

## Chapter MVD 3

## RECIPROCITY—NONRESIDENT MOTOR CARRIERS

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**MVD 3.01 Applicability.** A nonresident motor carrier shall not operate a foreign licensed motor truck, road tractor, truck tractor or motor bus on the highways of Wisconsin without complying with the provisions of this order, except for motor vehicles qualifying under the following exemptions:

(1) Foreign owned or operated vehicles entering Wisconsin to have special equipment or a body constructed or installed or for repair.

(2) Vehicles which are operated under a plan of operation approved by the division of motor vehicles of the department of transportation.

(3) Motor vehicles being towed under the provisions of section 341.05 (15) Wis. Stats.

**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1967, No. 142, eff. 11-1-67.

**MVD 3.02 Gross vehicle weight for obtaining reciprocity permits.**

(1) Nonresidents from states and provinces requiring Wisconsin residents to obtain reciprocity permits for vehicles in excess of a specified minimum gross weight shall obtain Wisconsin blanket fleet reciprocity authorization for vehicles to be operated on Wisconsin highways in excess of the same gross weight as provided in such state or province.

(2) Nonresidents of states and provinces with a reciprocity agreement with Wisconsin which prescribes the minimum gross vehicle weight at which a tax or registration fee is assessed, shall obtain applicable Wisconsin registration for vehicles to be operated on Wisconsin highways in excess of the gross weight prescribed in the reciprocal agreement.

(3) Vehicles operated in interstate commerce by other nonresident motor carriers shall be exempt from required Wisconsin registration only if the gross vehicle weight is less than 12,000 pounds and the vehicles are properly registered in the other jurisdiction.

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**MVD 3.03 Blanket fleet reciprocity authorization for nonresident motor carriers.** (1) Nonresidents shall apply for blanket fleet reciprocity authorization upon an application prescribed by the division.

(2) Private carriers who lease vehicles must comply with chapter MVD 12 and such provisions of chapter 194.01 (15) as are applicable to claim private carrier operations.

(3) For hire, rental and charter operators must have an approved blanket motor carrier certificate of insurance on file and in effect with the division before application is accepted for a blanket fleet reciprocity authorization.

(4) For hire carriers must have proper operating authority issued by the Wisconsin public service commission, as specified in chapter 194, Wis. Stats.

(5) All carriers must comply with other applicable motor transportation requirements.

(6) Upon receipt of a properly completed application form and upon being satisfied that the applicant is entitled to reciprocal privileges, the division shall issue to the applicant a blanket fleet reciprocity authorization covering vehicles which are properly registered, in accordance with the reciprocal agreement in effect. Applications for blanket reciprocity authorization may be obtained from the Division of Motor Vehicles of the Department of Transportation.

(7) Upon being issued a blanket fleet reciprocity authorization, the original shall be retained in the permittee's office.

(8) A legible copy of the authorization must be displayed in the cab of each motor truck, road tractor, truck tractor or motor bus to be operated on Wisconsin highways.

(9) The reciprocity authorization becomes void if the carrier changes residency to a different state than is shown on the authorization, (where the vehicles are licensed), fails to maintain the requirements which are a prerequisite to obtaining the authorization, or if reciprocity between this state and the other jurisdiction ceases to exist.

(10) The original blanket fleet reciprocity authorization must be returned to the division for cancellation if the carrier becomes ineligible for reciprocity privileges or if the authorization becomes void and all copies of the authorization must be removed from the vehicles and destroyed.

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**MVD 3.04 Trip permits for nonresident motor carriers.** (1) When a trip permit is authorized under a reciprocal agreement with another state or province, the regulations specified in the reciprocal agreement shall govern. Residents of other jurisdictions may purchase trip permits prior to operation authorizing interstate travel on Wisconsin highways for a 72-hour period for a fee of \$10.

(2) Upon proper application, the division shall issue the trip permit which is to be completed in triplicate by the carrier prior to operation for the road tractor, truck, truck tractor or motor bus involved. Such permit is to be typewritten with no erasures, authorizing operation for a 72-hour period from the time the vehicle first enters Wisconsin.

(3) Original trip permit is to be carried in the vehicle with one copy retained by carrier and one copy mailed to the Division of Motor Vehicles of the Department of Transportation prior to operation.

(4) Trip permits are not transferrable and can be used only by the carrier to whom the permit is issued.

(5) Trip permits authorize interstate operation without display of a blanket fleet reciprocity authorization or a prorate, tax or base license plate. All other motor transportation requirements must be complied with.

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**MVD 3.05 Penalties.** Vehicles which are not in compliance with any provisions of chapter MVD 3 shall be subject to the penalties provided by section 341.04, Wis. Stats.

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