in subsection (e). The following is an excerpt from the Commercial Vehicle Dimension and Weight Regulation, Alberta Regulation 315/2002.

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...

(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;

What Is A TAC Permit?

Law makers realize that there needs to be provisions in place for loads that cannot get under the regulated maximums. Overweight loads that cannot be reduced or shuffled still need to be able to be moved. The Province has a permitting system in place that accommodates such loads.

A TAC permit is specific to tridem axles on local roads. The TAC permit allows the permit holder to haul “highway weights” on local roads.

Do I Need A TAC Permit?

If you wish to carry more than 17 000 kilograms on any tridem axle group in your configuration on local roads, you need a permit; no matter if the group is a drive or carrying group. This includes the tridem axle group in the middle of a supper B.

How Do I Get A TAC Permit?

All basic permits are processed through an automated permit system (TRAVIS). Carriers have the option of entering their permit applications directly on TRAVIS using the Web or using a TRAVIS Agent to input the permit application data. Agents are accessible by phone or fax. TRAVIS Agent contact list is attached.

For more information, contact the Central Permitting Office at 1-800-662-7138

TRAVIS Web: www.travis2.gov.ab.ca

Note: To use the web, you have to be registered

To register, click the menu item “Register” along the left side of the page.

Additional information on Alberta’s road network can be found at
www.transportation.alberta.ca

TRAVIS Agents

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	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Fax</u>	<u>Hours of Operation</u>
24/7 Permitting Ltd. (Coutts)	866-795-4325 (North America)	1-877-795-4405	Mon to Fri 24 hours a day Saturday 24 hours a day Sunday 24 hours a day
A Plus Registry (Calgary)	403-288-3333	403-288-0391	Mon to Fri 8:00 am to 7:00 pm Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
AB Permit Services (Edmonton)	877-551-4555 (North America)	780-469-6815	Mon to Fri 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Airdrie Registries (Airdrie)	403-948-5664 866-858-5623 (North America)	403-948-2658	Mon to Fri 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Cantex Ins. & Registries Ltd. (Hinton)	800-661-0380 (Alberta)	780-865-4611	Mon to Fri 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
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One Stop Licence Shop Ltd. (Red Deer)	403-341-7867	403-341-3299	Mon to Fri 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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Province & State Permitting (Red Deer)	403-347-4095	403-347-7095	Mon to Sun 6:30 am to 6:00 pm
RoaData Services (Red Deer)	888-444-9288 (North America)	403-356-0348	Mon to Sun 6:30 am to 8:00 p.m. After hours available for additional fee
Those Trucking' Permits (Lacombe)	877-425-6666 (North America)	888-309-7315	Mon to Fri 6:00 am to 10:00 pm Saturday 7:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
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